RESTAURANT REVIEW

It's PERI-licious

In today's bustling city of Dhaka, with new food joints opening up on every corner of the streets, it takes a good amount of effort to decide upon a decent eatery. The struggle is real! And so is the competition amongst the numerous restaurants. The question is, which ones are worth spending your valuable time and money on?

Lucky for us, and our taste-buds, this busy city has a South African food chain



with original African spices to knock our taste buds out of the park. Nando's is no stranger to the people who not only love to eat but also to explore. Reason number one to visit Nando's is, without a doubt, its PERi PERi good chicken, or in other words, the soul of the restaurant. These delicious chicken, marinated overnight to let the flavours really seep in are not deep fried but butterfly-grilled with the skin removed.

From the moment you step into one of their outlets until the moment you leave, one

cannot miss the delightful decor and vibrancy - as if one is transported to South Africa. Upon entering, one will also come across numerous framed quotations hung on the walls, along with artworks and showpieces, inspired by the Afro-Portuguese heritage.

Another thing that you simply cannot fail to appreciate is the original Afro-Luso tune streamed directly from stations in South Africa, something to make you sway along. They say the food does not taste as good without the groove; rest assured it definitely feels and tastes better with it!

"Mi casa es su casa", which translates into 'my house is your house' is what Nando's is all about. It showcases the homely atmosphere or culture which Nando's promotes. They prize this tradition of theirs through their Nandocas - the people who work at their establishment. They firmly believe friendliness increases connection between the Nandocas and the customers which overall leads to a better, warmer and mellower Nando's ex-PERi-ence.

Thanks to the great Portuguese forefathers who invented this great spice, so hot and tantalising naming it once did not cover it. It is hard to put a finger on what exactly makes the PERi PERi chicken so mouthwatering, be it the spices, the process or the South African culture surrounding it, either way it's a win-win. If you happen to stroll down to Nando's, their award winning dishes Espetada, Cataplana and their designer drinks are also some of their must-try food items.

The side dishes and the deserts that come along in the menu are simply perfect for that ideal finish. A restaurant chain that started its journey here in 2007, has now won the hearts of both many with their diverse menu, creativity and of course, ambience.

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