

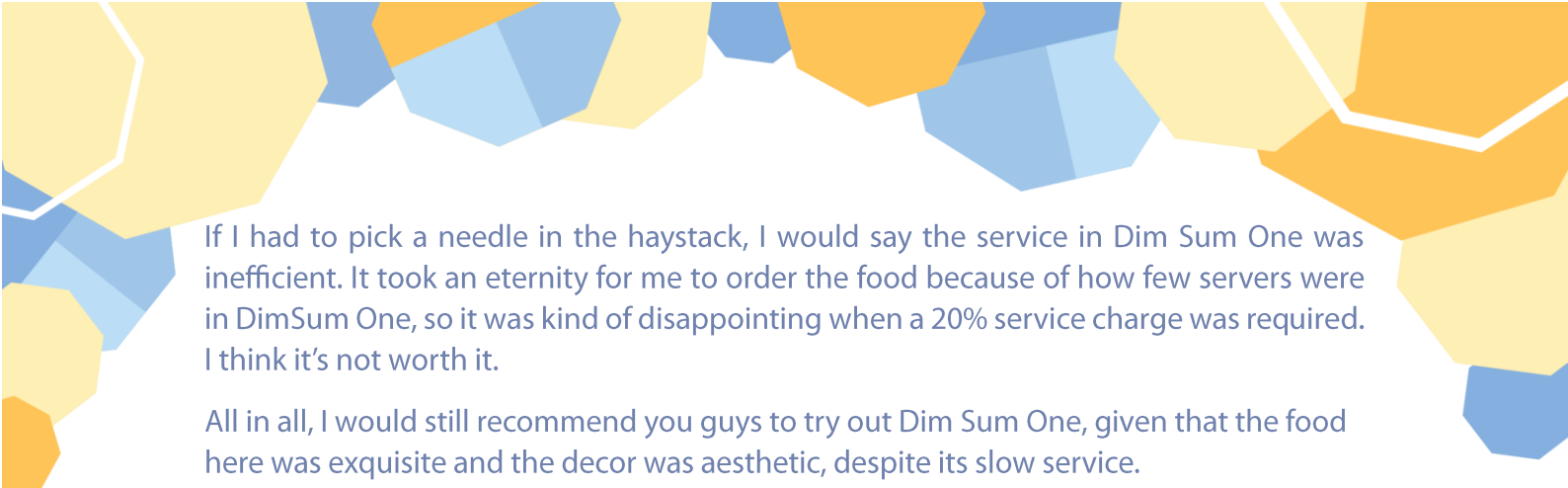
Restaurant Review

Hi folks! After waiting for a month, I finally got the chance to eat at Dim Sum One in Central to celebrate my mum's birthday, as well as to give my review of it. I have to say, it doesn't let me down at all! Here are reasons why foodies should try out this amazing restaurant.

First, the food here was truly impressive since they were one-of-a-kind and demonstrated the craftsmanship of Guangdong cuisine. I ordered Crystal Xialongbao as my appetizer and it was unique as the shrimp and crab roe inside were fresh and savory, while it was filled with broth that was extremely sweet and rich. The ingredients worked so well together, unlike the so-called xialongbao in other ordinary Chinese dining places. I also ordered Claypot Spare Rib Rice, which was sold like hotcakes. The uniqueness of this dish was that not only did the chef master cooking the spare rib so tender and juicy, but they also integrated some modern, cha chann teng elements in the dish, which was adding sunny-side-up eggs, green onions, and char siu sauce. These had souped up the whole pot of rice and did not overshadow the spare ribs at all. After having a feast, all of you might feel so stuffed, and let me tell you, the tea would help you a lot! There were more than 20 types of Chinese tea you could have in Dim Sum One, like Piuer, Dragonwell, you name it. The Oolong tea I ordered helped me to reduce my stuffiness with its sweet aftertaste and aroma. You should really visit Dim Sum One if you want a different, brand-new experience in tasting Guangdong cuisine.

Moreover, I also liked the decor in Dim Sum One as it really made me immerse into the world of medieval China. As you know, typical Chinese restaurants lack Chinese elements and look somehow Westernised with the marble stone floor and chandelier. But Dim Sum One gave off an ancient Chinese style with the walls made of stone bricks, dark wooden chairs and tables, and lots of ink-wash paintings of the the Ming and Qing Dynasties. I was lucky that I could choose the seat on the balcony, which was an open area that allowed people to bring their sparrows and hang their cages up. I couldn't believe this cultural practice was allowed in a Chinese restaurant nowadays! The entire atmosphere here was pleasurable and relaxing. Foodies, especially those history enthusiasts, should check it out.





If I had to pick a needle in the haystack, I would say the service in Dim Sum One was inefficient. It took an eternity for me to order the food because of how few servers were in DimSum One, so it was kind of disappointing when a 20% service charge was required. I think it's not worth it.

All in all, I would still recommend you guys to try out Dim Sum One, given that the food here was exquisite and the decor was aesthetic, despite its slow service.

