Cuisine
While there’s a huge menu that’s as much fun to eat your way through as it is to read, many of R.J. Grunts old American favorites spark return visits. The burgers are arguably the best in town. The salad bar—dubbed one of the first in the country—boasts more than 50 ingredients daily, from sandwiches and soups to even pudding. The BBQ Baby Back Ribs are legendary (R.J. Grunts has sold so many that “if you put end to end, they would stretch all the way to someplace else and back a lot of times”), as are the Buffalo Chicken Nachos. Giant old-fashioned malts and milkshakes are hand-dipped and come in a rainbow of colors and flavors, and the “All-U-Can-Eat” weekend brunch is perfect for families and kids.

Beverage
A large selection of craft beer, housemade daiquiris and margaritas and even boozy milkshakes prove that there’s an adult beverage for everyone to enjoy at R.J. Grunts.

Experience
R.J. Grunts — the very first Lettuce Entertain You restaurant — opened in Chicago’s Lincoln Park neighborhood in June of 1971. To this day, the eatery still exudes the funky lifestyle of the ‘70s in its style, décor, music and menu. Happily for all of us, the best eating of that day continues to be some of the best today, with its comfort food classics and nostalgic vibe. Nearby Lincoln Park also makes R.J. Grunts a popular family destination, with stroller parking out front, kid-size milkshakes and plenty of crayons to keep the little ones busy.

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