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Clipper Landing

MENU



On November 27, 1935, just a little after three o'clock in the afternoon Pan American Airlines plane landed in the waters just off Sumay village. This ushered in a new era for the island of Guam. An era of commerce, technology, and interconnectedness with the world.

The Pan Am aircraft, an M130 known as the China Clipper, took off from San Francisco and hopped through the islands of Hawaii, Midway, and Wake before it landed after nearly 60 hours in a sleepy cove off Sumay village which is present-day US Naval Base Guam.

“And then Guam! What a reception we had. The entire island had turned out to greet us.”

Marius Lodeesen, flight's second officer

Pan Am would expand from its initial purpose of mail delivery to commercial passenger flights. The island's first hotel Pan American World Airways Hotel, was built in Sumay in the mid to late 1930s to accommodate passengers on their way to Asia. The flying boats, as they were known, made weekly stops in Guam, bringing travelers including dignitaries and celebrities such as boxer Jack Dempsey and writer Ernest Hemingway. One of the initial flight

crew members was navigator Fred Noonan, who famously teamed with pilot Amelia Earhart and later disappeared while flying over the Pacific Ocean.



Sumay was quickly becoming the commerce center of Guam, competing with the capital Hagatna. This would, however, end with the advent of World War Two when Japanese enemy forces attacked the island on December eight, 1941. Although the days of the Pan Am seaplanes have faded into history, a legacy remains as Guam is the economic hub of Micronesia, the gateway to Asia for US travelers sees an average of a million international tourists a year and remains connected with the world.

APPS

- Chips & Salsa / \$5.50
- Shrimp Skewers (3 pc.) / \$12
- Chicken Skewers (4 pc.) / \$9
- Veggie Skewers (4 pc.) / \$9

SALADS

- House Salad / \$3
- Crunchy Asian Salad / \$12
- Mediterranean Salad / \$12

BURGERS

(served with a side of fries)

- Classic Burger / \$15
- Teriyaki Burger / \$15.50
- Pika Burger / \$15.50
- Avocado Burger / \$15.50
- Veggie Burger / \$11

ENTREES

(served with a side of cabbage salad)

- Fish Curry Bowl / \$14
- Kalbi Bowl / \$18.50
- Pork Steak Bowl / \$13
- Hawaiian Chicken Bowl / \$13

KIDS MEALS

- Teriyaki Chicken Bowl / \$6.50
- Grilled Chicken Quesadilla / \$6.50
- Kid's Sliders w. Fries / \$6.50