

# How to Read a Restaurant Receipt Breakdown

Understanding how to read a **restaurant receipt breakdown** is essential for verifying charges and managing your expenses. It typically includes details like itemized orders, taxes, service charges, and the total amount due. Familiarizing yourself with these sections helps ensure accuracy and transparency in your dining experience.

## Common Sections of a Restaurant Receipt

- Date and Time:** Shows when your meal was ordered and paid.
- Table/Server Info:** Identifies your table and the server responsible for your order.
- Itemized List:** Lists each food and drink item, along with its price and quantity.
- Subtotal:** The sum of all ordered items before additional charges.
- Taxes:** Local and state taxes applied to the subtotal.
- Service Charge/Tip:** Any automatic gratuity or service charge added to your bill.
- Discounts/Promotions:** Any applicable deductions or coupon values.
- Total Amount Due:** The final amount to pay, after all calculations.
- Payment Method:** Indicates cash, card, or other payment modes used.

## Sample Receipt Breakdown

Item	Qty	Price	Total
Grilled Chicken Salad	1	\$12.99	\$12.99
Lemonade	2	\$2.50	\$5.00
Dessert Sampler	1	\$6.75	\$6.75
<b>Subtotal</b>			\$24.74
<b>Tax (8%)</b>			\$1.98
<b>Service Charge (10%)</b>			\$2.47
<b>Total Due</b>			<b>\$29.19</b>

## Tips for Checking Your Receipt

- Double-check each item and the quantity ordered.
- Verify tax and service charge rates for accuracy.
- Look out for any discounts or coupons applied.
- Ensure the payment method and total amount match your payment.