

Nevada Best of 2007

Maize

Interior/T.I. Project Under \$5 Million



Screens accented with a twig design break up the dining booths and echo the landscape and hardscape of the exterior

This neighborhood tavern was designed to mimic the traditional building techniques of early desert settlers through the use of natural materials, such as weathering steel, glass and board-formed concrete. The walkway to the entrance has 10-ft to 25-ft-long rebar scattered throughout the landscape to mimic maize, or corn stalks.

The interior is designed around a circular bar layout based on the traditional

Native American hogan. Clerestory windows allow beams of light to penetrate the space. Perimeter seating around the bar reinforces the circular shape and breaks up the space to create nooks for intimate dining. The interior steel was designed to feel organic, as if the structure arose from the earth and will one day return. The beams shoot through the roof and are visible from the exterior of the building.

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Owner: Corrigan Investments

Architect: Carpenter Sellers Architects

Interior Design: Yates Silverman; Carpenter Sellers

General Contractor: Breslin Builders

Engineers: Malpass Design Group; Wright Engineers

Subcontractors: Premier Mechanical; Auburn Electric; Gallagher Plumbing; Extreme Commercial Concrete; Monty Malloy Masonry; Southern Nevada Welding; T. Barras Framing