

## Choc Chip Hooray!



I have just tried the most delectable, delicious, delightful ice cream in the county. At least, that's what the sign on the door says. But does Norris's Ice Cream Shack live up to its own praise? Let's find out.

Inside, the shack is decorated beautifully in stripes of pastel pinks and baby blues. There are plenty of interesting seating choices, from squashy sofas and beanbags to what seems to be old cinema seats. It was surprisingly busy for a rather dull Tuesday afternoon and we were seated at some tall bar stools at the window, overlooking the harbour. The view of boats, seagulls and waves on the horizon certainly added to the summery vibes inside the shack. But what about the actual ice cream? Yes, yes, I'm getting to it.

The lovely young man who took our order told us that the special was mint choc chip in a dark chocolate dipped cone. Of course we ordered one each! The vibrant green ice cream arrived wrapped in a shiny wrapper and with a complimentary chocolate stick in the top like a flag. I must say the service was top drawer.

Now, for the taste test. All it took was one lick for me to make my decision. Norris's Ice Cream Shack is certainly one of the best ice cream parlours I have ever visited. The ice cream itself was smooth and creamy, with the refreshing mint flavour cutting through in just the right amount. The chocolate chips were small, chewy and tasty. I'm not normally a fan of dark chocolate, but the rich coating on the crunchy wafer was out of this world. The only gripe I have is that, at £12.50, this is not only one of the tastiest ice creams I've ever had but also the most expensive! Perhaps they have to make them so expensive so people don't order stacks and stacks of them, as I certainly could have eaten at least five!

Would I recommend that you visit Norris's Ice Cream Shack next time you're in the area? Well, if you like ice cream and you've got money burning a hole in your pocket, my answer is absolutely YES!

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Questions

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Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

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refreshing

chewy

crunchy

pastel

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rich

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**It is a pun on "hip hip hooray!", which gives you a hint that they had chocolate chips and that they had a good time.**

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**Child's own answer, for example:**

**I think people liked the ice cream so much that they still visited even in bad weather.**

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Why do you think the writer has used lots of questions in their review?

**Child's own answer, for example:**

**I think the writer has used lots of questions in their review to make it feel like the writer is talking to you.**

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Who do you think this review is aimed at?

**Child's own answer, for example:**

- **I think this review is aimed at people who love ice cream.**
- **People who live in the local area would find this review useful.**
- **This review is suitable for people who have a lot of money.**

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