

导读:休斯顿“双椒川菜馆”的夫妻肺片当选为美国年度开胃菜,菜名被翻译为“Mr. and Mrs. Smith”非常贴切。



I found myself at Pepper Twins on Inauguration Day, after watching Donald Trump take office from my Houston hotel room, spending a sobering hour in the Rothko Chapel, and then doing all I could to dispel that sobriety with a series of micheladas at a Mexican bistro named Cuchara. It's fair to say that food wasn't my topmost preoccupation at that moment.

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That began to change as I gingerly—and then increasingly less gingerly—began to eat an appetizer called Mr. & Mrs. Smith, a more palatably named take on the classic Sichuan fuqi feipian, “lung of the husband and wife”: cold slices of beef tendon and tongue, tossed with sesame paste, Sichuan peppercorns, scallions, and chiles. I had not realized how much I was sleepwalking until flavor hit me in the face. The dish is a numbing, burning, textural masterpiece, and the kind of thing a budding empire is built on. Indeed, Chongqing native Yunan Yang (who is also involved, with her sister, in the restaurant Cooking Girl) already has two Pepper Twins locations and two more in her sights.

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