



BENARES

EVENTS GUIDE



OUR STORY

Benares Restaurant & Bar is an award-winning Michelin-starred Indian restaurant nestled in the heart of Mayfair and is one of London's premier destinations for contemporary fine-dining Indian cuisine.

Named after the ancient spiritual capital of India, Benares seamlessly marries tradition with daring modernity, capturing the essence of India's diverse culinary landscape. Our menu finds its inspiration in the vibrant street food culture that permeates every corner of the Indian subcontinent.

Experience a unique dining experience that blends cultural richness and innovation, captivating the hearts of both new and loyal enthusiasts who have made Benares their favourite London Indian restaurant for two decades.



MICHELIN PRIVATE DINING

Discover the world of Michelin private dining in the heart of Mayfair.

Nestled within Berkeley Square, Benares is a fine dining Indian restaurant, where innovation marries tradition.

Our private dining rooms are perfectly suited for a variety of events, such as an informal drinks reception, holiday parties, road shows, corporate events and more. A selection of menus is available, including our signature Tasting Menu, carefully crafted by our Executive Chef, available exclusively for private dining.

For lunch party bookings, enjoy an exclusive 10% discount on all party menus of 9+ guests (food only). Our dedicated Events team will assist you with all aspects of your experience, including dietary requirements and spice levels, bespoke menus and floral arrangements.



TASTING MENU

£129 per person

Paired Wines: £99 per person

SAVOUR REFINED INDIAN FLAVOURS WITH THE BEST OF BRITISH INGREDIENTS.
VEGETARIAN OPTION AVAILABLE.



STREET SNACK



BAKED MALABAR "HAND DIVED" SCOTTISH SCALLOP
2016 Valenciso Blanco, Compañia Bodeguera de Valenciso, Rioja, Spain



TAWA MASALA HALIBUT, CLAM MOILEE
2019 Benares Gewürztraminer, Jean Claude Gueth, Alsace, France



SPARKLING TEA



HIRAN BOTI TIKKA
2014 Barolo Riserva, Beni Di Batasiolo Italy



LAMB CHOP PULAO
(Served with Good Old Indian Staples)
2021 Red Blend, Clos du Val Napa Valley, U.S.A



RASMALAI
2015 Golden Icewine Valley, Château Changyu, Liaonin, China



PETIT FOURS

Wine Measures: 100ml, Dessert Measures: 70ml

This menu is offered for the entire table, for a maximum of 16 guests.
We request you place your order by 1:00 pm for Lunch, and 9:00 pm for Dinner.

All our menus are seasonal and subject to change. Food Allergies and Intolerances: Whilst we have strict controls in place to reduce risk of contamination, it is not possible for us to guarantee that our dishes will be 100% allergen or contamination free.
All prices are inclusive of VAT. A discretionary service/cover charge of 15% will be added to your bill.

BAYLEAF MENU

£78 per person

A THREE-COURSE MENU INCLUDING PLATED STARTER AND DESSERT
MAIN COURSE IS SERVED FAMILY STYLE, TO SHARE.



AMUSE BOUCHE



SATTU SHORBA
Bihari Style Gram Soup, Chili Oil



MACCHI MALABAR
Seabass in Kokum, Coconut and Tomato Gravy

MURG TARIWALA

Morsels of Chicken in Tomato Curry

BAINGAN MASALA

Aubergine in Tangy Home-Ground Spices and Onion Masala

ALOO ANARDANA

Roasted Potatoes with Dry and Fresh Pomegranate

DAL AMRITSARI

Tempered Black & Yellow Lentils

ZAFRANI PULAO

Saffron Spiced Aromatic Rice

ASSORTED BREAD AND RAITA



GULAB JAMUN



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FENNEL MENU

£89 per person

A FOUR-COURSE MENU INCLUDING PLATED STARTER AND DESSERT
MAIN COURSE IS SERVED FAMILY STYLE, TO SHARE.

AMUSE BOUCHE



MURG SHORBA



TAWA MACCHI

Lemon Chilli Marinated and Griddled Seabass



DHABA GOSHT

Simmered Kentish Lamb in Spiced Gravy

JHINGA MOILEE

Prawns Stewed in Curry Leaves and Coconut Milk

MURG MAKHANI

Chicken Cooked in Tomato and Fenugreek Sauce

PALAK MUTTER

Spinach with Peas

PODI ALOO

New Potato with Spiced Powder

DAL BENARESII

Benares Signature Black Lentils

SUBZ PULAO

Vegetables in Aromatic Rice

ASSORTED BREAD AND RAITA



RASMALAI



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DELUXE MENU

£145 per person

A FOUR-COURSE MENU INCLUDING PLATED STARTER AND DESSERT
MAIN COURSE IS SERVED FAMILY STYLE, TO SHARE.

A GLASS OF CHAMPAGNE & CANAPÉS

Murg Malai Tikka, Hummus Chaat, Mutton Seekh Kabab, Tandoori Paneer Skewer, Shrimp Kempu



GOL GAPPE

Wheat Bubbles, Spiced Potatoes, Mint infused Water



TANDOORI RATAN

Kashmiri Chilli Lamb Chop & Lime Scallop



MURG METHI MAKHNI

Chicken and Fresh Fenugreek Simmered in Buttered Tomato Gravy

RAWA MACCHI FRY

Semolina Coated Fried Sea Bass

GOSHT ROGAN JOSH

Saffron Spiced Slow Cooked Lamb

PALAK LEHSUNI

Garlic Flavoured Spinach

BHINDI DO PYAAZA

New Potato with Spiced Powder

DAL TADKA

Cumin Tempered Yellow Lentils

SUBZ BIRYANI

Aromatic Rice with Organic Vegetables

ASSORTED BREAD AND RAITA



24 CARAT GOLD LEAF LACED MANGO MADNESS CHEESECAKE, MANGO ICE CREAM



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LUNCH PARTY OFFER

10%

Discount on all Party Menus
(food only)



Enjoy a special offer for lunchtime private dining on all Party Menus for groups of 9 or more guests (Tasting Menu is not included).

Elevate your experience by hosting a private dining event during lunchtime and savour an exclusive offer tailored just for you.

Offer available to redeem until 31st October 2024.

CAPACITY OVERVIEW

AREA OF RESTAURANT	PRIVATE DINING	STANDING
CHEF'S TABLE	2-8	NA
SOMMELIER'S TABLE	2-10	NA
BERKELEY ROOM	11-16	NA
DOVER ROOM	17-36	NA
BAR & LOUNGE	NA	60-80
EXCLUSIVE HIRE	150	200

CHEF'S TABLE

Experience the heart of Benares at our exclusive Chef's Table. Perfect for business lunches and special dinners, this unparalleled dining adventure offers a front-row seat to the kitchen.

Watch as Chef Sameer and his expert team craft exquisite Indian dishes, immersing you in authentic culinary artistry. Impress clients or celebrate with loved ones in an intimate setting that combines personal service with exceptional attention to detail.

Enjoy a specially curated menu featuring innovative flavors and the finest ingredients. Elevate your dining experience, witness the magic of Indian cooking, and create lasting memories at Benares.

[Reserve the Chef's Table today.](#)

Capacity - 2 to 8 guests • Minimum Spend £800



SOMMELIER'S TABLE

For a sophisticated touch to your corporate meetings, private dining, or business lunches, our Sommelier's Table is the ideal setting. Immerse yourself in an atmosphere surrounded by over 200 exquisite wine selections.

The Sommelier's Table combines elegance with a relaxed ambiance, making it perfect for impressing clients or celebrating with colleagues. Enjoy impeccable service and a refined selection of drinks that will elevate any business occasion. Make your next corporate event unforgettable by hosting it in our exclusive Sommelier's Table.

Perfect for wine enthusiasts, our extensive list offers everything from Châteauneuf-du-Pape to Cristal Louis Roederer.

[Reserve your experience today.](#)

Capacity - 2 to 10 guests • Minimum Spend £1000



BERKELEY ROOM

For an intimate setting with fine food and drink, perfect for pitching and presenting, the Berkeley Room is your ideal choice. Named after the prestigious Berkeley Square, this room blends authenticity with intimacy and culture. Impress your guests with a first-class meeting experience, offering exceptional cuisine, exquisite wine, and a sophisticated atmosphere.

The Berkeley Room provides the perfect balance of professionalism and elegance, ensuring a memorable and productive event. Elevate your business gatherings and leave a lasting impression by hosting your next corporate meeting or private dining event in the Berkeley Room.

[Reserve the Berkeley Room today.](#)

Capacity - 11 to 16 guests • Minimum Spend - Available on request



DOVER ROOM

Introducing the Dover Room, our distinguished banqueting space exuding an authentic and traditional ambiance, adjacent to our main dining area. Accommodating up to 36 guests, it's an ideal choice for company events, whether it's corporate parties or conferences.

Immerse yourself in a setting that seamlessly combines elegance with heritage, providing the perfect backdrop for your gatherings. Elevate your company's events with the Dover Room, where every detail is tailored to ensure a memorable and successful occasion.

Reserve this space today and make your next event truly remarkable.

Capacity - 17 to 36 guests

Minimum Spend - Available on request



BAR & LOUNGE

Step into another key aspect of our establishment: the bar! Here, exceptional drinks and delectable bar food converge to craft an unparalleled corporate outing. Reserve a spot for your company to indulge in appetizers and drinks at our bar.

Our dedicated staff, led by Hannan, ensures your needs are met, whether you prefer a Jaljeera Gimlet or a Pickled Margarita. Benares' bar stands as the epitome of sophistication and enjoyment - an essential destination for any corporate gathering.

Capacity (standing only) - 60-80 guests • Minimum Spend - Available on request



EXCLUSIVE HIRE

Step into the vibrant ambiance of Benares, where sophistication meets warmth in every corner. From the lively bar to our versatile event space, our venue offers a perfect fusion of elegance and charm, ideal for hosting your next memorable event.

Imagine the entire space transformed for your occasion, accommodating up to 200 guests, with seating available for 150 individuals. Whether you're planning a corporate gala, a product launch, or a company-wide celebration, our venue is equipped to meet your every need.

Our experienced team will work closely with you to curate an unforgettable experience, from exquisite cuisine crafted by our talented chefs to impeccable service provided by our dedicated staff.

Let Benares elevate your event to new heights, ensuring that every detail is meticulously planned and executed to perfection. With our commitment to excellence, your event at Benares will be nothing short of extraordinary.

Capacity - Seated 150 guests, Standing 200 guests

Minimum Spend - Available on request



COCKTAIL MASTERCLASS

The perfect gift for cocktail enthusiasts, and an excellent team-building activity.

Starting with a basic introduction to the art of cocktail making, you will be mixing your own drinks while learning a few tricks to impress your friends and colleagues.

You will choose 2 cocktails from our list, prepare them, learn and drink.



FLOWER SERVICES

You can buy beautiful flowers from our trusted florist and have them delivered straight to the restaurant.

With a minimum order of £40 you can enjoy a 15% discount and free delivery to the restaurant.

Head to alexandercollierflowers.com and quote "Benares" when making an order. Please make an order 2 days in advance for flowers to arrive on time.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

All menus and prices are subject to change.

Party menus are only available to groups of 9 and above.

Tasting Menu is available for parties of up to 16 guests.

Please select one menu for your whole party.

Minimum spend will apply.

Vegetarian menu options are available upon request.

All Chicken and Lamb is Halal.

Wine options are available with all menus.

Complimentary place cards and personalised printed menus can be provided upon request.

Discretionary service/cover charge of 15% has been added to your bill.

Please advise of any dietary requirements and allergies in advance.

Kindly select your preferred menu and return a minimum of 14 days prior to your event.

Click **HERE** to view our 360° Google tour.





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