HAWKSMOOR

SHARPENERS

Le Crunch 75
Somerset cider brandy,

Normandy apple aperitif, Champagne
12.00

Sour Cherry Negroni
Tanqueray gin, Campari,

Martini Rubino, sour cherry

Hawksmoor Calling Fords gin, Salisbury honey,

chamomile, fino sherry, fizz

Palmer & Co, Brut/Rosé NV Champagne, France

12.00/13.00

18.00

STARTERS

Hawksmoor smoked salmon soda bread	14.00	Devonshire crab on toast cucumber salad	16.00	Bone marrow with onions sourdough toast	9.50
Roasted scallops white port & garlic	18.00	Old Spot belly ribs vinegar slaw	14.00	Hawksmoor Caesar Cantabrian anchovies	9.50/12.50
Smoked mackerel salad Jersey royals & horseradish	9.00	Fillet carpaccio pickled chestnut mushrooms, parmesan	14.00	New Moor Farm asparagus hollandaise sauce	11.75
Half native lobster with garlic butter	8.00/100g	Potted beef & bacon Yorkshires & onion gravy	10.50	Spring herb salad goat's curd, radishes, sourdough crisp	9.00

MAINS

Royal sea bream	24.00	Ricotta dumplings	18.00	Hawksmoor Hamburger
chilli, rosemary & garlic		peas, broadbeans, asparagus,		Ogleshield or Stichelton cheese,
Monkfish grilled over charcoal	9.50/100g	wild garlic green sauce		triple-cooked chips or salad
	7.50, 2008	Herb-fed chicken	19.00	
		with Béarnaise		

STEAKS

Be warned, our favourite cuts – Bone-in Prime Rib, T-Bone, Porterhouse & Chateaubriand – are big. Good if you're hungry or for two to share.

Chateaubriand	14.50/100g	Fillet (300g)	39.00	Extras	
Porterhouse	11.00/100g	Rib-eye (400g)	37.50	Grilled bone marrow	5.50
Bone-in prime rib	11.00/100g	Sirloin (400g)	36.00	Two fried eggs	3.00
T-bone	9.50/100g	Rump (300g)	25.00		

Sauces 3.50: Béarnaise, Peppercorn, Bone marrow gravy, Anchovy hollandaise, Stichelton hollandaise

SIDES

Beef dripping fries	5.50	Macaroni cheese	6.50	Maple bacon	4.50
Triple-cooked chips	5.50	Creamed spinach	6.50	Purple sprouting broccoli	6.00
Mash & gravy	5.50	Buttered greens	5.50	New Moor Farm asparagus	8.50
Tunworth mash	6.50	Garlic mushrooms	6.00	Rye by the Water sourdough	3.75
Sweet potato	4.50	Hawksmoor Caesar	5.50	with Longmans butter	
Jersey royals	5.50	English lettuce & herb salad	5.00		

Express Menu 2 courses 24.00, 3 courses 28.00 Monday - Saturday until 6.30pm and after 9pm

Potted beef & bacon Spring herb salad Smoked mackerel salad Rump or fillet tail (+ 6.50) & chips Filleted roasted sea bream Ricotta dumplings

Peanut butter shortbread Sticky toffee sundae Lemon and yogurt cheesecake

SUNDAY ROAST Slow roast rump with all the trimmings 25.00 - "Best Sunday Lunch", Observer Food Monthly





Aldwych Theatre 35	Garrick 24	Noel Coward 22	Savoy Theatre 29
9 minutes	6 minutes	4 minutes	8 minutes
Apollo 12	Gielgud 11	Novello Theatre 34	Shaftesbury 38
8 minutes	8 minutes	8 minutes	5 minutes
Cambridge 2	Her Majesty's		Soho Theatre 9
2 minutes	10 minutes	4 minutes	9 minutes
Comedy 17	Leicester Square 20	Peacock 36	St Martin's 4
8 minutes	Theatre	11 minutes	2 minutes
Criterion 15	5 minutes	Phoenix 5	Theatre Royal 32
10 minutes	London Coliseum 25	5 minutes	Drury Lane
Dominion 8	6 minutes	Piccadilly 14	6 minutes
9 minutes	Lyceum 30		Theatre Royal 18
Donmar Warehouse	7 minutes	Playhouse Theatre 27	Haymarket
2 minutes	Lyric 13	13 minutes	11 minutes
Duchess Theatre 33	8 minutes	Prince Edward 7	Trafalgar Studios 26
7 minutes	New Ambassadors 3		10 minutes
Duke of Yorks 23	Theatre	Prince of Wales 16	Vaudeville Theatre 28
5 minutes	4 minutes	8 minutes	8 minutes
Fortune Theatre 31	New London 37	Queens Theatre 10	Wyndham's 21

7 minutes

4 minutes

6 minutes

Theatre

4 minutes

BEEF STEAK CLUBS

In the early 18th Century a number of Beef Steak Clubs began to spring up in London. They were part members' club, part secret society and all based around the wonder and marvel of beef steaks. The most famous of these, The Sublime Society of Beef Steaks, was formed by John Rich, the harlequin and machinist (now more prosaically known as a 'manager') at the Theatre Royal, Covent Garden. The club was frequented by actors, artists, men of wit and song, noblemen, royalty, statesmen and great soldiers. So stringent were the entry requirements that even the Prince Regent (the future King George IV) was merely placed on the waiting list.

The Sublime Society of Beef Steaks



Patrons considered themselves to be down-to-earth men of the people and would attend wearing simple clothes and rugged leather boots. They were said to embody the British spirit and saw beef as the sustenance of the nation (unlike France's "soup meager, frogs and sallads"). Members wore a ring with a picture of a gridiron and the words 'Beef & Liberty'. They were in stark contrast to the flamboyant and effeminate Macaroni Club, formed by rich young men freshly returned from the Grand Tour, who became associated with outrageous costumes and foreign food.

If you'd like to start your own Beef Steak Club (which we would be happy to host), here are a few guidelines from the Sublime Society:

The Club admitted no more than 24 brethren, everyone else (including the Prince of Wales) was put on a waiting list

Members were allowed to bring one guest per session

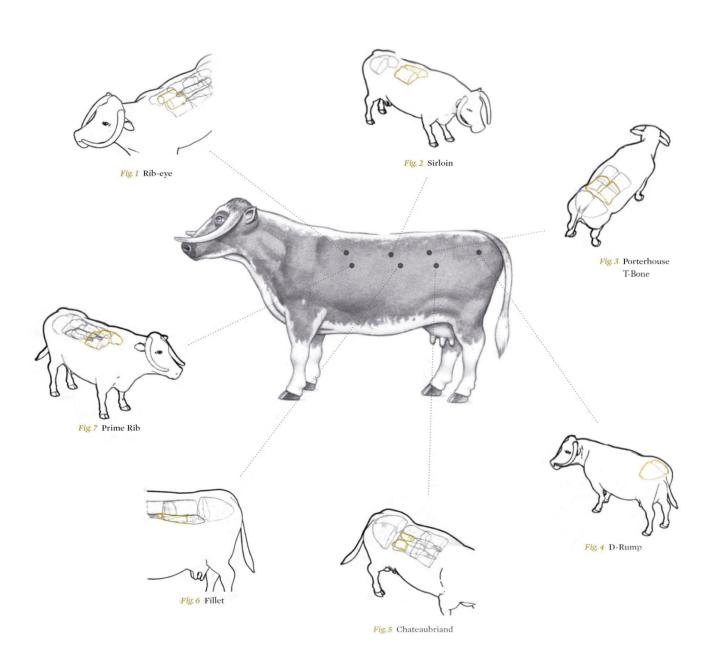
Three sessions a year were held with no membership

Payment was organized via a whip, with everyone paying the same

Members generally referred to themselves as "The Steaks"

The toast at each session was "Ne fidos inter amicos sit, qui dicta foras eliminet", which today might be translated as "What's said at Steak Club stays at Steak Club"

THE HAWKSMOOR



THIS RESTAURANT IS SITUATED IN THE OLD COMBE'S BREWERY,

which by 1880 was the second largest brewery in London.

Every year, Harvey Christian Combe (Brewer, Lord Mayor and the City's representative in Parliament) threw a steak dinner that was attended by the great and the good. His Royal Brewhouse Dinner, held here on June 7th 1807, became legendary.

A CONTEMPORARY NEWSPAPER REPORTED:

"On Friday, Alderman Combe gave his annual dinner of beef-steaks to several of the Royal Family at his Covent Garden Brewhouse. When the Prince of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of York, and the Duke of Cambridge arrived, they were conducted to a table laid with materials that the brewhouse affords. The table cloth was only a hop sack nailed to the table; and it was laid for dinner with wooden trenchers, wooden bowls for the sallads, wooden salt sellers, with bone spoons and Tunbridge-ware pepper-castors.

The Royal Party were joined by the Earl of Lauderdale, Lord Erskine, Mr. Sheridan and several others.

Five capital rumps of beef were provided, and a butcher attended to cut the prime steaks. Afterwards, he handed them, on a wooden malt shovel, to the stoker of the Brewhouse, who is always cook upon these occasions. The stoker placed them on an iron plate, and turned them with an iron instrument in the shape of a horse-shoe. When he thought the steaks sufficiently done, in the Brewhouse style, he put them into a new malt-shovel, covered with a tin lid, made very hot: it was taken to the table by a brewer, with a clean white apron on, and placed upon the table. The Alderman and his son helped the distinguished guests to the prime pieces.

At a late hour the company left the Brewhouse, highly gratified with their beef-steaks, on which the Duchess of York was lavish in her praise, and very pleased with their worthy host's hospitality."