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The Top 50 restaurants in London

We've put together a definitive 100-strong list of the very best places to eat in the capital, including classics and newbies, Michelin-starred celeb pits and great local places.

Here's the top 50: for the full 100 go to www.timeout.com/top100restaurants

1 The Ledbury £££

World-class cooking and a laidback local vibe. 127 Ledbury Rd, W11 2AQ.

2 Chiltern Firehouse ££££

Razzle-dazzle cooking at one of the hottest tickets in town. 1 Chiltern St, W1U 7PA.

3 Dabbous £££

Vegetables hog the limelight with wit and invention. 39 Whitfield St, W1T 2SF.

4 The Manor £££

Modernist mastery in cool, casual Clapham. 148 Clapham Manor St, SW4 6BX.

5 Chutney Mary ££££

Indian cooking as good as it gets. 73 Little St James's St, SW1A 1PH.

6 Sushi Tetsu £££

Tiny in size, but a shrine to sushi. 12 Jerusalem Passage, EC1V 4JP.

7 St John £££

Class, consistency and commitment to the best of British produce. 26 St John St, EC1M 4AY.

8 Dinings £££

Raw-fish magic in a Marylebone mini-basement. 22 Harcourt St, W1H 4HH.

9 Palomar £££

Modern Israeli cooking sets Soho alight. 34 Rupert St, W1D 6DN.

10 Social Eating House £££

The best of Jason Atherton's restaurants? We think so. 58 Poland St, W1F 7NS.

11 Hawksmoor Seven Dials £££

Often imitated, never surpassed – star steak in plush surroundings. 11 Langley St, WC2H 9JG.

12 Medlar ££

Unexpected assemblies that always work, and all made in Chelsea. 438 King's Rd, SW10 0LJ.

13 Amaya £££

Gorgeous Asian tapas, and a sleek cocktail bar. Halkin Arcade, Motcomb St, SW1X 8JT.

14 Clarke's £££

London's first ingredients-led restaurant still sparkles. 122 and 124 Kensington Church St, W8 4BH.

15 Lyle's £££

Lunch à la carte, no-choice dinner, relaxed and wonderful throughout the day. Tea Building, 56 Shoreditch High St, E1 6JJ.

16 Yashin Sushi £££

A jewel of a sushi bar with an innovative menu in a classy setting. 1a Argyll Rd, W8 7DB.

17 Barrafinia ££

A no-bookings pioneer that's top of the tapas league. 54 Frith St, London W1D 4SL; 10 Adelaide St, WC2N 4HZ; 43 Drury Lane, WC2B 5A.

18 Harwood Arms ££

Officially a pub, actually a top-drawer restaurant. Walham Grove, SW6 1QP.

19 The Modern Pantry ££

Fizzing fusion food and one of London's best outdoor eating spaces. 47-48 St John's Square, EC1V 4JJ.

20 Snaps & Rye £

Danish conquest: flawless Scandi lunches and no-choice dinners. 93 Golborne Rd, W10 5NL.

21 Proveedores and the Tapa Room £££

Antipodean cooking that still delivers. 109 Marylebone High St, W1U 4RX.

22 Bao ££

'Bao' rhymes with 'wow': tiny space, massive quality Taiwan-inspired street food. 53 Lexington St, W1F 9AS.

23 Ceviche ££

This place put Peru on the map, and scales the peak of perfection. 17 Frith St, W1D 4RG; 2 Baldwin St, EC1V 9NU.

24 The Wolseley £££

Consume class and comfort in three ultra-trad meals a day. 160 Piccadilly, W1J 9EB.

25 Dishoom ££

Indian delight, worth queuing for. 12 Upper St Martin's Lane, WC2H 9FB; 5 Stable St, N1C 4AB; 7 Boundary St, E2 7JE.

26 J Sheekey £££

Theatreland's star puts fab fish and shellfish centre stage. 28-32 St Martin's Ct, WC2N 4AL.

27 Copita £££

Tapas like you'll get in Spain – if you're lucky. 27 D'Arblay St, W1F 8EP.

28 Ottolenghi ££

Still amazing after all these years. 50 Artillery Lane, E1 7LJ; 63 Ledbury Rd, W11 2AD; 287 Upper St, N1 2TZ.

29 Kitty Fisher's ££££

Big-time luxury in a cossetting Mayfair basement. 10 Shepherd Market, W1J 7QF.

30 Portland £££

Destination dining on a drab stretch of road. 113 Great Portland St, W1W 6QQ.

31 Fischer's £££

Where schnitzel with noodles became one of London's favourite things. 50 Marylebone High St, W1U 5HN.

32 Roka £££

Thrilling grilling: chefs on show making mod-Japanese taste bombs. 37 Charlotte St, W1T 1RR.

33 Restaurant Story ££££

Small-plate tasting menus from a rapidly rising star. 199 Tooley St, SE1 2JX.

34 Ember Yard ££

Terrific tapas with an emphasis on glowing coals. 60 Berwick St, W1F 8SU.

35 Dean Street Townhouse ££££

British cooking at this queen of the Dean Street scene. 69-71 Dean St, W1D 3SE.

36 Honey and Co ££

Sweeten your day with mod-Middle-Eastern masterpieces (don't forget to order dessert). 25a Warren St, W1T 5LZ.

37 Bar Boulud £££

NY star-chef Daniel Boulud crosses the Pond in style, with bistro food in a posh setting. Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, 66 Knightsbridge, SW1X 7LA.

38 10 Greek St ££

An unshowy restaurant with seasonal modern cooking. 10 Greek St, W1D 4DH.

39 Berners Tavern ££££

Small plates, big prices and a big buzz around this Fitzrovia outpost of Jason Atherton's empire. 10 Berners St, W1T 3LF.

40 Little Social ££

Another one from Atherton, a de luxe take on the classic French bistro. 5 Pollen St, W1S 1NE.

41 Gymkhana £££

Looks like a colonial club but brings a thoroughly modern approach to Indian classics. 42 Albemarle St, W1S 4JH.

42 Naughty Piglets ££

New wine bar offering modern bistro cooking and natural vino. 28 Brixton Water Lane, SW2 1PE.

43 Grain Store £££

Consistently dazzling food from master-chef Bruno Loubet. King's Cross, 1-3 Stable St, N1C 4AB.

44 Oldroyd ££

This restaurant is smaller than pocket-size, but it's currently Islington's best. 344 Upper St, N1 0PD.

45 Momo ££

Marrakech or Mayfair? Come on in for music, lovely furnishings and great Moroccan food. 25 Heddon St, W1B 4BH.

46 Pizarro ££

Some of London's best Spanish cooking takes place in this always-packed local. 194 Bermondsey St, SE1 3UB.

47 Rochelle Canteen ££

This chic canteen is all about classic simplicity and ace ingredients. Rochelle School, Arnold Circus, E2 7ES.

48 Zucca ££

A chilled Italian local. Bermondsey hearts Zucca (despite the pricey wine list). 184 Bermondsey St, SE1 3TQ.

49 Dairy £££

Small plates come out to play on The Pavement at the cream of the Clapham crop. 15 The Pavement, SW4 0HY.

50 Terroirs ££

The wine bar of your dreams, where food is as important as the stuff in bottles. 5 William IV St, WC2N 4DW.

A meal for two with wine and service: £ up to £45 ££ £46-£80 £££ £80-£120 ££££ £121+