

EPICUREAN LIFE

A WORLD OF LUXURY...FOR THOSE WITH DISCERNING TASTE



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PURE GEMS - JEWELLERY & WATCHES



BIG EASY

THE EASY CHOICE FOR BIG FOOD

The offices of Epicurean Life used to occupy the entire first floor directly above the Big Easy on the Kings Road – yes the four windows in the pic below! For almost two years our tummies were in constant rumbling mode as aromas of their daily food prep wafted upstairs. Needless to say we had many a company ‘meeting’ in their restaurant and bar! Chelsea rents forced us out and five years on we decided to repay a visit to see what had changed. Gladly nothing!

The Big Easy was founded over 20 years ago and proudly flies the Star Spangled banner for stateside specialties. Featuring American classics of steaks, ribs, fried chicken, crab and lobster dishes – all American-sized portions – accompanied by creative cocktails and pitchers of homemade lemonade, the laidback feel created through checkered tablecloths and friendly staff is truly a nod to Southern hospitality.

Open from noon till late, the vast menu includes fresh fish,

steaks chargrilled fajita platters, home-style smoked barbecue, surf and turf options as well as a host of appetisers, salads and soups. Lovers of crustacea can indulge in half a 2lb/1kg fresh lobster, Atlantic crab steamed to order, tiger shrimp skewers or the New England Clam Chowder. For the truly decadent a ‘surf and turf’ menu offers 28 day aged steaks accompanied by a Maine lobster.

Promotions include; ‘The Big Pig Gig’, a Monday favourite, with an all-you-can-eat barbecue of home smoked ribs and chicken, or the ‘Lobster Festival’ available every day, except Friday and Saturday nights, which gets you a half 1kg Lobster with sides and drink. Each at £14.95 per person.

The party atmosphere is complimented by great live bands performing daily. Add in their very-extended happy hour of two-for-one on selected cocktails make the Big Easy bar a popular destination.

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WABI

Just opened as we go to press in London’s theatre district is the ultra-glamorous Wabi. Named after the Japanese aesthetic Wabi-sabi, a movement characterised by simple, undeclared beauty.

Creating yet more culinary wonders is Chef Scott Hallsworth who enhanced his already grand reputation when he was head chef at Nobu. Even at the launch party of Wabi London his seasonal menu of Japanese cuisine with a contemporary European twist showed innovation, daring and great promise of things to come. Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

36-38 Kingsway, London WC2
T: 020 7400 5400
www.wabirestaurants.com



WOW MR CHOW IS BACK NOW

Knightsbridge institution, Mr Chow, will reopen its doors to the public in February 2013, ahead of its 45th Anniversary, with a celebratory Anniversary tasting menu of signature dishes (including the renowned Green Prawns and Mr Chow Noodles, as well as Beijing Duck and Ma Mignon). This will herald a new era for the Mr Chow empire; admired not only for its excellent and innovative cuisine but also the stylish and eclectic crowd that it attracts. Since the eponymous Mr Chow first opened in London in 1968, there are now restaurants in Beverly Hills, New York, Miami and soon Malibu.

NAGA

This winter a touch of Pan-Asian sophistication arrives in Kensington in the form of Naga. An Oriental restaurant and bar, Naga combines a chic and contemporary décor with a warm and welcoming atmosphere making it a neighbourhood gem that people will travel from near and far to visit.

2 Abingdon Road, London W8 T: 020 7795 6060
www.nagarestaurants.co.uk

GOING WILD!

A new pop-up restaurant from The Wild Game Co. is due to launch in January at Soho institution, The Endurance. In 2013 guests visiting The Endurance will be able to enjoy the finest wild venison and game, sourced directly from the Scottish Highlands, making this a truly unmissable epicurean event.

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