

THE SHEER DIVERSITY AND QUALITY OF CAPE TOWN'S RESTAURANTS MAKES THE CITY A FOODIES' PARADISE. FROM TRADITIONAL AFRICAN TO MORE EXOTIC OPTIONS SUCH AS ASIAN, MEXICAN AND ITALIAN, THE RANGE OF CUISINES ON OFFER MATCHES THE DIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN'S HERITAGE. WE LIST JUST SOME OF THE MOTHER CITY'S MUST-VISIT RESTAURANTS.

FINE DINING

THE TEST KITCHEN

Under the leadership of founder chef Luke Dale-Roberts, the internationally acclaimed Test Kitchen has emerged as one of Cape Town's top fine dining restaurants. What's more, it was recently voted 28th best restaurant in the world. This isn't a place you can just turn up to on a whim. It's booked up months in advance, so call now for a future reservation.

Shop 104 A, The Old Biscuit Mill, 373-375 Albert Road, Woodstock +27 (0) 21 447 2337

www.facebook.com/thetestkitchenbyluke

SPASIE UNDERGROUND

Spasie's big selling point is that you don't know what you'll be eating until you get there. You have to book in advance and you will be told the name of your chef when you arrive because they change every week. A class act!

97 Church Street +27 (0) 21 422 1492 www.spasieunderground.com

REUBEN'S AT THE ONE & ONLY

Set in the prestigious One & Only hotel at the V&A Waterfront, Reuben's has guickly become a local favourite thanks to the popularity of Cape Town chef, Reuben Riffel. The menu is extensive and offers a memorable dining experience.

Dock Road, V&A Waterfront +27 (0) 21 431 4511 or +27 (0) 21 431 5888

AFRICAN

MAMA AFRICA

A popular Long Street institution, Mama Africa specialises in African food accompanied by live local music. Traditional dishes on the menu include Zimbabwean dovi, or chicken, in peanut sauce; lamb curry; and game potjie, a rich, chewy stew to name just three African classics.

178 Long Street +27 (0) 21 424 8634 or +27 (0) 21 426 1017 www.mamaafricarestaurant.co.za

MZOLI'S PLACE

If you're looking for a township vibe, then Mzoli's is your best choice. Situated just outside Cape Town in the township of Gugulethu, it is acclaimed for its vibrant parties, diverse patronage and, of course, its signature meat. You choose your meat from the Mzoli's butchery and braai it right there.

NY 115, Shop 3, Gugulethu +27 (0) 21 638 1355 www.facebook.com/pages/Mzolis-Meat-Gugulethu-Cape-Town/280620193730

AFRICA CAFÉ

Owners Portia and Jason De Smidt opened Africa Café specifically to create food that celebrates Africa's diversity and rich tapestry of tastes and aromas. Expect a variety of dishes from all over the continent including Malawi, Botswana and the Congo.

108 Shortmarket Street +27 (0) 21 422 0221 www.africacafe.co.za

SEAFOOD

CAPE TOWN FISH MARKET

The Cape Town Fish Market has become synonymous with fresh fish and this newly refurbished restaurant is quickly becoming the chain's flagship venue. Having moved from the Old Clock Tower, the restaurant is enjoying a new lease of life by the water as the perfect place to enjoy sushi and seafood

Shop G12, Clock Tower, V&A Waterfront +27 (0) 21 418 5977 www.ctfm.co.za/home

BLACK MARLIN

A favourite among visitors and locals, this superb seafood restaurant is nestled just outside town and on the way to Cape Point. The venue, once a whaling station, is a popular choice for lunch and dinner. During the whale season - early July to December – you could even catch sight of some passing whales!

Millers Point, Simon's Town +27 (0) 21 786 1621 www.blackmarlin.co.za

HARBOUR HOUSE

Set in arguably one of Cape Town's best locations, Harbour House in Kalk Bay is quite literally sitting on the ocean. Built on the breakwater and overlooking Kalk Bay Harbour, the restaurant offers incredible views of False Bay and is celebrated for its fantastic seafood dishes.

Kalk Bay Harbour, Kalk Bay +27 (0) 21 788 4133 www.harbourhouse.co.za



TWO OCEANS RESTAURANT

Another restaurant with killer views, the Two Oceans Restaurant at Cape Point offers the freshest sushi and an extensive seafood menu. Innovative yet subtle, the restaurant's design ensures all diners can take advantage of the unrivalled view while enjoying some of the best seafood in the Mother City.

Cape Point Nature Reserve +27 (0) 21 780 9200 www.two-oceans.co.za

TAPAS

THE POT LUCK CLUB

Located in Woodstock's Old Biscuit Mill. The Pot Luck Club is all about sharing. The venue encourages guests to order for the table and invites everyone to dig in to the meal. This famous restaurant is a must for locals and visitors alike.

Silo Top Floor, The Old Biscuit Mill, 373-375 Albert Road, Woodstock +27 (0) 21 447 0804 www.thepotluckclub.co.za

TWANKEY TAPAS BAR, TAJ CAPE TOWN

Twankey offers a variety of seafood tapas to be enjoyed in its luxurious setting. The building was the ground floor of the Old Temple Chambers and has been fully restored as a celebration of elegance and glamour.

Cnr Wale and St Georges Mall +27 (0) 21 819 2000 www.tajhotels.com/capetown

LA PARADA BAR DE TAPAS

One of the many great restaurants on the ever popular Bree Street, La Parada celebrates the Spanish tradition of social eating. Long communal tables allow diners to sit close together while

enjoying the authentic Andalusian tapas that this establishment serves up.

107 Bree Street +27 (0) 21 424 2235 www.facebook.com/LaParadaTapasCapeTown

ITALIAN

MAGICA ROMA

Be sure to book early if you want to enjoy the superb traditional fare at one of Cape Town's most popular Italian restaurants. Its extensive selection of pasta dishes, all prepared to perfection, are good enough to put Magica Roma at the top of any bucket list.

8 Central Square, Pinelands +27 (0) 21 531 1489 or +27 (0) 21 531 1489 www.facebook.com/pages/Magica-Roma-Restaurant

BACINI'S

Located at the top of bustling Kloof Street, Bacini's is a firm favourite and always busy. Owner Romondo and his family mingle with the diners, giving Bacini's a great family atmosphere. The food, of course, is top-notch and the menu offers a wide variety of choices.

177 Kloof Street, Gardens +27 (0) 21 423 6668 www.bacini.co.za

ITALIAN KITCHEN

This delightful Italian restaurant in Tokai has captured the hearts of Capetonians with its vibrant atmosphere and great menu. The Newlands branch was recently opened and has continued the trend with patrons lining up for their gourmet pizzas and wide range of pastas. There is also a dedicated kids menu making it perfect for families.

21 Tokai Road, Tokai/Shop 6, Dean Street, **Newlands**

+27 (0) 21 713 4218 (Tokai) /

+27 (0) 21 686 4237 (Newlands) www.italiankitchentokai.co.za

MEXICAN

EL BURRO

El Burro is considered one of the best Mexican restaurants in Cape Town. The authentic Mexican menu and distinctly fresh ingredients keep diners coming back for more, while the space is hip and the staff friendly.

81 Main Road, Green Point +27 (0) 21 433 2364 or +27 (0) 21 433 2364 www.elburro.co.za

PANCHO'S

If you love Mexican cuisine, you really need to visit Pancho's in Observatory. Just make sure you book first, because this is a local favourite of note! The atmosphere is vibrant, the food is mouth-watering, the portions are huge and the margheritas come by the jug-full!

127 Lower Main Road, Observatory +27 (0) 21 447 4854

SAN JULIAN

Unassuming and casual, San Julian gives you the most authentic Mexican cuisine in the city – and you can wash it all down with the best margherita's this side of Cancun. Enjoy inexpensive dishes dispatched from the kitchen by the restaurant's passionate Mexican owners.

3 Rose Street +27 (0) 21 6851920



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