

#### **NIBBLES**

Nocellara olives £4.5

Vegetable crisps £3

Smoked beetroot hummus £4.5

Tomato arancini £4.5

Onion and bacon tartelette £4.5

Selection of breads £3.5 salted butter

Chilled pea soup £8.5 V whipped curry cream

French onion soup £8.5

Brioche crouton, gruyere

Steak tartare £12/£18 crispy rye toast

Yellow fin tuna & avocado £12.5 coriander, spring onion, sesame, miso, soya

Smoked salmon £12.5 potato Rösti, horseradish cream

Burrata & smoked semi dried heritage tomatoes £12.5 V basil pesto, lemon olive oil & balsamic vinaigrette

STARTERS & SALADS

Chick pea salad £8.5/£9.5 VG pomegranate, peppers, radish, coriander, yoghurt dressing

Quinoa Salad £9/£16 VG baby gem, broad beans, peas, peach, orange dressing

Caesar salad £8.5 /£9.5 add chicken £4.5 / add prawns £6.5

Confit duck & duck liver terrine £12.5 brioche, pear chutney

> Whole jumbo prawns £14.5 Marie Rose sauce

Colchester rock Oysters 1/2 dozen £16.5 | dozen £29.5

Monday - Friday 12pm - 3pm / 9pm to close

# DAILY LUNCH SPECIALS & POST THEATRE £15\*

## Monday

Chilli beef Currywurst

curried tomato sauce, fries, house sauce

Cauliflower Steak VG

capers, lemon, tomato, parsley, sweet potato fries, lemon chilli aioli

### **Tuesday**

Lamb curry,

lemongrass basmati rice, Greek yoghurt, coriander

Red spinach ricotta tortellini V roasted parmesan sauce, pine nuts

### Wednesday

Beef bourguignon

potato mousseline, carrots, mushrooms, bacon

Roasted aubergine & heritage carrot V quinoa, cherry tomatoes, yoghurt herb dip

## **Thursday**

Buttermilk Chicken Burger & Chips Cheddar, romaine lettuce, crispy onions, house sauce, Brezel bun

Chickpea & lentil burger & Chips

vegan Cheddar, romaine lettuce, crispy onions, house sauce, Brezel bun

Fish & chips

Peterhead haddock, peas, malt vinegar, tartare sauce

Spring Pea Risotto VG broad beans, confit cherry tomatoes

Including a glass of our sommelier suggested wine...

ASTER CLASSICS

Currywurst, curry infused pork sausage, curried tomato sauce,

triple cooked chips, house sauce £12.8

Burger, Prime US beef, dry cured crispy bacon, Cheddar, romaine lettuce, crispy onions, house sauce, bun £12.5

Fish & chips, Peterhead haddock, peas, malt vinegar, tartare sauce £18.5

Chicken Schnitzel, rocket, beans, sundried tomato,

sweet potato fries, red wine jus £18.5

Vienna Schnitzel, veal, warm potato salad, lingonberry compote £26.5

# SHARING MAINS -

SHARING STARTERS

Gardener board

Smoked beetroot hummus, sweet & sour aubergine,

arancini, goat's cheese mousse £16 v

Carnivore board

Chorizo, fennel salami, duck liver terrine, pork roll, pickles £16

Fisher man board

Matjes, shrimp cocktail, smoked salmon rillette, smoked cod roe £16

All boards are served with crispy bread

MAINS

Lamb curry, lemongrass basmati rice, Greek yoghurt, coriander £18.5

Grilled salmon, tender stem broccoli, chilli, garlic, brown shrimp £24.5

Native Lobster Linguini, cherry tomatoes, lobster bisque, fresh parsley £28.5

Lemon sole meuniere, off the bone, confit potatoes, green beans £24.5

Butterfly whole Seabass, sauce vierge, citrus, écrasé potatoes £24.5

42 days dry aged 300g Native breed, grass fed beef rib eye £29.5

sauces: béarnaise, peppercorn or red wine jus

Homemade red spinach ricotta tortellini, roasted parmesan sauce, pine nuts £15.5 V

Cauliflower steak, capers, lemon, tomato, parsley, sweet potato fries, lemon chilli aioli £16.5 vo

Roasted aubergine & vegetable crisps, quinoa, cherry tomatoes, yoghurt herb dip £17.5 vg

Chickpea & lentil Burger, vegan Cheddar, romaine lettuce, crispy onions, house sauce, Brezel bun £14.5 VG

Whole Roasted Sutton Hoo Free Range Chicken £22.5pp rosemary, lemon

1500gr Native breed grass fed beef tomahawk £39.5pp 2 sides of your choice bearnaise, peppercorn or red wine jus

## SIDES £4.5

Triple cooked chips

Spinach

Cucumber salad sour cream & dill

Sweet potato fries

Mash Potato

Green salad Green beans Skinny Fries

# **DESSERTS & CAKES**

Raspberry mille-feuille £7.5 rose water marinated raspberries, crème pâtissière, raspberry sorbet

Coconut panna cotta £7.5 spiced pineapple, coconut snow, crumble, sorbet

> Farmhouse cheeses £11.5 selection of pasteurized and unpasteurized cheeses

# ICE COUPES

## Black Forest £7.5

cherry compote, vanilla & chocolate ice cream, crumble, Chantilly cream

## Tropical £7.5

mango& passion fruit sorbet, mango salsa, pineapple crisp, Chantilly cream

Strawberry & Elderflower £7.5 marinated strawberries, lemon cream, crumble, Chantilly cream

caramelised popcorn Marinated strawberries £7.5

Twice-baked cheesecake £6.5

blueberry compote

Warm apple strudel £7 vanilla sauce

Fresh seasonal fruit salad £6.5

passion fruit sorbet

Chocolate & hazelnut praline £7.5

marinated oranges, vanilla ice cream,

yoghurt sponge, milk crumble, white chocolate ganache, fennel flowers

(VG) -suitable for vegan requirements / (V)- suitable for vegetarian requirements For allergies and dietary requirements, please speak to your waiter before ordering. Please be aware that traces of allergens used in the kitchen maybe present. Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish or eggs and unpasteurized cheese may increase your risk of foodborne illness, especially if you have certain medical conditions. A discretionary 12.5% service charge will be added to your bill. All prices include VAT.



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