

THE BEST INDIAN RESTAURANTS IN LONDON

The London spice route is hotter than ever: new openings have introduced regional variations and fresh takes on traditional recipes - while old favourites are upping their game. Amandip Uppal, author of *Indian Made Easy* reveals the 15 best Indian restaurants in London

CHUTNEY MARY, St James's

BEST FOR: Weekend brunch

THE DISH TO ORDER: Baked venison samosa



After 25 years in Chelsea, the brilliantly smart Chutney Mary has found a new home in central St James's. Inside there's dark wood, vintage Indian rugs, bell-jar

chandeliers and fluted glass candelabras. And a completely new set of menus, with fluffy Akoori-Indian style scrambled eggs for brunch, and larger dishes of Afghani chicken tikka infused with fennel, cardamom and Himalayan mint, and a beautifully filleted sea bass with a spiced crispy glaze. There's also the option of pre-dinner drinks at the lavish Pukka bar, where the Watermelon Martini is a good place to start.

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