

Press Release

June 2021

Re-opening of the two-star Restaurant Le Meurice Alain Ducasse



There are always advantages to be drawn whatever the situation: during these long months, the teams at the Hôtel Le Meurice have had to reinvent themselves and see the positive side of this freeze frame by innovating, creating, discovering and, above all, by ceaselessly putting themselves into question. When the restaurants were closed **our new Chef, the young but far from inexperienced Amaury Bouhours**, didn't jam on the brakes but instead stepped on the accelerator: this perfectionist close to nature and lover of France gives pride of place to the seasons and the local growers who have been following him since his earliest days. He strives to pass on his taste and skills to young people and cannot wait to open the doors of the two-star **Restaurant Le Meurice Alain Ducasse** in the evening of **9 June** to enable the guests to savour a moment out of time.

Centre stage, the produce plays the leading role with surprising associations and delicate fragrances to titillate the five senses and find the perfect pairing.

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Behind the scenes, Amaury takes us off to Seine Saint-Denis to his kitchen garden jealously guarded by Parti Poétique, to the shores of the Channel to fish for seabass, to the Perche region to collect some Culoiselle poultry from Bénédicte, to a village in the Loire valley with a thousand souls to harvest vegetables, or even to Croisic to gather seaweed: a *Tour de France* of produce with irresistible flavours, a kaleidoscope of colours, and family stories just waiting to be told.

And as at Le Meurice we play a team game, the experience is only satisfying if everything is in perfect harmony, simply and straightforwardly falling into place... In the dining room, the newly appointed **Director of Le Meurice Alain Ducasse, Olivier Bikao**, is also hard at work. This young talent, a veteran of award-winning restaurants and also trained by Alain Ducasse – notably at his three-star restaurant at the Plaza Athénée – forms a dynamic duo with Amaury Bouhours and his team in the kitchen. For the perfect pairings, we can count on the enthusiasm of **Gabriel Veissaire**, our **sommelier from Auvergne** who previously worked with Guy Savoy, and whose childhood dream was to become a cook. And for the sweet part, there's no need to introduce **Cédric Grolet and his pastry chef François Deshayes**, who put all their ingenuity into finding the harmony that will round off the experience and be so bold as to propose something that you won't find anywhere else.



Practical information

Opening on Wednesday 9 June 2021

Le Restaurant Le Meurice Alain Ducasse is open from Monday to Friday from 9 to 8.30pm (until 30 June – bookings can be made until 9.30pm after 30 June)

Collection menu– €320 per person excluding drinks

Discovery menu– €250 per person excluding drinks

Booking: Restaurant.lmp@dorchestercollection.com // +33 (0)1 44 58 10 55

Dress code: jacket required and tie recommended.

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