

Press release

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A 100% gourmet forest

Angelo Musa, a winner of the World Pastry Cup and the Best Craftsman of France award, and **Alexandre Dufeu**, pastry chef at the Hôtel Plaza Athénée, have come up with a **100% gourmet creation to share** for Christmas!



Especially for the Hôtel Plaza Athénée, Angelo Musa and Alexandre Dufeu have created not a Yule log for Christmas this year, but a whole forest to share!

They had fun recreating a charming pine forest which is exquisitely decorated in white and made up of seven fir trees!

Although they come in a range of different shapes, the **snow-covered conifers** all offer a combination of flavours and textures that are identical, those of **100% Vanilla**, a signature dessert of the Hôtel Plaza Athénée which was created by Angelo Musa.

The undergrowth includes sparkling bushes that taste like chocolate sweets. Finally, the white base on which our “kings of the forest” proudly stand turns out to be a dark chocolate mediant bar covered with dried and crystallised fruit... the perfect way to round off this festive meal!

This is one forest that you’ll really enjoy chopping down, without having to feel guilty!

Serves: 7 people

Price: €120 incl. all taxes

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About Angelo Musa:

Born in 1970 in Nancy, pastry chef Angelo Musa graduated from Metz School of Catering. After winning the Cup of France (2001), he went on to win the World Pastry Cup in 2003. He trained at the Pâtisserie Bourguignon in Metz and then at the Relais Desserts Oberweis in Luxembourg before going to Pascal Caffet's Palais du Chocolat in Troyes. Since 2007, he has held the prestigious title of "One of France's Best Craftsmen". In March 2008, he created the consultancy firm Papilio Conseil, which enabled him to help Thierry Tessier and Philippe Conticini to set up two Pâtisserie des Rêves shops in the 7th and 16th arrondissements of Paris and, more recently, to gain the position of Executive Pastry Chef which he now holds at the Hôtel Plaza Athénée.

About Alexandre Dufeu:

Originally from Rennes, Alexandre Dufeu began his career at a neighbourhood shop where he gained his CAP. He then joined Les Thermes Marins de Saint-Malo as a demi-chef de partie before coming to the Hôtel Plaza Athénée in 2012. He gradually rose up the ranks with Christophe Michalak and Jean-Marie Hibleot before replacing the latter as pastry chef in November 2015.

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