

Mosaic hits the big time

RESTAURANT: RATED BY *LA LISTE* AS THE BEST EATERY IN SOUTH AFRICA WITH A SCORE OF 94

» Two local establishments feature in top 200.

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After bowing out from the running at the Eat Out Awards this year, Restaurant Mosaic at The Orient is now a global competitor when it comes to food destinations, along with The Test Kitchen.

The two restaurants feature in the top 200 of the latest *La Liste*. Eleven South African res-

taurants feature on the list this year, and as *La Liste* is considered as one of best curated and scored restaurant guides, it's quite an achievement.

Chef Chantel Dartnall from Restaurant Mosaic was among 60 top chefs from around the globe invited to attend the annual *La Liste* World Restaurant Awards in Paris last week, where Mosaic was named the official country winner and highest-ranking restaurant in SA with a score of 94.

1. Restaurant Mosaic

► *La Liste* score: 94.00

Price: R1 095 for the Market Degustation menu without wine or nonalcoholic pairings.

Menu: Called Sakura, it is in-

spired by the cherry blossoms in Japan, symbolising renewal and optimism.

Stand-out dishes include the first course's Oysters and Pearls with Knysna oysters, tapioca and Caviar d'Aquitaine; and Ohmi Wagyu, featuring P u r d o n Wagyu Angus beef, braised tongue and caramelised sweet-breads.

A favourite at Mosaic is the bread selection with *Mos Bolletjies* and the restaurant's signature anchovy butter always

getting "oohs" and "ahhs".

2. The Test Kitchen

► *La Liste* score: 94.00

Price: R2 050 for The Light Room menu with no wine or tea pairings.

Menu: Dishes include Lobster salad, *Pap en Vleis* and butter-poached kingklip with chestnut jam.

3. La Colombe

► *La Liste* score: 90.50

Price: Reduced chef's lunch menu starts at R1 300 with no pairings.

Menu: Starting with a lamb roti with burned lime, to mus-

sels with passion fruit and Kerala-style duck.

4. Greenhouse - at Cellars-Hohenort

► *La Liste* score: 90.50

Price: R550 for the lunch menu with no pairings.

Menu: With an amazing start of False Bay canapes, the a la carte selections is diverse, including flavourful dishes for vegetarians. You get a first course, mains and dessert, ending with greenhouse petit fours.

5. Wolfgat

► *La Liste* score: 89.50

Price: R850 with no pairings. Menu: Kobus van der Merwe's signature Strandveld food menu comprises a series of tasting dishes presented in seven courses.

What other SA restaurants on La Liste cost

Camphors

► *La Liste* score: 87.50.

Price: R645 for a reduced tasting menu with no pairings.

The Restaurant at Waterkloof

► *La Liste* score: 83.00

Price: R850 for four-course tasting menu.

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► *La Liste* score: 83.00

Price: R650 for four-course lunch menu.

The Pot Luck Club

► *La Liste* score: 82.50

Price: Under R200 for a main course (tapas-style menu).

Indochine at Delaire Graff Estate

► *La Liste* score: 79.50

Price: R955 for nine-course selection.



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