



THE RITZ LONDON

## THE RITZ LONDON TO REOPEN DINING



**London, Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2020:** The Ritz, Piccadilly's iconic Grande Dame hotel, today announces the reopening of its famous revolving door.

On Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July, the gilded Palm Court will reopen for the world-renowned Afternoon Tea, and on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July, the Michelin-starred Ritz Restaurant, including The Ritz Restaurant Terrace, will be opening for lunch and dinner service, as well as the elegant Secret Garden, secluded behind Green Park, for all day al fresco dining and drinks.

Commenting on the announcement, Sal Gowili, General Manager of The Ritz said; "We're incredibly happy to start reopening our restaurants at The Ritz from Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July. One of life's most enjoyable pleasures is to share delicious food and drink around the table in the company of family and friends. We've deeply missed connecting with our guests in person whilst The Ritz has been closed. It will be wonderful to have this opportunity once again, to be able to take excellent care of our guests and to provide a safe environment with some beautiful al fresco spaces, to celebrate summer in London at its best".

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The Ritz is committed to the safety of its guests and colleagues, and in response to today's new challenges, a host of strict new hygiene and cleaning protocols and social distancing measures are being implemented by The Ritz team, in line with government advice at every step, to ensure that the hotel's clients receive the world-class, warm Ritz service with the ease of mind that the hotel is as safe as possible.

### **AFTERNOON TEA IN THE PALM COURT:**

Afternoon Tea at The Ritz is a quintessentially British experience, offering a selection of house-made finely cut finger sandwiches, freshly baked plain and raisin scones with Cornish clotted cream and strawberry preserve and a range of exquisitely presented French pastries and tea cakes. A choice of 18 different types of loose-leaf tea are available as well as a range of Champagnes to add additional sparkle.

- From 18<sup>th</sup> July 2020, Afternoon Tea will be served daily at 11.30am, 1.30pm, 3.30pm, 5.30pm, and 7.30pm.
- Traditional Afternoon Tea starts from £61 per person for adults (and £40 per child).
- The Palm Court operates a formal dress code and gentlemen are required to wear a jacket and tie. Jeans and sportswear are not permitted for either ladies or gentlemen.
- There is a maximum table size of 8 people in the Palm Court.

### **THE MICHELIN-STARRED RITZ RESTAURANT AND THE RITZ RESTAURANT TERRACE:**

The Ritz Restaurant is one of the most beautiful dining rooms in the world and The Restaurant Terrace offers a private patio featuring vast parasols, a mosaic floor and vibrant floral boxes. Drawing inspiration from classic dishes and continuing to build on the principles of Auguste Escoffier, Executive Chef John Williams MBE and his brigade are back in the Ritz Kitchen, using the very best quality British produce in season within their menus.

- From 27<sup>th</sup> July 2020, The Ritz Restaurant will be open daily for lunch service, from 12.30pm to 2.15pm, and for dinner service, from 5.30pm to 10.00pm.
- From 27<sup>th</sup> July 2020, The Ritz Restaurant Terrace will be open daily (weather permitting), from 12.30pm to 11.30pm on Monday to Saturday and from 12.30pm to 10.30pm on Sundays. Lunch service will be available from 12.30pm to 2.15pm, and dinner service from 5.30pm to 10.00pm. Outside of the service times, a full bar menu will be available on The Terrace.
- Advance reservations will be in operation in The Ritz Restaurant Terrace for lunch and dinner. A walk-in policy will be in operation outside of service times on a first come, first serve basis on The Restaurant Terrace.
- The Ritz Restaurant and Ritz Restaurant Terrace operate a formal dress code and gentlemen are required to wear a jacket and tie. Jeans and sportswear are not permitted for either ladies or gentlemen.



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### THE SECRET GARDEN:

Seductively hidden, The Secret Garden is a secluded stylish oasis for guests to drink and dine al fresco. Designed with trimmed topiary, olive trees and fragrant lavender pots, it is the perfect spot for a sunny lunch or an afternoon spent sipping cocktails. During the evening, the garden is lit with twinkling lights and candles, and soft background music plays. A full bar menu is available throughout the day and evening, showcasing a collection of seasonal cocktails and an impressive selection of wines and Champagnes, as well as classic dishes such as the Ritz Classic Club Sandwich and the Ritz Caesar Salad. For cigar aficionados, a collection of premium and limited-edition cigars, including twelve different Ritz London Cigars, is also available for guests to enjoy in the garden.

- From 27<sup>th</sup> July 2020, The Secret Garden will be open daily (weather permitting), from 11.00am to 11.30pm on Monday to Saturday, and from 11.00am to 10.30pm on Sundays.
- A minimum spend of £21 per person applies to all tables.
- Guests must be 16 years of age or over.
- Smoking is permitted.
- There is a maximum table size of 8 people in The Secret Garden.
- A smart casual dress code is in operation and sportswear, trainers or shorts are not permitted.
- Reservations may be cancelled on the day should weather conditions restrict the garden from opening.
- Advance reservation and walk-in policies will be in operation and tables will be subject to availability.

For dining reservations, please contact our team on +44 (0)20 7300 2370, at [dining@theritzlondon.com](mailto:dining@theritzlondon.com) or at [www.theritzlondon.com](http://www.theritzlondon.com).

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### NOTES TO EDITORS:

#### ABOUT THE RITZ LONDON

The Ritz London, the iconic landmark conceived by renowned hotelier César Ritz, first opened its doors in 1906. Located in a landmark position in the heart of London's West End and adjacent to Royal Green Park, The Ritz is moments from the finest shopping destinations the Capital has to offer, including the boutiques of Bond Street and the unique and quintessentially British boutiques of Jermyn Street. Throughout its distinguished history, the iconic hotel has been at the heart of London society and continued to play host to Royalty, aristocracy, stars of stage and screen and countless other discerning guests. The first and only hotel to have received a Royal Warrant from His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales, The Ritz has deservedly taken its place amongst the great hotels of the world and is the benchmark by which other hotels are measured. The Ritz Restaurant was awarded a Michelin Star in the Michelin Guide Great Britain and Ireland 2017 for the first time.

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