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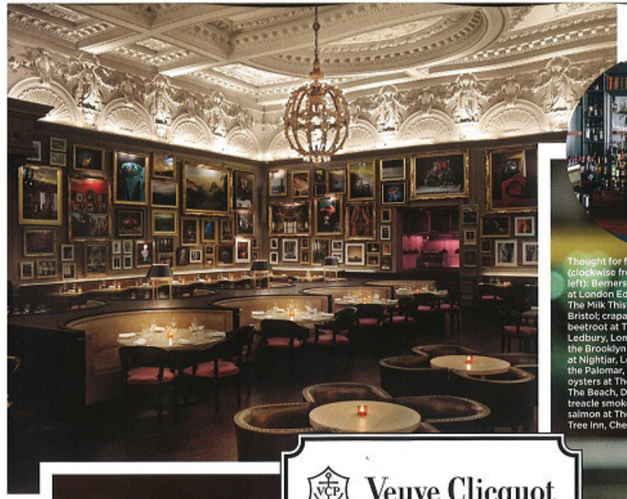

Thought for food (clockwise from top left): Berners Tavern at London Edition; The Milk Thistle, Bristol; crapaudine beetroot at The Ledbury, London; the Brooklyn cocktail at Nightjar, London; the Palomar, London; oysters at The Pig On The Beach, Dorset; treacle smoked salmon at The Yew Tree Inn, Cheshire

Veuve Clicquot PRESENTS BRITISH GQ FOOD & DRINK AWARDS 2015

From all corners of the country the votes have been cast, the nominations are in, and from thousands of entries, here is the shortlist for the inaugural ***GQ* Food & Drink Awards,** presented by **Veuve Clicquot**. It is now down to our panel of expert judges to decide who will win on the night at the awards ceremony to be held at the Bulgari Hotel, London, in April. Results will appear in the June issue of *GQ*.

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BEST *RESTAURANT*

- Café Murano (LONDON) *cafemurano.co.uk*
- Gymkhana (LONDON) *gymkhanalondon.com*
- L'Enclume (CARTMEL, CUMBRIA) *lenclume.co.uk*
- Restaurant Nathan Outlaw (ROCK, CORNWALL) nathan-outlaw.com
- The Ledbury (LONDON) *theledbury.com*
- The Palomar (LONDON) *thepalomar.co.uk*

BEST *BAR*

- Mr Fogg's (LONDON) *mr-foggs.com*
- Nightjar (LONDON) *barnightjar.com*
- The Connaught Bar (LONDON) *the-connaught.co.uk*
- The Devil's Advocate (EDINBURGH) *devilsadvocateedinburgh.co.uk*
- The Milk Thistle (BRISTOL) *milkthistlebristol.com*
- White Lyan (LONDON) *whitelyan.com*

BEST *CHEF*

- Jason Atherton *jasonatherton.co.uk*
- Nieves Barragán Mohacho *barrafina.co.uk*
- Angela Hartnett *schoolofhartnett.co.uk*
- Glynn Purnell *purnellsrestaurant.com*
- Tom Sellers *tomsellers.co.uk*
- Martin Wishart *martin-wishart.co.uk*

BEST *FRONT OF HOUSE*

- Jesus Adorno at Le Caprice *le-caprice.co.uk*
- David Boyd at Sketch *sketch.london*
- Daniel Greenock at Marcus *marcus-wareing.com*
- Diego Masciaga at The Waterside Inn *waterside-inn.co.uk*
- Matthew Mawtus at Pollen Street Social *pollenstreetsocial.com*
- Darius Namdar at The Colony Grill Room *colonygrillroom.com*

BEST *SOMMELIER*

- David Galetti at Le Gavroche *le-gavroche.co.uk*
- Stefan Neumann at Dinner By Heston Blumenthal *dinnerbyheston.com*
- Laure Patry at Pollen Street Social *pollenstreetsocial.com*
- Adam Pawlowski at Northcote *northcote.com*
- Michael & Charlotte Sager-Wilde at Sager+Wilde and Mission) *sagerandwilde.com*
- Michael Simms at Sartoria *sartoria-restaurant.co.uk*

BEST *INTERIOR*

- Berners Tavern (AT LONDON EDITION) *bernerstavern.com*
- Coworth Park *dorchestercollection.com/coworth*
- Fera (AT CLARIDGE'S) *feraatclaridges.co.uk*
- Old Tom & English *oldtomandenglish.com*
- Scott's *scotts-restaurant.com*
- Sketch *sketch.london*

BEST *PUB*

- The Anglesea Arms (LONDON) *theangleseaarms.com*
- The Camberwell Arms (LONDON) *thecamberwellarms.co.uk*
- The Duke of Cumberland (HENLEY, WEST SUSSEX) *dukeofcumberland.com*
- The Lord Poulett Arms (HINTON-ST-GEORGE, SOMERSET) *lordpoulettarms.com*
- The White Horse (CHICHESTER, WEST SUSSEX) *thewhitehorse.co.uk*
- The Yew Tree Inn (BUNBURY, CHESHIRE) *theyewtreebunbury.com*

BEST *HOTEL*

- Claridge's (LONDON) *claridges.co.uk*
- Cromlix (DUNBLANE, PERTHSHIRE) *cromlix.com*
- Gidleigh Park (DEVON) *gidleigh.co.uk*
- The Beaumont (LONDON) *thebeaumont.com*
- The Merchant (BELFAST) *themerchanthotel.com*
- The Pig On The Beach (STUDLAND BAY, DORSET) *thepighotel.com*

The judges

Introducing GQ's panel of experts at the top of their fields in the worlds of food and drink, PR, retail and interior design

Tom Kerridge

Two-Michelin-star pubs simply did not exist before Kerridge opened **The Hand & Flowers**, and it remains the only pub in the world to hold that honour. (As the restaurant of GQ's Chef Of The Year 2014, The Hand & Flowers was not eligible to enter these awards.)

April Bloomfield

Birmingham-born chef Bloomfield is a star of the transatlantic food scene, having honed her craft at **Bibendum**, The River Café and California's Chez Panisse. She has earned Michelin stars for both The Spotted Pig and The Breslin gastropubs.

Matthew Freud

As arguably the most powerful man in **British public relations**, you can count on Freud to know a thing or two about wining and dining. The PR guru is the head of Freud Communications, whose clients include Soho House and the Gordon Ramsay Group.

Oliver Peyton

Not only did he re-invent London nightlife with his legendary **Atlantic Bar**, as the owner of the Peyton And Byrne group he is the man behind venues such as The Royal Academy's Grand Café. He is also a long-standing judge on the *Great British Menu*.

Justin Carter

Recently poached by café/bar group Loungers to manage their 50-plus UK sites, Carter's expertise spans the length and breadth of the country. Carter began his **entrepreneurial career** as the founder of The Elbow Room pool-bar chain.

Adam Hyman

Hyman is the founder of CODE **restaurant consultancy** and CODE Bulletin, an exclusive newsletter for food and drink insiders. Pored over by more than 2,000 of London's hospitality leaders, Hyman is regarded as the "eyes & ears of the industry".

Lord Rose

Former executive chairman of Marks & Spencer, Stuart Rose was knighted in 2008 and subsequently made a **life peer** in September 2014. Having also held CEO positions at Arcadia Group and Argos, Rose is a veritable titan of British business.

Matt Hobbs

Having worked his way up from toilet cleaner to manager at The Ivy, Hobbs went on to run front of house at Soho House New York and Scott's. He now finds himself in the esteemed position of being managing director at the legendary **Groucho Club**.

Tara Bernerd

From five-star hotels and private members clubs to super yachts and plush apartments, Bernerd is a virtuoso of **luxury design**. As the founder of interior architectural practice Tara Bernerd & Partners, her contemporary decor can be found across the globe.