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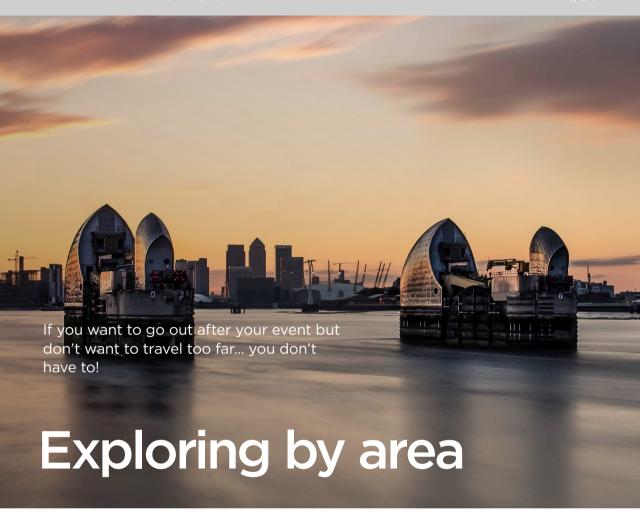


Hidden gems









O Canary Wharf

Canary Wharf, Europe's most vibrant business district, offers over 200 shops, cafés, bars and restaurants, as well as leisure facilities and an extensive arts and events programme.

How do I get there?

From ExCeL London take the DLR to Canning Town and change for Jubilee Line connections to Canary Wharf.

Journey time from ExCeL

10 minutes

www.mycanarywharf.com





West India Quay

Home to the Museum of London Docklands and a multiplex cinema, West India Quay is a great location to relax by the dockside at one of the many waterside bars and restaurants.

How do I get there?

Journey time from ExCeL

From ExCeL London take the DLR to Poplar and change for connections to West India Quay.





St Katharine Docks

Situated alongside Tower Bridge and the Tower of London, St Katharine Docks is an attractive waterside environment with a mixture of shops, bars and restaurants.

How do I get there?

From ExCeL London take the DLR direct to Tower Gateway.

Journey time from ExCeL

20 minutes

www.skdocks.co.uk



Wapping, Limehouse & Blackwall

Steeped in history; Wapping, Limehouse and Blackwall offer a range of different eateries and pubs from London's oldest riverside tavern, The Prospect of Whitby, to Gordon Ramsay's The Narrow.

How do I get there?

From ExCeL London take the DLR direct to Limehouse.

Journey time from ExCeL

25 minutes



O Greenwich

A World Heritage Site, Greenwich offers a variety of visitor attractions including London's oldest Royal Park, the National Maritime Museum and the Royal Observatory. There are also shops, markets and a variety of pubs and restaurants.

How do I get there?

From ExCeL London take the DLR to Poplar and change for a Lewisham bound train.

Disembark at Cutty Sark.

Journey time from ExCeL

30 minutes

www.greenwichwhs.org.uk

O The O2

Welcome to The World's Most Popular Music Venue! As well as the main arena, The O2 offers over 25 bars and restaurants, The indigo (a smaller live music club), an 11-screen cinema and attractions including The British Music Experience and Up at The O2.

How do I get there?

From ExCeL London take the DLR to Canning Town and change for Jubilee Line connections to North Greenwich. Alternatively take the Emirates Air Line Cable Car from ExCeL London direct to The O2.

Journey time from ExCeL

10 minutes

www.theo2.co.uk

Westfield Stratford City

Europe's largest urban shopping centre with over 300 shops, bars and restaurants, as well as a 14-screen cinema, bowling alley and a casino.

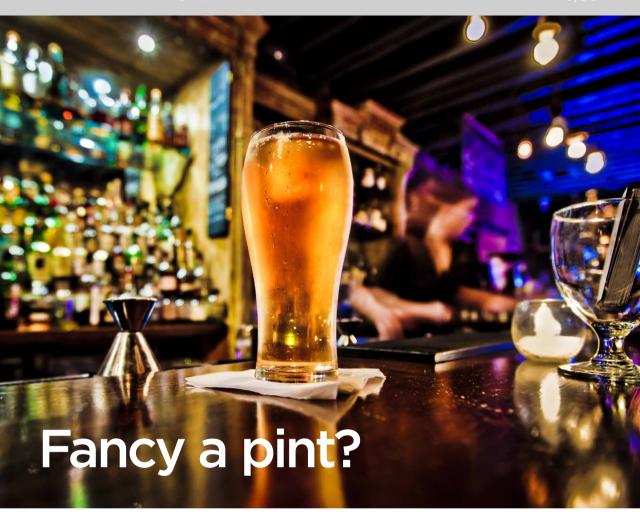
How do I get there?

From ExCeL London take the DLR direct to Stratford

Journey time from ExCeL 15 minutes

uk.westfield.com/ stratfordcity





Here are our top 5 recommendations for a post-event pint...

- O The Grapes
- The Guildford Arms
- () The Gun

- The Narrow, Limehouse
- Sports Bar & Grill Canary Wharf





The Grapes

Now owned by Sir Ian McKellen, this tavern has stood on the same ground for 500 years. It was frequented by Samuel Pepys and Charles Dickens and is said to be the inspiration for the opening of the Dickens classic 'Our Mutual Friend'. If you're looking for something quick and tasty like a pie and a pint, you'll find tempting pub grub in the downstairs bar.



76 Narrow Street London E14 8BP

thegrapes.co.uk

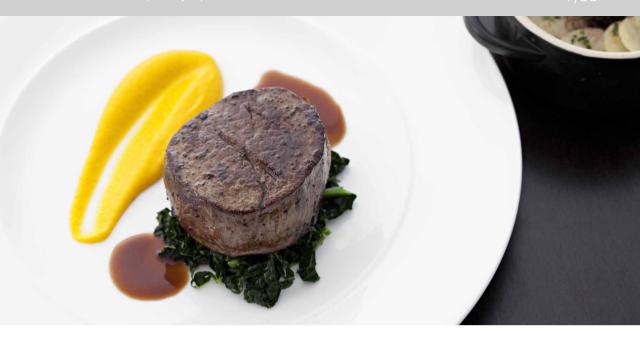
Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7987 4396

Journey time from ExCeL 15 minutes

Nearest DLR Limehouse





The Guildford Arms

The Guildford Arms is a handsome Georgian gastro-pub in Royal Greenwich. Serving modern British food, the venue also offers a beautiful sunken garden with a covered and heated terrace — the ideal retreat at the end of a busy day.



55 Guildford Grove Greenwich London SE10 8JY

theguildfordarms.co.uk

ExCeL offer

Complimentary glass of wine with dinner. Book in advance and quote "ExCeL London"

Journey time from ExCeL 30 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 8691 6293 mail@theguildfordarms.co.uk

Nearest DLR Deptford





The Gun

The Gun is a stunning grade II listed, early 19th century public house located on the banks of the Thames. Restored to its former glory, this historic venue boasts two bars, a restaurant, three private dining rooms, two snugs and an elegant all-weather riverside terrace.



27 Coldharbour London E14 9NS

www.thegundocklands.

ExCeL offer

Complimentary glass of Champagne on arrival for bookings in the restaurant (max 8 guests per reservation). Book in advance and quote "ExCeL London"

Journey time from ExCeL

15 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7515 5222 info@thegundocklands.com

Nearest DLR Blackwall





The Narrow, Limehouse

With panoramic views of the river Thames, Gordon Ramsay Group's The Narrow serves simple but elegant food sourced from the best British and European produce. Classic cocktails, wine and beers can be enjoyed in the bar or conservatory — ideal for post-event drinks.



44 Narrow Street London E14 8DP

www.thenarrow.co.uk

ExCeL offer

20% off the bill, book through the restaurant and quote "ExCeL at the Narrow" *Depending on the day and on availabilities

Journey time from ExCeL

15 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7592 7950 thenarrow@gordonramsay.com

Nearest DLR

Limehouse





Sports Bar & Grill — Canary Wharf

The multi award winning Sports Bar & Grill has recently arrived in Canary Wharf! The venue provides the perfect place to catch a game with British, American and European live sports broadcast every day. Open 7 days a week serving breakfast, an extensive dining menu, BeerDogs and Uber burgers.



Level O Crossrail Station & Retail Mall 1 Crossrail Place London E14 5AR

www.sportsbarandgrill.

ExCeL offer

First round of drinks are complimentary for group bookings of 20 people or more. Subject to T&C's

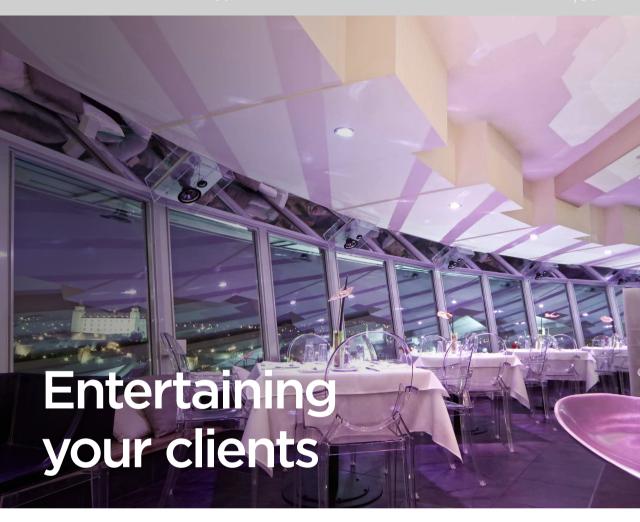
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Reservations

020 7715 9606 info@sportsbarandgrill.co.uk

Nearest DLR Canary Wharf



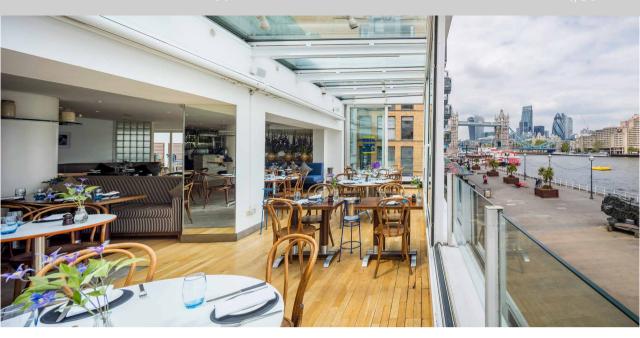


If you're looking to impress and entertain your clients on the doorstep of ExCeL here's where we would recommend...

- O Blueprint Café
- O Butlers Wharf Chop House
- Boisdale Canary Wharf
- Gaucho Canary
- One Canada Square

- O Plateau
- Pont de la Tour
- O ROKA Canary Wharf
- The Jones Family Project





Blueprint Café

Nestled on the first floor, Blueprint Café has magnificent views overlooking Canary Wharf to the East through Tower Bridge and the City to the West.

With floor-to-ceiling windows and neutral wooden floors, Blueprint Café is the perfect setting to experience the simple yet innovative cooking in the company of knowledgeable and friendly staff.

Cuisine: Modern European



London SE1 2YD

www.blueprintcafe.co.uk

ExCeL offer

Complimentary welcome drink on arrival*, an amuse bouche and a pre dessert. Book in advance and quote "ExCeL VIP" when booking.

*A house beer, glass of bubbles or soft drink

Journey time from ExCeL 20 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7378 7031 blueprintcafe@danddlondon.com

Nearest tube / DLR London Bridge/Tower Gateway





Butlers Wharf Chop House

As the name suggests Butlers Wharf Chop House Restaurant is just the place if you're in the mood for something meaty. Elegant without being stuffy, it's a relaxed riverside destination where provenance is key, with the likes of Select Butchery, London Oak smoked salmon, Colchester Rock Oysters and native lobster. Sit back and enjoy that famous view of Tower Bridge (from the terrace if you're lucky), you're in safe hands.

Cuisine: British/Steakhouse



36e Shad Thames, London, SE1 2YE

www.chophouse -restaurant.co.uk

ExCeL offer

Complimentary welcome drink on arrival*, an amuse bouche and a pre dessert. Book in advance and quote "ExCeL VIP" when booking.

*A house beer, glass of bubbles or soft drink

Journey time from ExCeL 20 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7403 3403 bwchophouse@danddlondon.com

Nearest tube / DLR London Bridge/Tower Gateway





Boisdale Canary Wharf

A lively restaurant serving traditional British cuisine, Boisdale also offers private dining for more intimate events. Under the guidance of Patron of Music, Jools Holland, the venue offers live music and regular jazz evenings, alongside an extensive whisky bar, caviar and oyster bar and a cigar library.

Cuisine: British



Cabot Place Canary Wharf London F14 4QT

www.boisdale.co.uk

ExCeL offer

Complimentary glass of Champagne on arrival. Book in advance and quote "ExCeL London"

Journey time from ExCeL 10 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7715 5818





Gaucho Canary

Commanding spectacular views of the River Thames, Gaucho Canary brings a continental feel to London's financial centre. With authentic Argentine cooking from the open kitchen, guests can enjoy a stylish and memorable evening. There is also large terrace, where diners are treated to unbeatable sunsets – ideal for alfresco dining.

Cuisine: Argentinian



29 Westferry Circus Canary Riverside London F14 8RR

www.gauchorestaurants.co.uk/restaurants/canary

ExCeL offer

Complimentary glass of Champagne on arrival. Book in advance and quote "ExCeL London"

Journey time from ExCeL 10 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7987 9494 canary@gaucho restaurants.com





One Canada Square

Located in the lobby of the iconic tower of the same name, One Canada Square is part of the award-winning ETM Group. With interiors by renowned architects David Collins Studio, guests can expect only the highest quality food, drink and service set against the most elegant of backdrops.

Cuisine: Modern European



One Canada Square Canary Wharf London F14 5AB

www.onecanadasquare restaurant.com

ExCeL offer

10% off the food bill and a complimentary glass of Prosecco on arrival (groups up to 8 people); a complimentary glass of Prosecco on arrival (parties over 8 people).

Pre-book and quote "ExCeL London"

Journey time from ExCeL

10 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7559 5199 info@ onecanadasquarerestaurant.com





Plateau

Plateau sits atop Canada Place opposite One Canada Square tower in Canary Wharf and offers captivating cityscape views. Opt for the elegant main restaurant or more informal bar and grill. Guests can enjoy the latest seasonal cocktails or relax on one of the two outdoor terraces.

Cuisine: Contemporary French



4th Floor Canada Place London F14 5FR

www.plateau-restaurant.

ExCeL offer

Complimentary welcome drink on arrival*, an amuse bouche and a pre dessert. Book in advance and quote "ExCeL VIP" when booking.

*A house beer, glass of bubbles or soft drink

Journey time from ExCeL 10 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7715 7100 plateaureservations@danddlondon.com





Le Pont de la Tour

A luxurious riverside destination with iconic views, Le Pont de la Tour combines traditional yet innovative French cuisine, knowledgeable and friendly staff, thoughtful design that evokes the Parisian chic of the 1930s and stunning views of the City and Tower Bridge.

Cuisine: French



36D Shad Thames London SE1 2YE

www.lepontdelatour. co.uk

ExCeL offer

Complimentary welcome drink on arrival*, an amuse bouche and a pre dessert. Book in advance and quote "ExCeL VIP" when booking.

*A house beer, glass of bubbles or soft drink

Journey time from ExCeL 20 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7403 8403 lepontres@danddlondon.com

Nearest tube / DLR London Bridge





ROKA Canary Wharf

Centred around the warmth and energy of the Robata grill, the decor at ROKA Canary Wharf comprises various textures and shades of natural wood, creating a warm and inviting environment.

The bar and lounge overlooks Canada Square and offers both table service and seating at the bar itself. The terrace adds another dimension to the dining experience at ROKA Canary Wharf. Introducing a relaxed lounge environment, the terrace offers guests the rare opportunity to enjoy the full ROKA experience outside overlooking Canada Square, amid the dramatic urban surroundings of Canary Wharf.

Cuisine: Modern European



4 Park Pavilion 40 Canada Square London F14 5FW

www.rokarestaurant.

ExCeL offer

15% discount on lunch or dinner, available Monday to Friday for parties of up to eight people. Please call the restaurant on +44 (0) 20 7636 5228 and quote 'ExCeL London' when booking. Subject to availability, not to be used in conjunction with any other offer.

Journey time from ExCeL

10 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7636 5228







The Jones Family Project

The Jones Family Project, situated close to Old Street station is an independently owned modern steak restaurant & cocktail bar. Their meat is sourced from highly reputable British farmers & butchers whilst their extensive and reasonable wine list offers over 100 varieties. Several flexible seating options are available from cosy booths for small groups to larger tables and semi-private areas.

Cuisine: Modern British



8 Great Eastern Street London EC2A 3JL

www.jonesfamilyproject. co.uk

ExCeL offer

A glass of Champagne for all diners on arrival. Guests can reserve an area at the bar for pre-dinner drinks or can opt to be served their Champagne at the table.

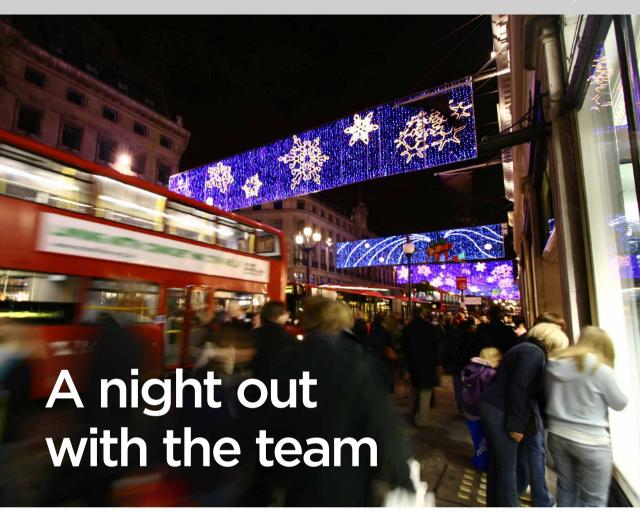
Journey time from ExCeL 30 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7739 1740 reservations@jonesfamilyproject.co.uk

Nearest tube / DLR Old Street





When all the hard work is done, you deserve a night out with your team! Here's where we would recommend...

- All Bar One at The O2
- Aster
- The Breakfast Club, Canary Wharf
- O Cantina Del Ponte
- O Chai Ki

- O Davy's Wine Bar
- Giant Robot
- The Lotus Chinese Floating Restaurant
- 🥎 Sri Nam
- Tom's Kitchen

View more





All Bar One at The O2

If you want to combine your team night out with a show at The O2, we recommend All Bar One for pre-event drinks and supper. Alternatively the venue is the ideal place to stay all night and relax with your colleagues over some sharing platters and cocktails.



Unit 2, The O2 Greenwich London SE10 ODX

www.allbarone.co.uk /all-bar-one-o2/

ExCeL offer

10% off drinks or 20% off food & drinks. Group bookings of 10 or more guests receive a complimentary bottle of bubbly or a mini masterclass session. Offer available upon presentation of a delegate or exhibitor badge. For group bookings, book in advance and quote "ExCeL London"

Journey time from ExCeL

10 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 8305 9522

Nearest tube

North Greenwich (Jubilee) or take the cable car direct from ExCeL to The O2





Aster

Welcome to Aster. the star of SW1. Restaurant, café, bar, deli and private dining spaces with all-day food and drink in Victoria's new Nova centre. Aster's Nordic/French food is inspired by Executive Chef Helena Puolakka's Finnish heritage and classic culinary training.



150 Victoria Street London SW1E 5LB

www.aster-restaurant

ExCeL offer

Complimentary welcome drink on arrival*, an amuse bouche and a pre dessert. Book in advance and quote "ExCeL VIP" when booking.

*A house beer, glass of bubbles or soft drink

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 3875 5555 info@aster-restaurant.com

Journey time from ExCeL 20 minutes

Nearest tube Victoria





The Breakfast Club, Canary Wharf

The giant disco ball hanging proudly in the entrance is a giveaway that this is a party venue – not one just for a fabulous all day breakfast. Having played host in the past, to legendary 90's bands such as the Vengaboys - this is a venue where you can whip off your ties, ditch the heels & let your hair down. Don't forget your appointment with the Dr. at their little secrets bar, Dr Kluger's Olde Towne Tavern.



Unit CR30, Level Zero, 1 Crossrail Place, Crossrail Station and Retail Mall E14 5AR

www.thebreakfastclub cafes.com

ExCeL offer

2 for 1 on draft beer & glasses of wine all night long at Dr Kluger's Bar, The Breakfast Club Canary Wharf. Offer valid Monday - Saturday from 4pm onwards. Quote 'ExCeL' in order to redeem the offer.

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7871 9986

Journey time from ExCeL 10 minutes





Cantina Del Ponte

A traditional Italian trattoria by the River Thames, offering the perfect spot for a quick bite of lunch or relaxed dinner. The interior of the restaurant is just as alluring as the setting: a mural of an Italian marketplace runs the length of the dining room while terracotta floor tiles and black and white 'metro' wall tiles give the place a cosmopolitan feel. A real continental experience in London Bridge.



36c Shad Thames, London SE1 2YE

www.cantinadelponte .co.uk

ExCeL offer

Complimentary welcome drink on arrival*, an amuse bouche and a pre dessert. Book in advance and quote "ExCeL VIP" when booking.

*A house beer, glass of bubbles or soft drink

Journey time from ExCeL 20 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7403 5403 cantina@danddlondon.com

Nearest tube / DLR London Bridge/Tower Gateway





Chai Ki

Launched in 2015, Chai Ki is situated in Crossrail Place, Canary Wharf. A versatile venue, open for breakfast, weekend brunch, lunch, drinks and dinner.

The restaurant is divided into two distinct areas, the Toddy Shop Bar serving an all-day menu offering bar plates and soul food to share. The second area is the Restaurant Dining Room, providing refined, modern experimental food in a contemporary setting.



Mall Level -1 Crossrail Place Canary Wharf London F14 5AR

www.chai-ki.com

ExCeL offer

15 minutes

Complimentary signature Bellini or House-Infused Pilsner when dining in the Toddy Shop or Restaurant.

Reservations

+44 (0)20 7408 7630

Journey time from ExCeL

Nearest tube/DLR

Canary Wharf (Jubilee / DLR) West India Quay (DLR)





Davy's Wine Bar

One of the oldest wine bars in Canary Wharf, Davy's is located on Fisherman's Walk, overlooking the water of West India Quay. During the day, the contemporary brasserie is the ideal place to sample delicious traditional British favourites and seasonal dishes. At night, Davy's is a vibrant wine, ale and port house. With it's four separate areas, 2 private rooms and huge outside area, Davy's is a fantastic venue for all manner of events, parties and private dining.

161-165 Greenwich High Road London SE10 8JA

www.davy.co.uk

ExCeL offer

A complimentary glass of Prosecco on arrival for lunch or dinner. Quote "ExCeL London" upon arrival

Journey time from ExCeL

10 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7363 6633

Nearest DLR

West India Quay





Giant Robot

An epic eating and drinking rooftopia in the heart of Canary Wharf. Sitting at the east end of London's biggest roof garden, the indoor venue is complete with four sensational street food traders, three brilliant bars, floor-to-ceiling windows with panoramic views and a huge, wraparound terrace for outdoor sunshine feasting in the summer months.



Garden Level, Crossrail Place, Canary Wharf, London F14 5AR

www.streetfeast.com/ visit-us/giant-robot

ExCeL offer

Check the After hours section of the website for latest offers from Giant Robot

Reservations

giantrobot@londonunion.com (+44) (0) 20 7719 1325

Journey time from ExCeL 10 minutes





The Lotus Chinese Floating Restaurant

The largest floating Chinese restaurant in the UK is a popular and unique venue for a team night out. The Lotus can cater for groups of all sizes, with classic cuisine from the Canton, Szechuan and Peking provinces of China. The Lotus also offers Dim Sum daily until 4:30pm.



9 Oakland Quay Inner Millwall Dock London F14 9FA

www.lotusfloating.

ExCeL offer

Complimentary glass of house wine with each Set Menu A, B or C. Book in advance and quote 'ExCeL London'

Journey time from ExCeL 20 minutes

Reservations

020 7515 6445 Banqueting & large parties, please email: lotus@lotusfloating.co.uk

Nearest DLR Crossharbour





Sri Nam

A contemporary restaurant serving authentic Thai and Pan Asian cuisine, Sri Nam brings a slice of Asian hospitality to Canary Wharf.

With original menus that present Asian cuisine in a unique way, such as cod Thai green curry, spicy tom yum, much beloved Pad Thai and many more chef specialities, guests can enjoy a memorable evening. Sri Nam is tailor made for business meetings and team get togethers, with an intimate bar area and curtained booths.



10 Cabot Square Canary Wharf London

www.srinamlondon.

ExCeL offer

20% off food at Sri Nam in the upstairs restaurant area for tables of up to eight people. Not valid during November/ December. Booking in advance is recommended.

T&C: Please advise staff members when ordering. The discount cannot be used in conjunction with other promotions or discounts. Subject to availability.

Journey time from ExCeL

10 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0)20 7715 9515







Tom's Kitchen

Serving British favourites and comfort food classics, this modern British restaurant includes a restaurant, bar and deli. Private and semi-private dining options are available throughout the building — perfect for a post-show team night out.



11 Westferry Circus London E14 4HD

www.tomskitchen.co. uk/canary-wharf

ExCeL offer

A complimentary glass of Prosecco on arrival, for up to 6 people for lunch or dinner. Book in advance and quote "ExCeL London"

Journey time from ExCeL

10 minutes

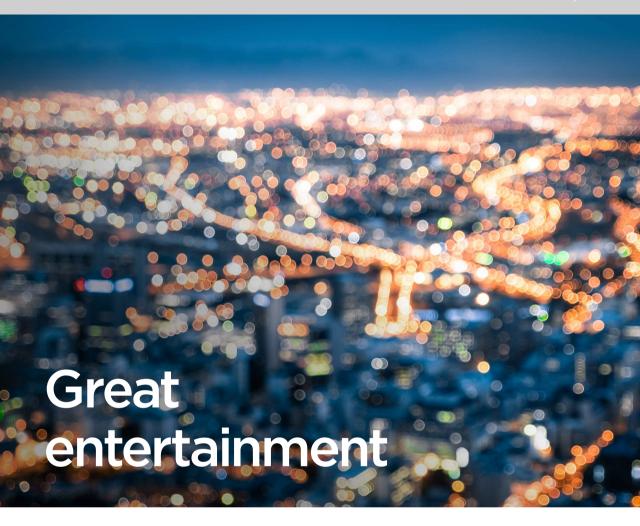
Reservations

+44 (0) 20 3011 1555 canarywharf@tomskitchen.co.uk

Nearest tube / DLR

Canary Wharf (Jubilee / DLR) or Westferry (DLR)





From comedy and bowling to world class theatre and entertainment, here are our top recommendations...

- Backyard Comedy Club
- o indigo at The 02
- Bateaux London
- Society of London Theatre
- © Everyman Cinema





Backyard Comedy Club

A major part of the social scene in East London, Backyard Comedy Club have a reputation for great laughs and good value. In addition to stand-up comedy, they also host many other events such as variety shows, cabaret, swing dancing and charity events. A great way to spend your evening relaxing and sharing some laughs with fellow colleagues.



231 Cambridge Heath Road Bethnal Green London E2 OEL

www.backyardcomedyclub .co.uk

ExCeL offer

Offer: 10% discount on group booking; Pre-book and quote "ExCeL London"

Journey time from ExCeL

35 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7729 8424 info@backyardcomedyclub.co.uk

Nearest tube

Bethnal Green (Central)





Bateaux London

See London's best sights on the river without even leaving your seat. Bateaux London is a Thames dining cruise experience ideal for enjoying the capital at night. On a two-and-three-quarter hour dinner cruise guests can expect a welcome drink, four - five course menu and live entertainment playing throughout.



Embankment Pier Victoria Embankment London WC2N 6NU

www.bateauxlondon.

ExCeL offer

15% off dining cruises. Book in advance and quote "ExCeL London." Please note offer is on an introductory basis and is subject to availability.

Journey time from ExCeL 30 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7695 1809 sales@bateauxlondon.com

Nearest tube

Embankment (Jubilee /Circle/District/DLR)





Everyman Cinema

Everyman Canary Wharf is situated in the new Crossrail Place development, featuring three screens and a capacious, stylish statement bar.

A unique experience, Everyman's aim is to offer individuality with its trademark seating, outstanding customer service and delicious food. The broad and exciting programme combines carefully chosen new releases alongside a curated film schedule and an array of exclusive live events.



Crossrail Place Level -2 Canary Wharf London E14 5AR

www.everymancinema. com/canary-wharf

ExCeL offer

Enjoy 2 for 1 pizzas on a Monday (excluding Bank Holidays and 28th December)

Journey time from ExCeL 10 minutes

Reservations

+44 (0) 7711 596 945 ammie.stowell@ everymangroup.com

Nearest tube

Canary Wharf (DLR/Jubilee)





indigo at The O2

If you're looking to host a great night out with a variety of choice, then look no further than indigo at The O2. Also known as The O2's little sister, indigo at The O2 offers a whole host of entertainment from live music events to stand-up comedy and after parties.

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 8463 2700 bookings@indigoattheo2.co.uk

Journey time from ExCeL 10 minutes

Nearest tube

North Greenwich (Jubilee) or take cable car direct from ExCeL to The O2



The 02 Peninsula Square, Greenwich London SE10 ODX

www.theo2.co.uk/do-more-at-the-o2/indigo-at-the-o2





Society of London Theatre

Visit www.officiallondontheatre.co.uk for the latest news, behind the scenes features and What's On listings. Plus, you can secure tickets online for all the major West End shows, take advantage of exclusive ticket offers, hotel and meal packages and find out more about assisted performances. You can also grab a bargain in person at the TKTS booth in Leicester Square, which offers discounted tickets to many of London's hottest shows.



32 Rose Street London WC2F 9FT

www.solt.co.uk

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7557 6700 victoria@solttma.co.uk

Journey time from ExCeL 10 minutes





From all the places you simply have to see in London, here are our top recommendations...

- O British Museum
- O Coca-Cola London Eye
- St Paul's Cathedral
- National Gallery
- Natural History Museum

- O Science Museum
- Tate Modern
- O Victoria & Albert Museum
- Westminster Abbey





British Museum

The British Museum holds, in trust for the nation and the world, a collection of art and antiquities from ancient and living cultures. Housed in one of Britain's architectural landmarks, the collection is one of the finest in existence, spanning two million years of history.

Our tip

As there is so much to see, it is well worth taking the 90 minute guided tour.

www.britishmuseum.org





Coca-Cola London Eye

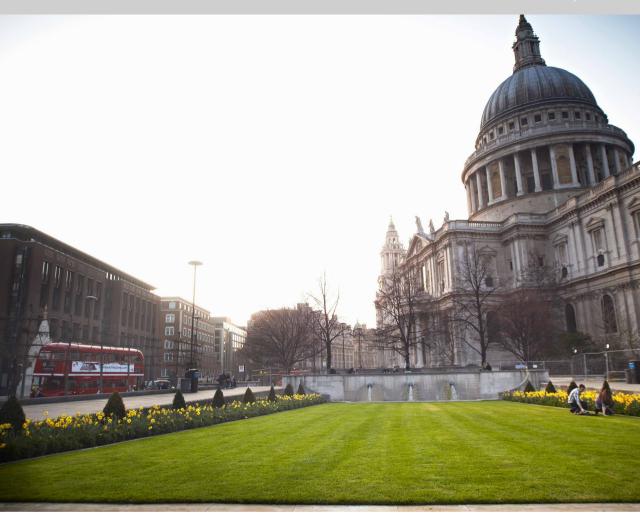
Since opening in March 2000, Coca-Cola London Eye has become an iconic landmark and a symbol of London. Situated on the South Bank of the River Thames, with imposing views over London, it is Europe's largest ferris wheel. The design was used as a metaphor for the end of the 20th century and time turning into the new millennium.

Our tip

Check the weather before booking your rotation as the views are much better on a clear day/evening.

www.londoneye.com





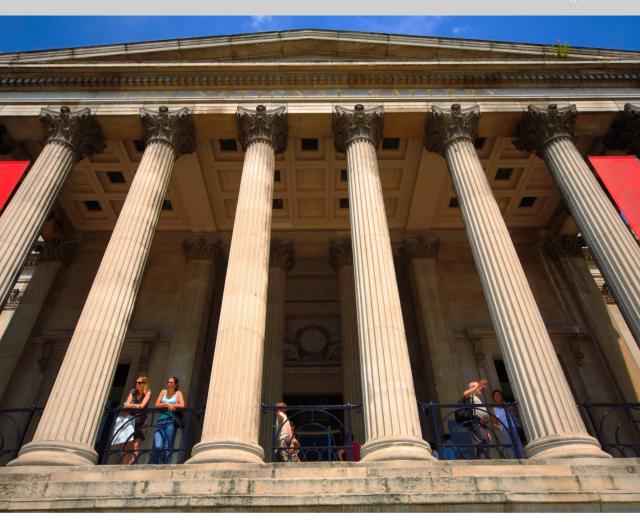
St Paul's Cathedral

Sitting at the top of Ludgate Hill, the highest point in the City of London, this much loved cathedral is one of the most famous and recognisable buildings in London. Designed by the world renowned architect Sir Christopher Wren, notable services have included the launch of the Festival of Britain, The Diamond Jubilee for Queen Elizabeth and the wedding of the Prince of Wales and Lady Diana Spencer.

Our tip

Climb up to the famous Whispering Gallery or higher still to the Stone Gallery or Golden Gallery for amazing views across London. www.stpauls.co.uk





National Gallery

First opened in 1838, The National Gallery houses the largest national collection of paintings in Western Europe including works from Monet and Rembrandt. Since 1989, the gallery has run a scheme that gives a studio to contemporary artists to create work based on the permanent collection.

Our tip

Start your visit by using ArtStart. It offers themed tours allowing you to choose ten paintings you would most like to see and then prints a map of where they are in the Gallery!

www.nationalgallery.org.uk





Natural History Museum

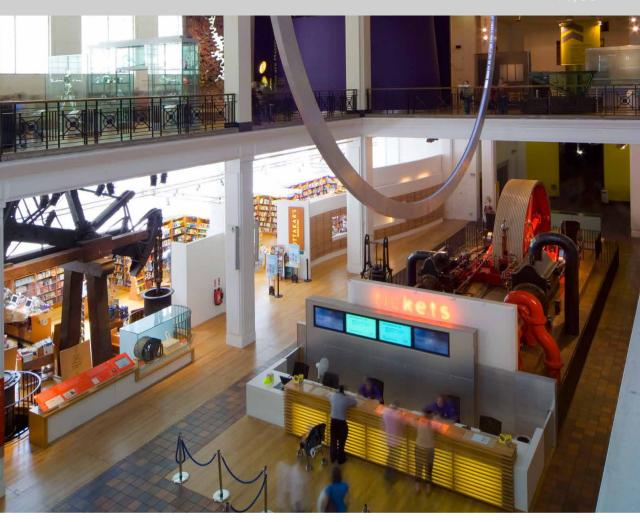
Home to more than 80 million specimens, spanning thousands of years, including the skeleton of a blue whale, this world-famous museum is based in South Kensington. As well as the exhibits, most notable being the Dinosaur collection, the museum is also a leading science research centre with over 350 scientists based there.

Our tip

Take a look at the Victorian mosaic floor when you enter the Museum. It was all built by hand and is repaired by two staff at 5am almost every day.

www.nhm.ac.uk





Science Museum

The Science Museum was founded in 1857 as part of the South Kensington Museum. Today the Museum is world renowned for its historic collections, awe-inspiring galleries and inspirational exhibitions.

Our tip

Pick up a map at the entrance as it is a large museum to navigate without one.

www.sciencemuseum.org. uk







Tate Modern

Created in 2000 and based in a disused power station, the museum has become world renowned for its modern and contemporary art with collections from all movements including Pop art and Conceptual art. With a surprise around every corner, this gallery never fails to impress.

Our tip

The galleries are quietest at opening times (shhhh).

www.tate.org.uk





Tower of London

Steeped in history dating back to its founder, William the Conqueror (1066-87), Her Majesty's Royal Palace and Fortress is renowned for not only it's bloody tales, but also for being a trusted home to the priceless Crown Jewels, extensive armoury, historic prison and the true custodians of the Tower — "The Beefeaters".

Our tip

Booking online gives you a ticket that is valid for 7 days from the date you selected, so if your plans change, you don't lose out. www.hrp.org.uk/ TowerOfLondon





Victoria & Albert Museum

Affectionately known as The V&A, this beautiful museum holds the proud status of being the world's largest museum of decorative arts and design, housing a permanent collection of over 4.5 million objects. A true benchmark for the design, fashion and creative industry, exhibitions have included showcases from McQueen, Valentino and the museum is host to the London Design Festival.

Our tip

Explore the museum with glass in hand on a Friday night when you can enjoy late night opening times.

www.vam.ac.uk





Westminster Abbey

A must see pageant of British History, the Abbey, which is over 1,000 years old, is the official coronation Church of England where every monarch since William Conqueror has been crowned. Renowned for it's architectural splendour, the Abbey is a treasure house of paintings, stained glass, pavements and textiles and is also a place of daily worship.

Our tip

On Sundays the Abbey is not open to visitors but you can join a service instead.

www.westminster-abbey.





If you're looking to discover something in London that you won't find on the tourist trail, here are our top recommendations...

O Gordon's Wine Bar

St Christopher's Place

Wilton's Music Hall

O Borough Market





Gordon's Wine Bar

Tucked away a few metres from the hustle and bustle of The Strand and a few moments' walk from Embankment tube is what is thought to be London's oldest wine bar. With its rustic charm and cosy hidden corners, this enchanting bar is notorious for not only the extensive wine list but also for its selection of delicious cheeses.



47 Villiers Street London WC2N 6NE

www.gordonswinebar .com

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7930 1408

Journey time from ExCeL 25 minutes

Nearest tube

Embankment (District & Circle / Northern / Bakerloo)







Wilton's Music Hall

Situated in the heart of the East End, Wilton's is the world's oldest surviving Grand Music Hall. This lively yet hugely romantic setting encompasses a living theatre, concert hall and public bar with a diverse set of performances showcasing everything from opera to puppetry, cabaret to dance. Definitely one of London's best kept secrets.



1 Grace's Alley London E1 8JB

www.wiltons.org.uk

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7702 2789

Journey time from ExCeL 20 minutes

Nearest DLR Shadwell / Tower Gateway







St Christopher's Place

A sharp turn off Oxford Street and you'll find yourself meandering along a very small side street of pretty lights leading to a square where there's an eclectic mix of shops, boutiques and restaurants. A true hidden gem where dining al-fresco in the summer months is highly recommended.



23 Barrett Street, London W1U 1BF

www.stchristopherspl ace.com

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7493 3294

Journey time from ExCeL 20 minutes

Nearest tube

Bond Street (Jubilee / Central)





Borough Market

Dating back to the thirteenth century, Borough is London's oldest market and is a must see for any foodies that wish to explore the gourmet goods of current times. From artisan cheeses to organic fruit and veg, fish, meat and cakes, this market has it all. Our tip would be to make sure you start off with an empty stomach as there are plenty of tasty goods to sample en-route.



8 Southwark Street London SE1 1TL

www.boroughmarket. org.uk

Reservations

+44 (0) 20 7407 1002

Journey time from ExCeL 15 minutes

Nearest tube

London Bridge (Jubilee / Northern)

www.excel.london

