

# Culinary splendour

Colonel Saab, an award-winning restaurant where Indian gastronomy meets fine art, is set to unveil its opulent second outpost in London's Trafalgar Square



**N**ovember in London is a month known for its early Christmas lights and cold winds, but this year, the heart of the city will be warmed by something far more enticing. Colonel Saab, an Indian dining experience that has garnered widespread acclaim, is opening its second, even more luxurious establishment in the iconic Trafalgar Square.

Following the meteoric rise of its original location in Holborn – a success underpinned by numerous accolades and a clientele of luminaries – the brand is poised to further elevate London's burgeoning food scene.

## The tapestry of Colonel Saab

When Roop Partap Choudhary envisioned Colonel Saab, he sought to pay homage not just to his family's rich history, but also to India's culinary diversity. Thus, the restaurant has always been more than a place to dine; it is an immersive experience.



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## PROMOTIONAL FEATURE



And with this latest Trafalgar Square outpost, Colonel Saab promises a spatial layout that is an aesthetic delight in itself. The restaurant will feature a chic bar, a sumptuously appointed lounge area, a grand dining room aglow with the ornate chandeliers of Firozabad, and an elevated mezzanine level.

For patrons seeking a touch of exclusivity, two private dining rooms will be available, each replete with a curated selection of fine art and opulent décor.

### A culinary institution

Colonel Saab isn't your typical Indian restaurant; it is an institution that stands in a league of its own. The restaurant has been lauded as one of Forbes' top Indian eateries and has scooped an array of honours including the Asian Curry Awards' Newcomer of the Year, TripAdvisor's Travellers Choice, and Harden's Certificate of Achievement.

The restaurant has not only enchanted casual diners but also captivated a host of celebrities, including Nobel Laureate Malala Yousafzai, pop icons, TV luminaries, and even heads of state.

### Embarking on a gastronomic adventure

The culinary ethos of Colonel Saab is deeply influenced by the Choudhary family's rich tapestry of experiences, shaped initially by Colonel Manbeer's distinguished military career before he transitioned into a successful hotelier.

As the family travelled extensively across India's vast landscape, they were introduced to a plethora of regional flavours and culinary traditions. These experiences are lovingly woven into Colonel Saab's diverse menu.

Whether it's savouring a traditional Rajasthani meal evoking a desert encampment, or a British-influenced Indian breakfast echoing the officers' messes of yesteryears, every dish tells a story. Now, Colonel Manbeer's son, Roop Partap Choudhary, has taken on the mantle of managing the family's growing hospitality empire, which includes the exquisite Noormahal Palace in Karnal, along with the two Colonel Saab restaurants in London, thereby ensuring the family's legacy continues to enchant and inspire.

### Menu: A fusion of old and new

Colonel Saab challenges culinary norms with its all-day dining menu that offers both innovative and traditional delights. From British and Indian fusion afternoon high teas to quintessential Indian dishes like Sunday Lamb Curry, Falahari Curry Kofta, and Gutti Vankaya – a luxurious dish featuring baby aubergines bathed in a tangy tamarind gravy – the culinary choices are a feast for the senses.

### Sip, savour, celebrate

To add a crowning touch to its offering, Colonel Saab has collaborated with the distinguished mixology team at Diageo to create a bespoke drinks menu. With artisanal



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gins, whiskies, and rums – all reflecting India's rich botanical tapestry – diners are invited to sip on cocktails named in honour of the Choudhary family, making every sip a part of a deeply personal, curated experience.

So this November, as London embraces the chill of late autumn, Colonel Saab offers a warm and opulent sanctuary where exquisite food, fine art, and family heritage come together to create an unforgettable experience. Don't just dine; come live the Colonel Saab story.

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