



HISTORY OF THE CAFÉ ROYAL



THE FIRST CAFÉ ROYAL IN EDINBURGH WAS FOUNDED BY MR JOHN AMBROSE AND OPENED IN 1826 AT 1 REGISTER PLACE ACROSS THE ROAD FROM THE PRESENT BUILDING. IT PREVIOUSLY WAS A TAVERN, SERVING COFFEE AND WINE, AS WELL AS BEER AND SPIRITS AND EQUIPPED WITH AMPLE DINING ROOMS WHICH SPECIALISED IN OYSTERS.

IN 1861 ALL THE PROPERTIES IN THE AREA WERE SOLD TO ROBERT HUME, A PLUMBER, WHO THEN PROCEEDED TO DEMOLISH ALL THE OLD, ORIGINAL BUILDINGS. WORK STARTED ON THE PRESENT BUILDING IN 1861. IT WAS ORIGINALLY BUILT TO BE A SHOWROOM FOR THE LATEST IN GAS AND SANITARY FITTINGS, BUT IT IS DOUBTFUL THAT IT EVER ACCOMMODATED ANY BATHS OR SINKS

ON 8TH JULY 1863 THE CAFÉ ROYAL MOVED TO ITS NEW LOCATION IN THIS STYLISH PARISIAN BUILDING, WHICH WAS DESIGNED BY LOCAL ARCHITECT ROBERT PATERSON. A GLORIOUS EXAMPLE OF VICTORIAN AND BAROQUE, LITTLE HAS CHANGED SINCE THEN.
ENTERING THE CAFÉ ROYAL IS LIKE TAKING A STEP BACK IN TIME. ELEGANT STAINED GLASS AND FINE LATE VICTORIAN PLASTERWORK DOMINATE THE BUILDING.







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IRREPLACEABLE ROYAL DOULTON CERAMIC MURALS, PAINTED BY JOHN EYRE, ADORN THE WALLS IN BOTH THE RESTAURANT AND BAR. THESE WERE PURCHASED BY AN EARLY LICENSEE J. MCINTYRE HENRY FROM THE 1886 INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION OF INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND ART, WHICH WAS HELD ON EDINBURGH'S MEADOWS.

SINCE OPENING, THE CAFÉ ROYAL HAS PASSED THROUGH THE HANDS OF MANY OWNERS, ALTHOUGH NONE HAVE THREATENED THE UNIQUELY VICTORIAN ATMOSPHERE. NONE, THAT IS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF GRAND METROPOLITAN HOTELS, WHO TOOK OVER IN 1965 AND AGREED, FOUR YEARS LATER, TO SELL THE BUILDING TO WOOLWORTHS WISHING TO EXTEND THEIR PRINCES STREET STORE. FORTUNATELY, THE CITY PLANNING OFFICER DISAGREED, AND AIDED BY A PETITION OF 8700 SIGNATURES, HE ENSURED THAT PLANNING PERMISSION WAS DENIED. ON 27TH FEBRUARY 1970 THE WHOLE BUILDING AND ITS INTERIOR WERE LISTED THUS PRESERVING IT FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.









CHAMPAGNE & OYSTERS IN SCOTLAND'S OLDEST OYSTER. BAR.



AVAILABLE IN THE BAR FROM 11AM, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK, THIS MARRIAGE OF SOCIAL RESONANCE, IS A PERFECT PAIRING, COMBINING TWO ASPECTS THAT FIT IN PERFECT HARMONY, WITH THE CHAMPAGNE THERE IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO DESTROY THE QUALITIES OF THE OYSTER. AND NEITHER IS THE OYSTER SUBORDINATED TO THE FRESHNESS OF THE CHAMPAGNE, BUT ONE ELEMENT ENHANCES THE OTHER. TWO JEWELS OF GASTRONOMY WHERE PLEASURE IS THE KEY FLEMENT IN THIS DELIBERATE COMBINATION. AN EXTRAVAGANT AND APHRODISIAC MARRIAGE NEEDS A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF CREATIVITY. NATURAL OYSTERS BEST COMBINE WITH A YOUNG VINTAGE CHAMPAGNE. LIGHT AND VIBRANT WITH GOOD ACIDITY, WITHOUT DOSAGE, SERVED AT A TEMPERATURE OF 6-8°C. OYSTERS AND CHAMPAGNE ARE A MARRIAGE NOT INTENDED TO PLEASE EVERYONE, SO THE CONSUMER MUST BE SEDUCED AND WILLING TO ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE.

CHAMPAGNE & OYSTERS

22.60

125ML JOSEPH PERRIER, 3 SCOTTISH OYSTERS

25.50

125ML VEUVE CLICQUOT, 3 SCOTTISH OYSTERS







CHAMPAGNE SERVES



RASPBERRY ROYAL £16.00 125ML JOSEPH PERRIER, 25ML CHAMBORD, RASPBERRIES

RHUBARB & GINGER FIZZ £16.00

125ML JOSEPH PERRIER, 25ML EDINBURGH RHUBARB & GINGER LIQUEUR, GINGER

GRAND ROYAL £16.00 125ML JOSEPH PERRIER, 25ML GRAND MARNIER LIQUEUR

CLASSIC CHAMPAGNE £16.00

125ML JOSEPH PERRIER, 25ML REMY MARTIN VSOP, SUGAR,
ANGOSTURA BITTERS

CAFÉ ROYAL BLOODY MARY

THE WORLD FAMOUS CAFÉ ROYAL BLOODY MARY.

ABSOLUT VODKA, A SQUEEZE OF FRESH LEMON, WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE, A TOUCH OF TABASCO AND BIG TOM SPICED TOMATO JUICE, TOPPED WITH RED WINE. PERFECT WITH ONE OF OUR FRESH LOCH FYNE OYSTERS.

BLOODY MARY £10.00

BLOODY MARY & OYSTER £12.50

BLOODY MARY OYSTER SHOOTERS £17.50 3 x Shots of Bloody Mary, 3 x Oysters







CHAMPAGNE & SPARKLING



MPCO PROSECCO DOC (VG) (ITALY)	£7.45/£35
STARS BRUT RESERVA, DO CAVA, PERELADA (SPAIN)	£7.30/£37
STARS TOUCH OF ROSE CAVA, PERELADA (SPAIN)	£8.10/£39
JOSEPH PERRIER BRUT NV (FRANCE)	£11.60£56
Chapel Down Brut NV (England)	£11.60/£56
Veuve Clicquot Yellow Label Brut (France)	£14.50/£75
Bollinger NV (France)	£75
Louis Roederer Collection 243 Brut (France)	£100
Laurent Perrier Cuvee Rose NV (France)	£110
Dom Perignon (France)	£300

SWEET & FORTIFIED

Monbazillac, L'Ancienne Cure (France)	£5.80/	£23.50
BANYULS RIMAGE, (FRANCE)	£7.45/	£29.50
SAUTERNES, CHATEAU FILHOT (FRANCE)		£41
FINE WHITE PORT, REAL COMPANHIA VELHA (PORTUGAL)		£5.70
LBV DELAFORCE PORT (PORTUGAL)		£5.90
HIS EMINENCE'S CHOICE, 10YR TAWNY PORT (PO	ORTUGAL)	£6.80
FINO, BODEGAS GUTIERREZ COLOSIA (SPAIN)		£5.70
PEDRO XIMENEZ, EMILIO HIDALGO (SPAIN)		£6.55







ROSE & ORANGE



175ML/250ML/BOTTLE
ALL GLASSES ARE
AVAILABLE AS 125ML

RESERVE DE GASSAC ROSE, VIN DE PAY DE HERAULT (FRANCE) £8.20/£11.30/£31.50

PROVENCE ROSE, CHATEAU D'OLLIERES, COTEAUX VAROIS (FRANCE) £10.00/£14.30/£39

SANCERRE ROSE, LES BARONNES, DOMAINES BOURGEOIS (FRANCE) £49.50

Chateau D'Esclans, Whispering Angel (France) £55

MAREMOSSO CATARATTO, ORANGE, CANTINE RALLO (ITALY)
£10.20/£14.15/£38.50

ORANGE, SOLARA, CRAMELE RECAS, VIILE TIMISULUI (ROMANIA)
£8.40/£11.60/£34







WHITE WINE

175ML/250ML/BOTTLE
ALL GLASSES ARE



AVAILABLE AS 125ML

VINHO VERDE, QUINTAS DO HOMEM (PORTUGAL)

£7.70/£10.70/£30.50

SAUVIGNON BLANC, DOMAINE GUY ALLION (FRANCE)

£8.60/£11.60/£32

PICPOUL DE PINET, GRANGE DES ROCS (FRANCE)

£8.70/£11.90/£33.50

UVAM, PINOT GRIGIO, DOC, BISCARDO, MABIS (ITALY)

£8.70/£11.70/£34.50

ALBARINO, EL CAMARON (SPAIN)

£10.00/£14.20/£42.50

DILLON'S POINT SINGLE VINEYARD SAUVIGNON BLANC (NEW ZEALAND)

£10.40/£14.60/£43.50

LIMOUX CHARDONNAY, TOQUES ET CLOCHERS (FRANCE)

£10.10/£14.30/£41.50

1/2 BOTTLE MUSCADET GARANCE PIERRE LUNEAU PAPIN (FRANCE)

£21.50

1/2 BOTTLE-PULIGNY MONTRACHET VILLAGES BZIKOT (FRANCE)

£77







WHITE WINE



MIELIE GREEN CHENIN. TESTALONGA WINES. (SOUTH AFRICA)

£41.50

GRUNER VELTLINER, FUNKSTILLE, (AUSTRIA)

£38.50

ESTATE RIESLING, WEINGUT MAX FERDINAND RICHTER (GERMANY)

£44.50

POUILLY FUME, 'LES LOGES', DOMAINE PIERRE MARCHAND (FRANCE)

£52

MM5 FURMINT DRY, TOKAJ (HUNGARY)

£57

GEWURTZSTRAMINER, LE KATZ NOISETTE, DOMAINE KLUR (FRANCE)

£53

CHABLIS 1ER CRU, LECHET, DOMAINE TREMBLAY (FRANCE)

£55

SANCERRE BLANC, DOMAINE REVERDY DUCROIX (FRANCE)

£57

PULIGNY MONTRACHET, 1ER CRU, DOMAINE LARUE (FRANCE)

£145

MERSAULT CUVEE SAINT JEAN, DOMAINE VINCENT LATOUR (FRANCE)

£155







RED WINE



175ML/250ML/BOTTLE
ALL GLASSES ARE
AVAILABLE AS 125ML

TERRAS LUSAS TINTO, ADEGA DE REDONDO (PORTUGAL)

£7.70/£10.70/£30.50

MERLOT METIC, WILDMAKERS, (CHILE)

£8.20/£11.30/£31.50

PINOT NOIR, MOULIN DE GASSAC (FRANCE)

£9.20/£12.50/£35

SALICE SALENTINO RISERVA, MARCHESE DI BORGOSOLE (ITALY)

£9.40/£12.90/£35

MALBEC. ORGANIC SANTA JULIA (ARGENTINA)

£10.00/£13.90/£37.50

ELECTRIC BEE, PRIMITIVO, PRODUTTORI DI MANDURIA (ITALY)

£9.50/£13.00/£39

HAUT MEDOC, CHATEAU SAINT-AHON (FRANCE)

£13.10/£17.40/£47







RED WINE



ORGANIC BEAUJOLAIS ROUGE, DOMAINE DE LA COUVETTE (FRANCE)

£43.50

BABY BANDITO FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS, TESTALONGA WINES (S.AFRICA)

£42.50

ENIRA, BESSA VALLEY (BULGARIA)

£41.50

QUINTA DAS CARVALHAS TINTO, REAL COMPANHIA VELHA (PORTUGAL)

£44.50

FELINO CABERNET SAUVIGNON, VINA COBOS (ARGENTINA)

£46.50

GRAN RESERVA, 1890 FINCA MANZANOS, RIOJA (SPAIN)

£55

CROZES HERMITAGES ROUGE. EQUINOXE. DOMAINE EQUIS (FRANCE)

£52

EMILIO MORO, DO RIBERA DEL DUERO (SPAIN)

£59

POMEROL, CHATEAU MONREGARD LA CROIX (FRANCE)

£69

SAINT-EMILION GRAND CRU, CHATEAU LARMANDE (FRANCE)

£68







RED WINE



BROUILLY, VIEILLES VIGNES, DOMAINE JEAN CLAUDE LAPALUA (FRANCE)

£57

SOURCE DE ROUGE, CHATEAU KA (LEBANON)

£47.50

CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE, BEL AMI, GUILLAUME GONNET (FRANCE)

£69

AMARONE DELLA VALPOLICELLA CLASSICO, DOCG BISCARDO (ITALY)

£77

BAROLO, DOCG, CASCINA ADELAIDE (ITALY)

£81

Vega Sicilia 'Alion', Ribera Del Duero (Spain)

£190

SAINT JULIENE 3EME CRU CLASSE, CHATEAU LANGOA BARTON (FRANCE)

£145

HERMITAGE, 'LA SIZERANNE', MAISON M. CHAPOUTIER (FRANCE)

£165

PESSAC LEOGNAN GRAND CRU CLASSE. DOMAINE DE CHEVALIER

(FRANCE) £225

LE PERGOLE TORTE. 1 CENTO ANNI DI SERGIO MANETTI (ITALY)

£265







DRAUGHT BEER



WE ROTATE OUR DRAUGHT BEERS REGULARLY WITH BREWERIES FROM AROUND EDINBURGH, LEITH AND SCOTLAND, PLEASE SEE THE BAR OR ASK FOR TODAY'S SELECTION

GUINNESS (IRELAND) £6.80

80 SHILLING (SCOTLAND) £6.65

THISTLY CROSS CIDER (SCOTLAND) £6.80

PAOLOZZI (SCOTLAND) £7.20

LAWLESS VILLAGE IPA (SCOTLAND) £7.35

SEASONAL SOUR (SCOTLAND) £7.40

ESTRELLA GALICIA (SPAIN) £7.20

INNIS & GUNN LAGER (SCOTLAND) £7.10

STEWART'S LAGER (SCOTLAND) £7.20

CASK ALES

WE ROTATE OUR CASK ALES REGULARLY WITH BEERS FROM BREWERIES AROUND EDINBURGH AND SCOTLAND. PLEASE ASK A MEMBER OF THE TEAM, OR REFER TO THE BOARD OR BAR PUMPS FOR TODAY'S SELECTION.







SPRITZ MENU



CAMPARI SPRITZ £11.50 CAMPARI, PROSECCO, SODA, ORANGE

APEROL SPRITZ £11.50 APEROL, PROSECCO, SODA, ORANGE

ST. GERMAIN SPRITZ £11.50 ST. GERMAIN, PROSECCO, SODA

LILLET ROSE SPRITZ £11.50 LILLET ROSE, FEVER-TREE ELDERFLOWER TONIC

> LIMONCELLO SPRITZ £11.50 LIMONCELLO, PROSECCO, SODA

APEROL & RHUBARB SPRITZ £10.50 APEROL, AMARO SANTONI, FEVER-TREE BLOOD ORANGE

MOCKTAILS

GRAPEFRUIT SPRITZ £7.50 SIPSMITH FREEGLIDER 0%, PINK GRAPEFRUIT SODA

PASSIONFRUIT MULE £7.50 FEVER-TREE PASSIONFRUIT, MOSCOW MULE 0%

FREEGLIDER MULE £7.50 SIPSMITH FREEGLIDER 0%, FEVER-TREE GINGER BEER

APPLE & GINGER FIZZ £7.50 EAGER APPLE JUICE, FEVER-TREE GINGER BEER







COCKTAIL MENU



OLD FASHIONED £12.00 WOODFORD RESERVE, BITTERS, SUGAR SYRUP

OR PICK YOUR OWN WHISKY FROM THE BAR AND CREATE YOUR OWN OLD FASHIONED

NEGRONI £11.00 CAMPARI, MARTINI ROSSO, BEEFEATER

SIDECAR £11.00 HENNESSEY VS, COINTREAU, LEMON JUICE, SUGAR SYRUP

GIN / VODKA MARTINI £12.00
PLYMOUTH GIN / GREY GOOSE, LIVELY WHITE VERMOUTH

MAKE IT A DIRTY OYSTER MARTINI - £14.50
OLIVE BRINE & OYSTER

FRENCH MARTINI £12.00 ABSOLUT, CHAMBORD, PINEAPPLE JUICE, LEMON JUICE

ORANGE & GINGER MARGARITA £1 1.00 KAVERI GINGER LIQUOR, OLMECA TEQUILA

GINGERBREAD OLD FASHIONED £12.00 JAMESON BLACK BARREL, GINGERBREAD SYRUP, BITTERS







LIQUEURS & OTHER



CHAMBORD (FRANCE) £6.85

DRAMBUIE (SCOTLAND) £6.05

Baileys (Ireland) £7.05

Tia Maria (Jamaica) £5.85

St. Germain Elderflower (France) £5.55

DISARONNO AMARETTO (ITALY) £6.05

LIMONCELLO (ITALY) £5.50

COINTREAU (FRANCE) £5.75

KAHLUA (MEXICO) £6.10

SAMBUCA (ITALY) £5.45

SAMBUCA BLACK (ITALY) £5.45

DUBONNET (FRANCE) £5.70

JÄGERMEISTER (GERMANY) £5.65

Frangelico (Italy) £6.85

Pernod (France) £5.50

GRAND MARNIER (FRANCE) £5.85

BENEDICTINE DOM (FRANCE) £5.40

Kaveri Ginger Liqueur (England) £5.35







TEQUILA



PATRON SILVER (MEXICO) £7.85

PATRON REPOSADO (MEXICO) £6.85

PATRON XO (MEXICO) £7.85

CAZCABEL COFFEE (MEXICO) £7.65

DEL MAGUEY MEZCAL (MEXICO) £5.95

OLMECA ALTOS PLATA (MEXICO) £5.60

DON JULIO ANEJO (MEXICO) £8.00

BLENDED WHISKY

JOHNNIE WALKER BLACK (SCOTLAND) £5.70

JOHNNIE WALKER BLUE (SCOTLAND) £21.60

CHIVAS REGAL 12YEARS (SCOTLAND) £6.05

THE FAMOUS GROUSE (SCOTLAND) £5.05

JAMESON'S (IRELAND) £4.90

MONKEY SHOULDER (SCOTLAND) £6.10







BOURBON



FOUR ROSES (USA) £5.45

MAKERS MARK (USA) £6.35

WILD TURKEY 101 (USA) £5.90

KNOB CREEK RYE (USA) £5.75

BUFFALO TRACE (USA) £6.05

WOODFORD RESERVE (USA) £7.60

GENTLEMAN JACK (USA) £6.65

JACK DANIELS (USA) £5.90

ELIJAH CRAIG (USA) £6.10

EAGLE RARE (USA) £7.15

VODKA

ABSOLUT (SWEDEN) £6.35

ABSOLUT VANILLA (SWEDEN) £6.25

ABSOLUT HUNNI (SWEDEN) £6.25

GREY GOOSE (FRANCE) £6.85

SOUTHERN COMFORT (USA) £6.05







COGNAC



MARTELL VS (FRANCE) £5.65

HENNESSY VS (FRANCE) £7.65

REMY MARTIN VSOP (FRANCE) £7.20

COURVOISIER XO (FRANCE) £14.65

FORTIFIED

TAYLOR'S FINE RUBY PORT (PORTUGAL) £5.15

PEDRO XIMENEZ SHERRY (SPAIN) £7.00

PIMMS No.1 (ENGLAND) £5.75

CAMPARI (ITALY) £5.85

APEROL (ITALY) £5.60

MARTINI ROSSO (ITALY) £5.30

MARTINI DRY (ITALY) £5.30







RUM



BACARDI (CUBA) £5.95

BUMBU RUM (BARBADOS) £7.45

DARK MATTER (SCOTLAND) £6.45

THE DUPPY SHARE (JAMAICA) £6.15

DISCARDED BANANA PEEL (CARIBBEAN) £6.05

DIPLOMATICO (VENEZUELA) £6.90

KRAKEN SPICED (TRINIDAD) £6.05

MORTON'S OVD (SCOTLAND) £5.50

PLANTATION (BARBADOS) £6.45

REDLEG SPICED (JAMAICA) £6.25

RON ZACAPA 23YEARS (GUATEMALA) £7.45







<u>GIN</u>



BEEFEATER GIN (ENGLAND) £5.55

BOMBAY SAPPHIRE (ENGLAND) £5.65

BOTANIST (SCOTLAND) £6.30

CAORUNN (SCOTLAND) £6.50

Chase Pink Grapefruit (England) £6.45

EDEN MILL (SCOTLAND) £6.90

EDINBURGH (SCOTLAND) £6.15

EDINBURGH RASPBERRY LIQUEUR (SCOTLAND) £6.15

EDINBURGH RHUBARB & GINGER LIQUEUR (SCOTLAND) £6.15

GIN MARE (SPAIN) £6.35

HENDRICK'S (SCOTLAND) £6.05

MALFY ARANCIA (ITALY) £6.20

MALFY ROSA (ITALY) £6.20

PLYMOUTH (ENGLAND) £5.65

PUERTO DES INDIAS STRAWBERRY (SPAIN) £5.55

ROKU (JAPAN) £6.20

SIPSMITH GIN (ENGLAND) £6.15

TANQUERAY 10 (ENGLAND) £6.85

WARNER EDWARDS RHUBARB (ENGLAND) £6.35

WARNER EDWARDS PINKBERRY 0% (ENGLAND) £5.45

SIPSMITH FREEGLIDER 0% (ENGLAND) £5.65







MINERALS



FEVER-TREE INDIAN TONIC WATER £2.00

FEVER-TREE NATURAL TONIC WATER £2.00

FEVER-TREE MEDITERRANEAN TONIC £2.00

FEVER-TREE BLOOD ORANGE £2.00

FEVER-TREE ELDERFLOWER TONIC £2.00

FEVER-TREE GINGER ALE £2.05

FEVER-TREE GINGER BEER £2.05

FEVER-TREE MEXICAN LIME SODA £2.05

FEVER-TREE PINK GRAPEFRUIT SODA £2.05

BIG TOM SPICED TOMATO JUICE £4.45

COCA-COLA (330ML) £4.55

DIET COCA-COLA (330ML) £4.45

COCA-COLA ZERO (330ML) £4.45

RED BULL £3.40

HIGHLAND SPRING STILL (330ML) £3.95

HIGHLAND SPRING SPARKLING (330ML) £3.95

HIGHLAND SPRING STILL (750ML) £5.25

HIGHLAND SPRING SPARKLING (750ML) £5.25

ORANGE/APPLE/CRANBERRY/PINEAPPLE JUICE £3.55

LEMONADE (DRAUGHT) £3.50/£5,35

COCA-COLA (DRAUGHT) £3.50/£5.35

DIET COCA-COLA (DRAUGHT) £3.40/£5.15



BOTTLED BEER



PERONI NASTRO AZZURI (ITALY) £6.30

PERONI GLUTEN FREE (ITALY) £6.30

CRABBIES GINGER BEER (SCOTLAND) £6.80

BUDVAR (CZECH REPUBLIC) £6.75

CORONA (MEXICO) £6.10

ESTRELLA GALICIA O% (SPAIN) £4.90

GUINNESS 0% (IRELAND) £5.70

LUCKY SAINT 0.5% (GERMANY) £6.10

LUCKY SAINT IPA 0.5% (GERMANY) £6.10

SANDFORD ORCHARDS CIDERS (ENGLAND) £6.95

BLUE MOON (USA) £6.20



