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Gilgamesh

A restaurant fit for a king

It is...

A very impressive restaurant and club situated in the heart of Camden – dramatic and very intriguing. The entire venue is fitted out with lavishly crafted wooden panels, plush seating areas and sultry low lighting. Every surface is embellished to a disorientating degree – bronze walls depict battle scenes, pillars are inlaid with polished stones, and ceilings shape-shift in the coloured spotlights. The overall effect is a replica Babylonian palace, offering diners a completely unique experience and a visually stunning assault on the senses.

It's for...

A night of glamour and opulence. The restaurant is a great place to come with a group of friends, as it has such a vibrant atmosphere, and the open kitchen allows diners to see chefs in action, which adds to the buzzing environment. It offers a lavish backdrop to relax in and enjoy Ian Pengelley's superb contemporary menu.

It costs...

£50 per head

We had...

A feast of Pan-Asian culinary delights. Guided by our waiter of exemplary patience, we chose from salads, sushi, dim sum and main courses. We started with crispy squid which was perfectly flavoured with fresh chilli and salt and beautifully crispy and a tempura of warm Chilean sea bass nigiri, served on a perfect block of black rice. Black rice has apparently been proven to lower cholesterol, which gave us a perfect excuse to order more! We then sampled some of their fantastic sushi dishes including delicately smoked eel oshi. Next on the list was a sweet and refreshing duck and watermelon salad, melt-in-the-mouth hoba miso Chilean sea bass and spicy beef penang. To say we were utterly stuffed would be an understatement, but after some Jasmine tea, which was recommended to aid our digestion, we found room for dessert – a green tea crème brûlée. The brûlée was amazing and I would go back to the restaurant just to order that alone. This banquet was all washed down with two expertly made cocktails –the Ziggurat, which was fresh watermelon juice, 42 Below vodka and chilli and the Anu, which muddles Plymouth gin, peach purée and cucumber. Absolutely delicious.

Booking information

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