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A mouth-watering monster is set to invade Croydon as the UK's biggest restaurant prepares to open its doors to the public.

The jaw-dropping Cosmo eatery boasts 800 covers and will offer more than 300 dishes from across Asia and Europe when it begins trading at Valley Leisure Park on November 13.

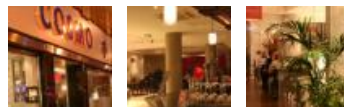
Hundreds of kitchen and waiting staff will help fished diners get through a tonne of chicken breasts alone in their meals every week, as well as 700kg of duck and 400kg of onions all seasoned with up to 100kg of salt and sugar.

The mammoth 22,000 sq ft restaurant dwarfs the biggest existing eatery - the gargantuan Gilgamesh in Camden - which boasts of fitting in a similar number of covers despite being 7,000 sq ft smaller.

Cosmo operations manager Leroy Ji, who will have the task of running the enormous eatery, said "Our largest restaurant currently is in Coventry and has about 330 covers, so we



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have experience of running a busy restaurant but this one is massive.

"We started construction in January so it's already been eight months, and there are about two months to go before it's finished, so it's a huge project.

Specialist chefs from nine different countries, including Malaysia, Mongolia and Vietnam, will prepare food in sizzling live cooking demonstrations, while customers can pick which fish they would like for dinner in the seafood section.

Mr Ji said: "Even with China we have got eight different specialist cuisines from the different regions.

"The whole idea is we want to bring a truly unique and authentic dining experience.

"Different people have different tastes but in our branch you can have everything under one roof.

" We've got about 50 desserts as well - we think if one person wants to try all our food it would take them about a week to try everything, because of the sheer variety."

Despite its enormous size, the mammoth restaurant is itself eclipsed by the titanic 6,014 seat Damascus Gate in Syria, which Guinness World Record officials likened to a "mini-factory".

What the restaurant's diners will consume each week:

- Chicken breasts - one tonne.
- Duck breasts - 700kg.
- Onions - 400kg.
- Chips - half a tonne.
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- Cooking salt - 100kg.
- Sugar - 100kg.

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