

San Baylon Restaurant at Palazzo Ripetta: Rome's new Dining Destination



San Baylon Restaurant at **Palazzo Ripetta** entices those in the Eternal City to experience its all-Italian dining experience. Designed to be a neighbourhood restaurant, San Baylon attracts Romans and visitors to the city alike with its own entrance from Via di Ripetta. Dining is offered throughout the day, from delectable breakfasts from 7am, through lunch, dinner, afternoon tea and wine tasting, finishing with decadent cocktails to close the night at 1am.

The restaurant itself is named in homage of San Pasquale Baylon, the 16th century saint who is protector of cooks and pastry chefs and one of the first to create the Cream of San Baylon, which became zabaione.

The offering embraces its Italian roots and the seasonality of produce in a modern menu created by young and exciting chef **Marco Ciccotelli**. With a background in Michelin-starred restaurants including Guardiagrele in Villa Maiella and Hotel Eden, Marco's heritage from the Italian region of Abruzzo inspires his cooking. The cuisine at San Baylon is anchored to the most timeless of Roman recipes and Italian traditions yet continues to innovate with exciting modern flavour, combinations and a dedication to excellence. Locally inspired dishes pay great attention to the seasonality and quality of raw ingredients, gathered from small Italian producers with a focus on the region of Lazio. Each dish is lovingly executed with innovation and flair in the open-kitchen.

Acclaimed pastry chef **Giuseppe Solfrizzi** brings his delectable collection of freshly baked breads, flaky croissants, and mouth-watering sweets to San Baylon from his famous Trastevere bakery, Le Levain. A former student of Alain Ducasse, Solfrizzi makes the lightest of French pastry with twists from his Puglian traditions.

The dining room itself is an elegant yet warm and intimate space, from the soft leather banquettes, rich wood panelling, marble tables to historic photographs of Rome lining the walls.

Step outside the restaurant and guests will discover the internal cloister of the Palazzo has been transformed into an enticing courtyard for dining and drinks: the **Piazzetta Ripetta**. From light lunches to long, indulgent Sunday brunches, relaxed dining is set to the soft trickle of foundations while the splash of colour from the lemon trees contrasts against rich terracotta. The outdoor bar is the perfect place to socialize with family and friends.

Those seeking a tipple will enjoy the creative offering in the **San Baylon Cocktail Bar**. Inspired by the great Italian classic aperitifs, the signature menu is designed in collaboration with the mixology masters of The Jerry Thomas Project, the legendary Secret Bar of the Rome which has



been included amongst the World's 50 Best Bars six times. The chef-created "cicchetti" has been conceived to accompany the cocktails.

For further information, menus and to make a booking, please visit <u>www.palazzoripetta.com/en</u>

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