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BAR BOULUD, LONDON AT MANDARIN ORIENTAL HYDE PARK

Chef Daniel Boulud's first UK restaurant, [Bar Boulud, London](#) opened its doors in May 2010 at [Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park](#).

This lively, French inspired, bistro and wine bar is directly accessible from Knightsbridge and follows the successful format of *Bar Boulud* in New York which has achieved significant acclaim.

The *Adam D. Tihany* designed interior seats 169 in two large connecting rooms, the first with an impressive zinc topped bar and the second with a sleek open kitchen. Classic materials such as wood, leather and cork add a contemporary touch and an aesthetic inspired by the craft of wine making, including walled wine stains from Chef Boulud's favourite vintages and photography of various renowned Lyon bistros and brasseries. Guests can also watch the chefs at work at the charcuterie bar running along the edge of the open kitchen or dine in one of the two interconnecting private dining rooms, both seating 20 people each.

A full bistro menu is based on seasonal, rustic French cooking and includes an array of charcuterie, house-made terrines, pâtés, hams, saucissons, boudins and more, specially prepared onsite under the direction of acclaimed charcutier Gilles Verot. Also featured are Boulud's popular American transplants, the "Yankee", "Frenchie" and "Piggie" burgers, as well as signature "BB" Burger unique to London. A £17 two or £19 three course '*Bouchon Menu*', changing daily, is available until 7pm, inclusive of a glass of house wine, as an excellent option for pre-theatre dining.

With a focus on Burgundy and the Rhône Valley, an impressive selection of wines, by the glass and by the bottle, and occasionally from Magnums, Jeroboams and Rehoboams, feature old world wines as well as new world selections made in the Rhône or Burgundy spirit. A full range

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of rare draught and bottled beers is also available from small, artisanal producers and continental microbreweries with specially designed glassware for tasting portions.

Trained in France by legendary chefs Roger Vergé, Georges Blanc and Michel Guérard, Boulud opened his first restaurant *Daniel* in New York in 1993, which last year received the prestigious Three Michelin Star status and more recently was honoured with the much coveted James Beard Award for the best restaurant in North America 2010. *Daniel* was shortly followed by *Café Boulud*, *Bar Boulud*, *DB Bistro Moderne* and, most recently, *DBGB Kitchen and Bar*, on the Bowery. His culinary roots can be traced back to his family farm near Lyon, France where he developed a love of home cooking using fresh seasonal produce.

[Bar Boulud, London](#) is open from 12pm to 1am Monday to Saturday and from 12pm to 12am Sunday for Lunch and Dinner. Reservations can be made on + 44 (0) 20 7201 3899 or at www.danielnyc.com/barbouludLondon.html. For further information please visit <http://www.mandarinoriental.com/london/dining/>.

About Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, London

With bustling Knightsbridge on its doorstep and leafy Hyde Park at its rear, Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park is London's most prestigious address. Blending sumptuous guestrooms with a world-leading spa and a stylish bar, it is the definitive destination for a luxury escape. And with two award-winning restaurants including Bar Boulud, London and Dinner by Heston Blumenthal, the first London restaurant for one of the UK's most renowned chefs, Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park stands at the culinary centre of the capital.

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