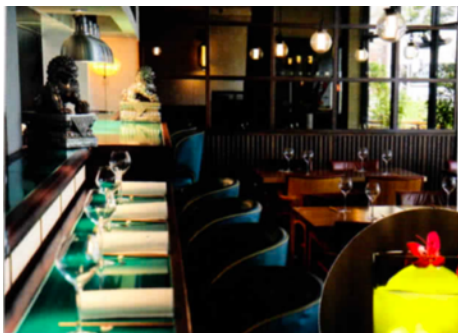


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*'Gucci gang, Gucci gang,  
Gucci gang (Gucci gang!)' - LIL PUMP*



Hiran aachaar at Opheem



From top: A Wong; the Hemp at Waeska; chocolate dessert at Launceston Place

Last year the GQ Food & Drink Awards, presented by Veuve Clicquot, received thousands of suggestions from across the country. Now in its fifth outing – and following another record response – the search for the next winners comes down to our panel of judges. Here is the shortlist, plus the men and women who will decide who is the best of the best in 2019.


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The Fleurissimo at Connaught Bar

### Best RESTAURANT

- **Brat, London**  
*bratrestaurant.com*
- **Hide, London**  
*hide.co.uk*
- **Northcote, Lancashire**  
*northcote.com*
- **Opheem, Birmingham**  
*opheem.com*
- **Sorrel, Surrey**  
*sorrelrestaurant.co.uk*
- **Sosban & The Old Butchers, Anglesey**  
*sosbanandtheoldbutchers.com*

### Belvedere BEST BAR

- **Connaught Bar, London**  
*the-connaught.co.uk*
- **Orchid, Aberdeen**  
*orchidaberdeen.com*

- **Oriole, London**  
*orioletavern.com*
- **Satan's Whiskers, London**  
*@satans\_whiskers*
- **The Dead Canary, Cardiff**  
*thedeadcanary.co.uk*
- **Waeska at The Mandrake, London**  
*themandrake.com*

### Best SOMMELIER

- **Albert Blaize at The Mandrake, London**  
*themandrake.com*
- **Alex Freguin at Moor Hall, Lancashire**  
*moorhall.com*
- **Jolanta Dinnadge at Corrigan's, London**  
*corrigansmayfair.co.uk*
- **Honey Spencer at Nuala, London**  
*nualalondon.com*

- **Matteo Montone at Berners Tavern, London**  
*bernerstavern.com*
- **Stefan Kobald at The Social Company, London**  
*thesocialcompany.co.uk*

### Best CHIEF

- **Adam Handling at Frog By Adam Handling, London**  
*frogbyadamhandling.com*
- **Adam Smith at Coworth Park, Berkshire**  
*dorchestercollection.com*
- **Ben Murphy at Launceston Place, London**  
*launcestonplace-restaurant.co.uk*
- **Jeremy Chan at Ikoyi, London**  
*ikoyilondon.com*
- **Nuno Mendes at Mãos, London**  
*bluemountain.school*

- **Tom Sellers at Restaurant Story, London**  
*restaurantstory.co.uk*

### Best RESTAURATEUR

- **Andrew Wong of A Wong and Kym's**  
*awong.co.uk; kymrestaurant.com*
- **David Campbell of The Ivy Collection**  
*ivycollection.com*
- **Des Gunewardena and David Loewi of D&D London**  
*danddlondon.com*
- **Gary Usher of Sticky Walnut, Hispi, Burnt Truffle and Wreckfish**  
*stickywalnut.net; hispi.net; burnttruffle.net; wreckfish.co*
- **Layo and Zoë Paskin of The Blue Posts, Evelyn's Table, The Mulwray, The Palomar and The Barbary**  
*theblueposts.co.uk; thepalomar.co.uk; thebarbary.co.uk*



Hide

- Tom Kitchin of The Kitchin, Castle Terrace, The Scran & Scallie and Southside Scran [thekitchin.com](http://thekitchin.com); [castleterracerestaurant.com](http://castleterracerestaurant.com); [scranandscallie.com](http://scranandscallie.com); [southsidescran.com](http://southsidescran.com)

### Best HOTEL

- Adare Manor, County Limerick [adaremanor.com](http://adaremanor.com)
- Corinthia, London [corinthia.com](http://corinthia.com)
- Lympstone Manor, Devon [lympstonemanor.co.uk](http://lympstonemanor.co.uk)
- Padstow Townhouse, Cornwall [paul-atinsworth.co.uk](http://paul-atinsworth.co.uk)
- Summer Lodge, Dorset [summerlodgethehotel.co.uk](http://summerlodgethehotel.co.uk)
- Whatley Manor, Wiltshire [whatleymanor.com](http://whatleymanor.com)

### Best INTERIOR

- Annabel's, London [annabels.co.uk](http://annabels.co.uk)
- The Coral Room, London [thecoralroom.co.uk](http://thecoralroom.co.uk)
- Greyhound Café, London [greyhoundcafe.uk](http://greyhoundcafe.uk)
- Lina Stores, London [linastores.co.uk](http://linastores.co.uk)
- The Baptist Grill, London [baptistgrill.com](http://baptistgrill.com)
- Mr Fogg's Society Of Exploration, London [mr-foggs.com](http://mr-foggs.com)

### Best FRONT OF HOUSE

- Amy Corbin at Kudu, London [kudu-restaurant.com](http://kudu-restaurant.com)
- Jean-Claude Breton at Restaurant Gordon Ramsay, London [gordonramsayrestaurants.com](http://gordonramsayrestaurants.com)
- Juanito Asencio at Chiltern Firehouse, London [chilternfirehouse.com](http://chilternfirehouse.com)
- Gianluca Austin-Rizzo at Simpsons Restaurant, Birmingham [simpsonsrestaurant.co.uk](http://simpsonsrestaurant.co.uk)
- Kamila Plonska at Adam Reid At The French, Manchester [the-french.co.uk](http://the-french.co.uk)

- Rosie Barclay at Nathan Outlaw, Cornwall [nathan-outlaw.com](http://nathan-outlaw.com)

### Best OVERALL EXPERIENCE

- Chewton Glen, Hampshire [chewtonglen.com](http://chewtonglen.com)
- Coombeshead Farm, Cornwall [coombesheadfarm.co.uk](http://coombesheadfarm.co.uk)
- Gleneagles, Perthshire [gleneagles.com](http://gleneagles.com)
- Hovarda, London [hovarda.london](http://hovarda.london)

- Laylow, London [laylow.co.uk](http://laylow.co.uk)

- Petersham Nurseries, London [petershamnurseries.com](http://petershamnurseries.com)

### Best BREAKTHROUGH

- 83 Hanover Street, Edinburgh [83hanoverstreet.com](http://83hanoverstreet.com)
- Caractère, London [caractereerestaurant.com](http://caractereerestaurant.com)
- Etch, East Sussex [etchfood.co.uk](http://etchfood.co.uk)
- Evelyn's Table, London [theblueposts.co.uk](http://theblueposts.co.uk)
- RedFarm, London [redfarmldn.com](http://redfarmldn.com)
- Sabor, London [saborrestaurants.co.uk](http://saborrestaurants.co.uk)

### Best PUB

- The Compasses Inn, Wiltshire [thecompassesinn.com](http://thecompassesinn.com)
- The Drunken Duck, Cumbria [drunkenduckinn.co.uk](http://drunkenduckinn.co.uk)
- The Fox & Pheasant, London [thefoxandpheasant.com](http://thefoxandpheasant.com)
- Fordwich Arms, Kent [fordwicharms.co.uk](http://fordwicharms.co.uk)
- Plum & Partridge, Yorkshire [theplumandpartridge.co.uk](http://theplumandpartridge.co.uk)
- The St Tudy Inn, Cornwall [sttudyinn.com](http://sttudyinn.com)

### Veuve Clicquot INNOVATOR

- Hide, London [hide.co.uk](http://hide.co.uk)
- Native, London [eatnative.co.uk](http://eatnative.co.uk)
- Mark Hix [hixrestaurants.co.uk](http://hixrestaurants.co.uk)
- The Marram Grass, Anglesey [themarramgrass.com](http://themarramgrass.com)
- The Spread Eagle, London [thespreadeaglelondon.co.uk](http://thespreadeaglelondon.co.uk)
- White Rabbit Fund [whiterabbitfund.com](http://whiterabbitfund.com)

### Lifetime ACHIEVEMENT

To be announced on the night

## GQ FOOD & DRINK AWARDS

# The judges

Introducing GQ's panel of experts - leaders in the fields of food and drink, journalism, hospitality and interiors - who have been tasked with judging this year's shortlist.



#### Jason Atherton

Renowned chef and restaurateur Jason Atherton is at the top of his game and shows no sign of slowing down. His group, The Social Company, has opened 17 restaurants in just seven years, spanning London, Asia, New York and beyond.



#### Tara Bernerd

Designer Tara Bernerd continues to lead the way in luxury interior design. Her practice boasts a portfolio of seriously high-end hospitality projects, from the striking redesign of New York's Sixty Soho hotel to restoring The Principal London to its former glory.



#### Isaac Carew

Chef-turned-model-turned-chef Isaac Carew was schooled in Gordon Ramsay's Michelin-starred establishments. His Instagram and YouTube series *The Dirty Dishes* has gained a cult following, with a long-awaited recipe book due for release next month.



#### Pippa Guy

Pippa Guy is the first woman in more than 100 years to earn the American Bar's coveted white jacket. At just 27 years old, Guy is already a formidable force in the cocktail industry and has recently released her own cocktail recipe book, *Let's Get Fizzical*.



#### Aimee Hartley

Aimee Hartley is founder of *Above Sea Level*, a magazine and events platform offering a fresh perspective on wine. By exploring wine in the context of food, design, people and places, Hartley hopes that wine will become a more natural part of our daily conversations.



#### Dylan Jones

Since Dylan Jones became Editor of GQ in 1999, the magazine has won 68 awards. Jones is also chairman of London Fashion Week Men's, board member of the British Fashion Council and chairs the board of the Hay Festival Foundation.



#### Oliver Peyton

Oliver Peyton has been a fixture on the London food scene since he opened his first restaurant, Atlantic Bar & Grill, in the Nineties. In addition to judging *Great British Menu* since 2006, Peyton is a founder and restaurateur of noted hospitality group Peyton And Byrne.



#### Sharleen Spiteri

Sharleen Spiteri, of the hugely successful rock band Texas, has sold more than 40 million records worldwide and is no stranger to culinary circles. Her husband, Bryn Williams, is an acclaimed chef and restaurateur, with outposts across London and in Porth Eirias.



#### Bertrand Steip

Bertrand Steip has enjoyed a celebrated career in the luxury drinks industry. After nearly three decades with Moët Hennessy, in 2017 he became managing director of the company's UK arm, which looks after prestigious brands including Belvedere, Dom Pérignon and Veuve Clicquot. **GQ**