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The MICHELIN guide Hong Kong Macau 2012 truly reflects the rise in quality of the restaurants in a highly competitive environment

Michelin today launches the fourth edition of the bilingual **MICHELIN guide Hong Kong Macau**. Not only does it reflect the sustained improvement in the quality of restaurants in Hong Kong and Macau, it also highlights the increasing richness and diversity of the delicacies to be found in each city.

The latest Hong Kong Macau guide includes **281 establishments in Hong Kong** (237 restaurants and 44 hotels) and **51 establishments in Macau** (35 restaurants and 16 hotels). It includes **59 new restaurants** (57 in Hong Kong and 2 in Macau) and **10 new hotels** (7 in Hong Kong and 3 in Macau).

In Hong Kong and Macau there are now **5 three-star** restaurants (4 in Hong Kong and 1 in Macau), **13 with two-star** (10 in Hong Kong and 3 in Macau) and **51 one star** establishments (48 in Hong Kong and 3 in Macau).

The MICHELIN inspectors have been continuously exploring the local dining scenes in Hong Kong and Macau to find a wide variety of establishments for our readers. Not only have they found many new stars but they have also discovered a wide variety of restaurants offering many different styles of cooking. We have expanded our coverage to take in new locations such as Kennedy Town and Sai Ying Pun on Hong Kong Island and have also included two additional cuisines – **Singaporean and Xinjiang** – which further showcase the diversity of excellent food in Hong Kong and Macau.

The MICHELIN guide Hong Kong Macau 2012 is the perfect guide to finding the best restaurants offering excellent value for money. A total of **59 simple shop (小食) restaurants** (52 in Hong Kong and 7 in Macau) are included (c.f. 55 restaurants in 2011). These basic, local food stalls make up around 20% of the guide and include noodle shops, noodles and congee eateries, and Vietnamese food stalls. Some of them have even been awarded stars, making them the most affordable starred restaurants in the world.

The guide also features **64 Bib Gourmand (🍷) restaurants** (59 in Hong Kong and 5 in Macau), chosen by the inspectors for their good value. **19 Bib Gourmand restaurants** are new to the guide, indicating that there are still a lot of affordable restaurants with top-quality cuisine. These restaurants are particularly popular with our readers in these challenging economic times so the list of Bib Gourmands for gourmets looking for great food at an affordable price - a full three-course meal (excluding drinks) costing HKD/ MOP 300 or less – is a very valuable part of our guide.

Michelin stars are awarded purely for what is on the plate. To ensure consistency, our inspectors, who undertake all restaurant reviews anonymously, adhere to the standard five criteria for awarding stars in all areas and countries: product quality, preparation and flavours, the cuisine's personality, value for money, and consistency over time and across

the entire menu. In this year's guide, **more than 70% of the restaurants selected offer Chinese cuisine, including Shanghainese, Pekingese, Sichuan, Hakkinese, Hang Zhou, Cantonese, and Chiu Chow.** A restaurant that receives one or more stars is not only one of the best in its country, but also one of the best in the world.

One star (🌟) means a very good restaurant in its category.

Two stars (🌟🌟) mean excellent cooking, worth a detour.

Three stars (🌟🌟🌟) mean exceptional cuisine, worth a special journey.

Locals and travellers seeking an enjoyable experience have counted on the MICHELIN guide for its trusted recommendations for over a century. While the MICHELIN guide is known around the world for its famous stars, they actually account for only 10% of the selection in the guide. With more than one million copies sold every year around the world, the MICHELIN guide has always built its success on the diversity and range of its selection and is, in itself, synonymous with quality, since only the best establishments in each comfort and price category are selected.

The MICHELIN guide Hong Kong Macau 2012 will be available on 2nd December in Hong Kong (HK\$ 188); on the 5th in Macau and on the 12th in Southeast Asia.

For more than a century, MICHELIN guides have helped travellers enjoy better mobility by offering qualified restaurant and hotel recommendations throughout Europe. Now covering 23 countries across three continents, the collection of 27 MICHELIN guides includes more than 45,000 addresses. In Asia, the company has just published the 2012 MICHELIN guide for Tokyo Yokohama and Shonan, Hong Kong and Macau, as well as Kyoto, Osaka, Kobe and Nara. The first guide to Hokkaido will be launched in April 2012.

About Michelin

Since the late 1800s, Michelin has been dedicated to sustainably improving the mobility of goods and people by manufacturing and marketing tyres for every type of vehicle, including airplanes, automobiles, bicycles/motorcycles, earthmovers, farm equipment, trucks and the US space shuttle. It also offers electronic mobility support services, on ViaMichelin.com, and publishes travel guides, hotel and restaurant guides, maps and road atlases. With its headquarters in Clermont-Ferrand, France, Michelin is present in 170 countries, employs more than 111,000 people and operates 70 production facilities in 19 different countries. (www.michelin.com).

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Hong Kong Macau MICHELIN guide 2012 Summary

	Total	Hong Kong	Macau
Selected establishments	332	281	51
Hotels	60	44	16
Particularly pleasant establishments  to 	25	15	10
Restaurants	272	237	35
Bib Gourmand  (complete menu at HK\$300 maximum)	64	59	5
Particularly pleasant establishments   to 	53	40	13
 (Exceptional cuisine, worth a special journey)	5	4	1
Of which NEW or  (promoted)	2	2	0
 (Excellent cooking, worth a detour)	13	10	3
Of which NEW or  (promoted)	6	5	1
 (Very good cooking in its category)	51	48	3
Of which NEW or  (promoted)	12	11	1

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Starred establishments

NEW : new entry in the guide

 : restaurant promoted from  to  stars or  to  stars



Exceptional cuisine, worth a special journey

Establishment in Hong Kong	Comfort	Chef	Type of cuisine
Caprice		Vincent Thierry	French
L'Atelier de Joël Robuchon 		Joël Robuchon	French contemporary
Lung King Heen		Chan Yan Tak	Cantonese
8 ½ Otto e Mezzo – Bombana 		Umberto Bombana	Italian
Establishment in Macau	Comfort	Chef	Type of cuisine
Robuchon a Galera		Joël Robuchon	French contemporary



Excellent cooking, worth a detour

Establishment in Hong Kong	Comfort	Type of cuisine
Amber		French contemporary
Bo Innovation 		Fusion
Celebrity Cuisine		Cantonese
Lei Garden (Mog Kok) 		Cantonese
Ming Court		Cantonese
Pierre		French contemporary
Shang Palace 		Cantonese
Spoon by Alain Ducasse 		French
Sun Tung Lok		Chinese
Yè Shanghai (Kowloon) 		Shanghainese
Establishment in Macau	Comfort	Type of cuisine
The Eight		Chinese
Wing Lei 		Cantonese
Zi Yat Heen		Cantonese



Very good cooking in its category

Establishment in Hong Kong	Comfort	Type of cuisine
Ah Yat Harbour View NEW	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Cépage	🍴🍴🍴	French contemporary
Chilli Fagara	🍴	Sichuan
Cuisine Cuisine at The Mira	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Cuisine Cuisine (IFC) NEW	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Din Tai Fung (Tsim Sha Tsui)	🍴	Shanghainese
Dynasty (Wan Chai)	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Fook Lam Moon (Kowloon)	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Fook Lam Moon (Wan Chai)	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Forum	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Fu Ho (Tsim Sha Tsui)	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Golden Valley	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese and Sichuan
Hin Ho Curry (Shau Kei Wan)	🍲	Indian
Ho Hung Kee	🍲	Noodles and Congee
Hoi King Heen	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Hong Zhou	🍴🍴	Hang Zhou
Hung's Delicacies	🍲	Chiu Chow
Island Tang	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Lei Garden (Causeway Bay) NEW	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Lei Garden (Elements) 🍷	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Lei Garden (IFC)	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Lei Garden (Kowloon Bay)	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Lei Garden (North Point)	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Lei Garden (Sha Tin)	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Lei Garden (Tsim Sha Tsui)	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Lei Garden (Wan Chai)	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Loaf On	🍲	Cantonese
Mandarin Grill + Bar	🍴🍴🍴🍴	European contemporary
Man Wah 🍷	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Mirror NEW	🍴🍴🍴	French contemporary
Mist	🍴	Japanese
Nanhai No.1	🍴🍴	Chinese contemporary
One Dim Sum	🍲	Dim Sum
Petrus	🍴🍴🍴🍴	French
St. George 🍷	🍴🍴🍴	French contemporary
Summer Palace	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese

T'ang Court	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
The Chairman 🍴	🍴🍴	Cantonese
The Square	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Tim Ho Wan (Mong Kok)	🍴	Dim Sum
Tim Ho Wan (Sham Shui Po)	🍴	Dim Sum
Tim's Kitchen	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Tin Lung Heen NEW	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Wagyu Kaiseki Den	🍴🍴🍴	Japanese
Xin Dau Ji (Jordan) 🍴	🍴	Cantonese
Yan Toh Heen	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Yat Tung Heen (Wan Chai)	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Yuè NEW	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Establishment in Macau	Comfort	Type of cuisine
Golden Flower 🍴	🍴🍴🍴	Chinese
Lei Garden	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Tim's Kitchen	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese

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New Stars



Establishment in Hong Kong	Comfort	Type of cuisine
L'Atelier de Joël Robuchon	🍴🍴	French contemporary
8 ½ Otto e Mezzo – Bombana	🍴🍴🍴	Italian



Establishment in Hong Kong	Comfort	Type of cuisine
Bo Innovation	🍴🍴🍴	Fusion
Lei Garden (Mog Kok)	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Shang Palace	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Spoon by Alain Ducasse	🍴🍴🍴🍴	French
Yè Shanghai (Kowloon)	🍴🍴🍴	Shanghainese
Establishment in Macau	Comfort	Type of cuisine
Wing Lei	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese



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Ah Yat Harbour View	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Cuisine Cuisine (IFC)	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Lei Garden (Causeway Bay)	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Lei Garden (Elements)	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Man Wah	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Mirror	🍴🍴🍴	French contemporary
St. George	🍴🍴🍴	French contemporary
The Chairman	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Tin Lung Heen	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Xin Dau Ji (Jordan)	🍴	Cantonese
Yuè	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Establishment in Macau	Comfort	Type of cuisine
Golden Flower	🍴🍴🍴	Chinese

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Promotion of Stars

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Shang Palace	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Spoon by Alain Ducasse	🍴🍴🍴🍴	French
Yè Shanghai (Kowloon)	🍴🍴🍴	Shanghainese
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Bib Gourmand 🍴

Establishment in Hong Kong	Comfort	Type of cuisine
Bombay Dreams	🍴🍴	Indian
Chan Kan Kee Ciu Chow NEW	🍴	Chiu Chow
Chuen Cheung Kui (Causeway Bay)	🍴	Hakkanese
Chuen Cheung Kui (Mong Kok)	🍴	Hakkanese
Crystal Jade La Mian Xiao Long Bao (Kowloon Bay)	🍴	Chinese
Crystal Jade La Mian Xiao Long Bao (TST)	🍴	Chinese
Crystal Jade La Mian Xiao Long Bao (Wan Chai)	🍴	Chinese
Da Ping Huo	🍴	Sichuan
Dong Lai Shun	🍴🍴	Chinese
Dragon Inn 🍴	🍴🍴	Seafood
Fofo by el Willy	🍴	Spanish
Fung Lum	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Fu Sing (Causeway Bay)	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Fu Sing (Wan Chai)	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Golden Bauhinia 🍴	🍴🍴🍴	Cantonese
Good Hope Noodles 🍴	🍴	Noodles and Congee
Hide-Chan NEW	🍴	Japanese Ramen
Hin Ho Curry (Sai Wan Ho)	🍴	Indian
Ippudo NEW	🍴	Japanese Ramen
Jade Garden (Lockhart Road)	🍴	Cantonese
Kin's Kitchen	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Kwan Kee Bamboo Noodle NEW	🍴	Noodles
La Marmite NEW	🍴	French
Lan Yuen Chee Koon NEW	🍴	Cantonese
Lau Sum Kee (Fuk Wing Street) 🍴	🍴	Noodles and Congee
Lin Heung Kui	🍴	Cantonese
Mask of Sichuen & Beijing NEW	🍴	Sichuan
May's Sawaddee Thailand NEW	🍴	Thai
Megan's Kitchen NEW	🍴🍴	Cantonese
Mesa 15 NEW	🍴	Spanish
Nha Trang (Central) 🍴	🍴	Vietnamese
Nha Trang (Tsim Sha Tsui) NEW	🍴	Vietnamese

Noodle Shop NEW		Noodles
Olala (St. Francis Street)		Noodles
Red Seasons (Lam Tei)		Cantonese
Ser Wong Fun		Cantonese
Shanghai Xiao Nan Guo (Kowloon Bay)		Shaghainese
Shek Kee Kitchen NEW		Cantonese
She Wong Yee		Cantonese
Sun Kau Kee Noodle Shop		Noodles and Congee
Sun Sin NEW		Noodles
Sun Yuen Hing Kee		Cantonese Roast Meats
Superior Rice Roll Pro Shop NEW		Dim Sum
Tai Wing Wah		Cantonese
Takeya NEW		Japanese
Tak Lung		Cantonese
Tam's Yunnan Noodles (Sham Shui Po)		Noodles
Tasty (Happy Valley)		Noodles and Congee
Tasty (Hung Hom)		Noodles and Congee
Tasty (IFC)		Noodles and Congee
Tasty (Kowloon Bay)		Noodles and Congee
Thai Chiu		Thai
Tsim Chai Kee (Wellington Street) 		Noodles and Congee
Tulsi NEW		Indian
Wang Fu		Dumplings
Wing Hap Lung		Cantonese Roast Meats
Xin Dau Ji (Sha Tin) NEW		Cantonese
Xi Yan Sweets 		Chinese
Yue Kee 		Cantonese
Establishment in Macau	Comfort	Type of cuisine
Lou Kei (Fai Chi Kei) NEW		Cantonese
Luk Kei Noodle		Noodles and Congee
Noodle & Congee Corner		Noodles and Congee
Oja Sopa De Fita Cheong Kei		Noodles and Congee
Square Eight		Chinese