

PIED A TERRE

34 Charlotte Street, W1T 2NH (tel: 020 7636 1178; pied-a-terre.co.uk)



Fabulous food – Pied à Terre has two Michelin stars

– combined with a private, supper-club atmosphere make this restaurant a winner. As its name implies, PAT is pint-sized, with 42 covers in a small room looking onto the street and an only slightly larger one at the rear, but it's what you put into the space that counts. Shane Osborn's cooking, innovative yet never perverse, always delights and the front-of-house team is well synchronised to an

exceptional degree. The end of last year saw the opening of Osborn and partner David Moore's Marylebone restaurant, L'Autre Pied. **★★★★★** Lunch Mon–Fri; dinner Mon–Sat.

THE SQUARE

6-10 Bruton Street, W1J 6PU (tel: 020 7495 7100; squarerestaurant.com)



Two-Michelin-star, patrician Mayfair restaurant, with a famously good wine list, favoured by politicians and very smart Americans. At the Square, all are united in the search for good food. They find it in Phil Howard's sensational dishes – lasagne of crab

with a cappuccino of shellfish, or loin of lamb with garlic confit. Maitre d' Jacques Carlino is an absolute pro and makes sure that everything runs smoothly. Daylight brings out the power-lunchers. Evenings here, on the other hand, resemble instead a very large and beautifully orchestrated dinner party. **★★★★★** Lunch Mon–Fri; dinner daily.

TRINITY

4 The Polygon, SW4 OJG (tel: 020 7622 1199; trinityrestaurant.co.uk)



It was back to the drawing board for chef Adam Byatt, who managed to make such a good impression

at Thyme and then decided to venture Up West in an ill-considered move to Covent Garden. Anyway, he's back – back in Clapham, on the site of what used to be the old Polygon restaurant. It looks respectable but workmanlike in its latest guise, with burnt-oak floors and a new zinc bar. Expect beautifully crafted, sensuous dishes such as lasagna of confit rabbit and broad beans with black truffle and roasted onions, or ballsy pig's trotter on toasted Poilane with quails' eggs and sauce gribiche. It also does a traditional Sunday lunch. **★★★** Lunch Tues–Sun; dinner daily.



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