Nysée MENU

London's Original Greek Restaurant est. 1936

Our Philosophy

All of our ingredients are sourced based on quality and local sustainability. We use only the finest Greek extra virgin olive oil and other Greek imported produce to enhance your experience. We always endeavour to select suppliers who share our values, our commitment to uncompromising quality and our passion.

Our philosophy and passion for cooking originates from both Greece and Cyprus, implementing traditional Mediterranean ingredients, renowned for their health benefits, encompassing centuries-old recipes and methods to produce an authentic Greek taste, merged with a modern eye for presentation.

Every dish our team presents is prepared with the same passion and dedication to the ingredients. With our fine selection of wines to accompany your meal we strive to provide a wonderful dining experience.

This is our ethos. Simplicity and Authenticity

Our History

In 1936, The Elysée opened on 13 Percy Street in Fitzrovia by George Varnava, a former Maître D' at The Savoy Hotel. Originally a French, silver service restaurant, it became an instant sensation attracting Londoners across the city and travellers worldwide. The venue built a strong reputation, successively establishing itself into the 1940s as a hot spot for artists, writers, big screen stars, celebrities and members of the British and Greek Royal families. This period marked the beginning of a family legacy that lives to the present day.

In 1962, The Elysée was bought by Varnava' nephews George, Michael and Ulysses Karageorgis. Under new direction, the brothers delved into family values, incorporating traditional live Greek music entertainment and delectable Mediterranean cuisine. The restaurant evolved into a leading Greek institution, one of Central London's most significant cultural contributors and late night scenes.

The Elysée's continued success in the 1960s saw visits from His Royal Highness Prince Philip and the 1966 England World Cup winning team to celebrate their victory, amongst many other high profile guests such as The Beatles, Rolling Stones and Mohammed Ali.

After a remarkable 50 years, the three brothers retired handing the baton to cousins Giggs Karageorgis, Kyriacos Pattihis, Kerry Karageorgis and Alex Karageorgis, who brought a new vision to life.

In 2010, The Elysée underwent an astonishing refurbishment inaugurating two interconnecting private dining areas, a vibrant Cocktail Bar & Lounge and an exquisite 1200 square foot Roof Garden with heating and retractable roofs, transforming the restaurant into an indisputable multi-faceted gem in Fitzrovia.

Today, The Elysée offers a rich variety of services, from social and corporate party events to intimate gatherings, from a vibrant setting with live entertainment (including its infamous plate smashing), to relaxing atmospheres, al fresco dining and private function areas, all brought together by its ravishing fusion of classic and modern Greek and Mediterranean cuisine. The Elysée is unquestionably a leading figure in London's Catering & Hospitality Industry.

A venue second to none, this family-run establishment promises to continue entertaining and enchanting its guests for time to come whilst its discrete policies make it a retreat for those in the limelight.

Starters / Meze

Houmous (df, gf) Puréed chick peas dip with lemon, tahini and a hint of g	£6.50 garlic
Taramosalata (df) C Fresh cod roe dip beaten with olive oil and lemon	£7.50
Tzatziki (g) Strained Greek yoghurt dip with cucumber, mint and ga	£6.50 arlic
Tirokafteri (gf) Roasted hot peppers and feta cheese dip	£6.50
Melitzanosalata <i>(gf)</i> Char-grilled aubergine dip with olive oil and garlic	£6.50
Crispy Calamari Fresh squid, lightly fried, with chilli & spring onion	£12.00
Aubergine Imam (g) Baked and filled with Mediterranean ragout & crumbled	£10.50 d feta
Courgette Fries with a dried mint & yoghurt dip	£,8.50
Grilled King Prawns (gf, df)£,13.00With chilli, lemon & garlic	0/£26.00
Char-grilled Octopus (gf, df) C With 'fava' split yellow pea purée, mixed peppers & red	£14.50 onion
Grilled Cypriot Halloumi Cheese (gf) With a sweet tomato chutney	£9.50
Spanakopita Spinach and feta-stuffed filo parcels	£10.50
Keftedes Lamb meatballs, tomato sauce, couscous & Greek yogh	£12.50 .urt
Dolmades (gf, df) Vine leaves filled with beef, rice and spices	£10.50
Grilled Cypriot Village Beef Sausages (gf, df) With a red onion marmalade	£9.50
Kolokythokeftedes Courgette fritters with a mint yoghurt sauce	£10.00
Bamies (<i>df, gf</i>) £9.0 Traditional dish of roasted okra in a rich tomato sauce	00/16.00
Heritage Beetroot Salad (df) (n) With almond 'skordalia'	£8.50
Mixed Bean Salad, lemon dressing	£7.00
Quinoa and Avocado Salad	£10.50
Feta, tomato, celery, cucumber & mixed peppers	
Traditional Greek "Avgolemono" Soup (g) Chicken, lemon and rice	£12.50

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Mains and Grills

Lamb Cutlets (g) Char-grilled best end with aromatic rice and mixed leav	£26.00 res
Souvlaki (g) C Char-grilled skewers served with aromatic rice and mixe Chicken Lamb	ed leaves £21.00 £23.00
Grilled Breast of Chicken (gf) Butterflied and marinated in yoghurt, lemon & black per with a wild rocket salad and a side of houmous	£24.00 epper,
Char-Grilled Meditteranean Vegetables (gf, df) With a lemon & olive oil dressing	£19.50
Grilled Whole Seabass (served on or off the bone) (gf, df) Roasted cherry tomatoes and mixed leaves	£28.00
Grilled King Prawns (gf) Chilli, garlic, lemon & parsley served with mixed leaves	£26.00
Grilled Fillet of Salmon (gf, df) With 'spanakorizo' spinach rice	£26.00
Vegan "Ospria" of the day (gf, df) Traditional Greek vegan dish.	£,15.00
Char-grilled 28-day hung Jewkes & Dalby Beef	f) E

Grilled tomato and steak-cut chips with truffle oil & parmesan Sirloin (300g)£30.00 Fillet (250g)£35.00 T-Bone (500g) $f_{.40.00}$

Greek Specialities

£26.00 Kleftiko (df) E Slow-cooked lamb shoulder spiced with oregano & bay leaves, served with potatoes and braised onion

Moussaka E

 $f_{24.00}$

Layers of minced beef, potato, aubergine and courgette, baked with a Greek graviera cheese sauce

Vegetarian Moussaka @

£21.00 £16.00

Bamies (df, gf) Traditional dish of roasted okra in a rich tomato sauce

Souvla (g) E

Slow spit-roasted boned chicken leg or lamb neck fille aromatic rice and salad (Fri & Sat evening and upon re	t, with equest)
Chicken	£24.00
Lamb	£26.00
Mixed	£25.00

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Sides

Greek Salad	£9.50
Twice Cooked Fries	£5.00
Grilled Asparagus	£6.00
Steak-cut Chips with truffle oil and parmesan	£6.50
Steamed Spinach	£5.00
Courgette Fries	£6.00
Heritage Beetroot Salad with almond skordalia (<i>n</i>)	£8.50
Steamed Brocolli	£5.00
Aromatic Vegetable Rice	£4.50

Desserts

Trio of Greek Desserts (<i>n</i>) C Baklava, Galatopoureko and Shamali with vanilla ice cream, pistachio crumble & mixed be	£9.00 rries
Lemonopita (<i>n</i>) Shortcrust pastry filled with lemon custard, dece with pine nuts & icing. Served with vanilla ice cr	
Berries and Yoghurt Ice Cream Enriched with blueberries, recurrants & berry sa	£8.00 auce
Warm Chocolate and Almond Torte (<i>n</i>) Served with vanilla ice cream	£8.00
AppleTorte (<i>n</i>) Served with cinnamon ice cream	£8.00
Ricotta and Pear Tart <i>(n)</i> Ricotta cheese cream with pear & hazelnut biscu	£8.00 uit.
Selection of Ice-Creams and Sorbets	£7.00
Fresh Fruit Platter	£9.50pp

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Hot Drinks

Espresso / Macchiato	£4.50
Double Espresso / Double Macchiato	£5.50
Americano	£5.50
Greek Coffee	£5.50
Teas	£6.00
Latte	£6.00
Cappuccino	£6.00
Hot Chocolate	£7.00

The Elysée Set Meze

2-courses £45.00 | 3-courses £50.00 per person Min. 2 persons

<u>To Start</u>

A Selection of Delectable Meze Sharing Dishes

(£25.00 pp if served as an à la carte starter)

Grilled Pitta Bread

Houmous - Puréed chick peas with lemon, tahini & a hint of garlic (df, gf)
Taramosalata - Fresh cod roe beaten with olive oil and lemon (df)
Tzatziki - Strained Greek yoghurt with cucumber, mint and garlic (gf)
Cypriot Halloumi Cheese grilled, with tomato and basil chutney (gf)
Crispy Calamari, lightly fried
Spanakopita - Spinach & feta-stuffed filo parcels
Keftedes - Lamb meatballs with couscous, tomato sauce & Greek yoghurt
Pamies - roasted okra in a rich tomato sauce (gf, df)
Dolmades - Vine leaves filled with beef, rice and spices (gf, df)
Grilled King Prawns with chilli, lemon and garlic (gf)

Followed by a Choice Of

Chicken and/or Lamb Souvla (g) 4-hour spit-roasted boned chicken leg and/or lamb neck fillet (Friday & Saturday evenings and upon request only)

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Chicken / Lamb Souvlaki Skewers (gf)

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Vegetarian Moussaka

All served with Greek salad, aromatic vegetable rice and twice-cooked chips

To finish

The Elysée Greek Dessert Platter (*n*) A selection of home-made Greek sweets

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