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Where the hell have you been?
What the hell have you been up to?

By Alastair Campbell

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"The real man smiles in trouble, gathers strength from distress and grows brave by reflection" - THOMAS PAINE



From top: A Wong; the Hemp at Wasels; 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 is the best of the best in 2019.

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2019



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

Best RESTAURANT

- **Oriole, London**
oriolebar.com
- **Satan's Whiskers, London**
@satans_whiskers
- **The Dead Canary, Cardiff**
thedeadcanary.co.uk
- **Wasels at The Mandrake, London**
themandrake.com

Best SOMMELIER

- **Albert Blaize at The Mandrake, London**
themandrake.com
- **Alex Frequin at Moor Hall, Lancashire**
moorhall.com
- **Jolanta Dinadze at Corrigan's, London**
corriganmayfair.co.uk
- **Honey Spencer at Nuala, London**
nualalondon.com
- **Matteo Montone at Berners Tavern, London**
bernertstavern.com
- **Stefan Kobald at The Social Company, London**
thesocialcompany.co.uk
- **Wasels at The Mandrake, London**
themandrake.com
- **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
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corriganmayfair.co.uk
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themandrake.com

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frogbyadamhandling.com
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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

Best RESTAURANT

- **Tom Sellers at Restaurant Story, London**
restaurantstory.co.uk
- **Stefan Kobald at The Social Company, London**
thesocialcompany.co.uk
- **Wasels at The Mandrake, London**
themandrake.com

Best RESTAURANT

- **Des Gunewardena and David Lowri at O&O London**
oandolondon.com
- **Gary Usher of Sticky Walnut, Hipsi, Burnt Truffle and Wreckfish stickywalnut.net; hipsinet; burnttruffle.net; wreckfish.co.uk**
- **Layo and Zoë Paskin of The Blue Posts, Evelyn's Table, The Mulwary, The Palmier and The Barbary**
theblueposts.co.uk; thepalmier.co.uk; thebarbary.co.uk

- **Tom Kitchin of The Kitchen, Castle Terrace, The Scran & Scallie and Southside Scran**
thekitchen.com; castleterraceraestaurant.com; scransandscallie.com; southsidescran.com
- **Tom Sellers at Restaurant Story, London**
restaurantstory.co.uk
- **Stefan Kobald at The Social Company, London**
thesocialcompany.co.uk
- **Wasels at The Mandrake, London**
themandrake.com

Best HOTEL

- **Adare Manor, County Limerick**
adaremanor.com
- **Corinthia, London**
corinthia.com
- **Lymington Manor, Devon**
lymingtonmanor.co.uk
- **Radstock Townhouse, Cornwall**
paul-ainsworth.co.uk
- **Summer Lodge, Dorset**
summerlodgehotel.co.uk
- **Whitley Manor, Wiltshire**
whitleymanor.com

Best INTERIOR

- **Annabel's, London**
annabels.co.uk
- **The Coral Room, London**
thecoralroom.co.uk
- **Greyhound Café, London**
greyhoundcafe.co.uk
- **Lina Stores, London**
linastores.com
- **The Baptist Grill, London**
baptistgrill.com
- **Mr Foggy's Society Of Exploration, London**
mr-foggs.com

Best FRONT OF HOUSE

- **Jean-Claude Breton at Restaurant Gordon Ramsay, London**
gordonramsayrestaurants.com
- **Juanito Asencio at Chiltern Firehouse, London**
chilternfirehouse.com
- **Gianluca Austin-Rizzo at Simpsons Restaurant, Birmingham**
simpsonsrestaurant.co.uk
- **Kamila Pionka at Adam Reid At The French, Manchester**
the-french.co.uk

• **Rosie Barclay at Nathan Outlaw, Cornwall**
nathan-outlaw.com

Best OVERALL EXPERIENCE

- **Chewton Glen, Hampshire**
chewtonglen.com
- **Coombeshead Farm, Cornwall**
coombesheadfarm.co.uk
- **Gleneagles, Perthshire**
gleneagles.com
- **Howards, London**
howards.london
- **Laylow, London**
laylow.co.uk
- **Peterham Nurseries, London**
petershamnurseries.com

Best BREAKTHROUGH

- **83 Hanover Street, Edinburgh**
83hanoverstreet.com
- **Caractère, London**
caractere-restaurant.com
- **Etch, East Sussex**
etchfood.co.uk
- **Evelyn's Table, London**
thebluesteps.co.uk
- **RedFarm, London**
redfarmltd.com
- **Sabor, London**
saborrestaurants.co.uk

Best PUB

- **The Compass Inn, Wiltshire**
thecompassinn.com
- **The Drunken Duck, Cumbria**
drunkenduckinn.co.uk
- **The Fox & Pheasant, London**
thefoxandpheasant.com
- **Fordwich Arms, Kent**
fordwicharms.co.uk
- **Plum & Partridge, Yorkshire**
theplumandpartridge.co.uk
- **The St Study Inn, Cornwall**
ststudyinn.com

Veuve Clicquot INNOVATOR

- **Hide, London**
hide.co.uk
- **Native, London**
ednative.co.uk
- **Mark Hix**
hixrestaurants.co.uk
- **The Marram Grass, Anglesey**
themarragrass.com
- **The Spread Eagle, London**
thespreadeagle.london
- **White Rabbit Fund**
whiterabbitfund.com

Lifetime ACHIEVEMENT

To be announced on the night

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 Carow

Chief-turned-moodi-turned-chef Isaac Carow 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 158 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 Erilar.



Bertrand Steip

Bertrand Steip has enjoyed a celebrated career in the luxury drinks industry. After nearly three decades with Meuk & Picher, 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**