

RESTAURANT REVIEW SAMPLE

Your local newspaper is asking its readers to write a review of a restaurant where you have eaten recently and would recommend to others.

Write your review in 150-200 words

THE OPEN HOUSE POLO RESTAURANT



Name/location

The 'Open House' is a restaurant situated in the heart of a small village between three national forests and close to the horse's capital city, Chantilly. It is the favourite hangout place for people from the polo, horse races, and golf world.



Atmosphere/decor

As you enter the place, a magnificent setting, a delightful marriage of antique cut stones and the luxuries of modernity welcome you. Sitting in any table, you have a wonderful view of the workshop-like kitchen where you can see the chefs working. For those who do not book a table and are waiting, there is a cosy lounge with aged leather armchairs and pictures of polo players displayed on the walls.



*The menu/dishes,
The ingredients
and service*

The menu offers a wide variety of mouth-watering starters. I had the white asparagus accompanied by a mousseline sauce and poached eggs. They were exquisite. **All the products were fresh** and the dishes had the warmth of homemade food. **The chefs take great care in** selecting the best quality ingredients. What a pity that **the service does not accompany the high quality of the cooking.** You can hardly get a smile out of the waiters.



Recommendation

Despite the high price of the food and the not so attentive waiters' service, I had a pleasant dining experience with food of the most exquisite flavours. For this reason, **I highly recommend** going to the Open House Polo restaurant.

ACTIVITY 1

Read and place the expressions under the given titles

✓ <i>Food</i> ✓ <i>Staff/service</i>	✓ <i>Menu</i> ✓ <i>Price</i>	✓ <i>Décor/atmosphere</i>
<p>My husband and I came here for a quick dinner last night, before visiting The Hideaway club down the road. From the moment we walked in, we were greeted with a warm and friendly service. The decor is quirky and inviting and we immediately felt comfortable. I love that the menu is quite small and uncomplicated. We chose several starter dishes and two main dishes, which was plenty to fill us up - This is not your “run of the mill” Chinese food. Everything is cooked fresh and you can taste the difference in comparison to some other restaurants.</p>		
<p>Short menu, delicious, natural food, real chefs, great presentation and the service and ambience are top notch too. Never mind that it is in Stratham, walk through the door and you will be transported.</p>		
<p>Lovely meal. Excellent dim sum. Exceptionally friendly and polite staff. All of the food was delicious and fresh. The sauces were just right. Thanks for a lovely evening. I think we have found our new favourite Chinese restaurant.</p>		
<p>The food was excellent and unusually the menu was concise with enough choice to satisfy most tastes. The dim sum were excellent and the mains faultless. All in all a very pleasant meal.</p>		
<p>Five of us went for a birthday meal on a recommendation from a friend. We did not know what to expect but was pleasantly surprised at the quality of the food and service. The decor is trendy and the price very reasonable. I would recommend this to anyone and will visit again.</p>		
<p>The atmosphere is very cozy, with nice design and intimate lighting. And, the staff are lovely and can help with the menu. The price is very reasonable too. If I lived in London and was not here on a visit, I would definitely return regularly.</p>		
<p>We went last night for my daughter’s birthday dinner, I phoned to book a table and I am glad I did because even though it was a Tuesday, it was really busy. The service was wonderful and the food was amazing. We had dim sum to start followed by several different dishes and everything was gorgeous. The price was very reasonable too, we were a party of 6 and it was just over £20 a head including our drinks. The atmosphere was great along with the decor, thank you for a lovely evening, we will be back soon!</p>		