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EXPERIENCE THE MEDITERRANEAN AT RESTAURANT TAPENADE

Discovery Primea Makati showcases the bold, light and summery flavors of Spain, Italy, France, Greece, Turkey and Morocco served in the newly opened all-day dining Restaurant Tapenade.

Named after a traditional Provençal condiment of finely-chopped or pureed olives, capers, anchovies and olive oil, Restaurant Tapenade boldly embodies the richness of flavors and bounties of the Mediterranean region.

The experience carries over to the expansive and airy ambience inspired by the 17th century Chinoiserie wave that was popular in Europe. Guests will surely delight in its relaxing motif, water features, a wall to wall art piece by famous muralist Alfred Galvez featuring a lush Mediterranean garden and an open kitchen highlighting a brick pizza oven which encourages interaction between the chefs and the guests.

The cuisine doesn't disappoint. Leading all of the hotel's restaurants and bars, is Executive Chef Luis Chikiamco, under the watchful eye of General Manager David Pardo de Ayala, himself an accomplished Chef for almost two decades.

One highlight of the restaurant is the "Salad Room," offering one of the most luxurious salad experiences in the Philippines.

"The Mediterranean Diet is known for its health benefits, without sacrificing flavor. This is why we decided to offer the market a gourmet and healthy alternative to the usual buffet experience," says Chef Luis.

The Salad Room opens during lunch and dinner service and features an abundant spread of freshly harvested greens, condiments, dressings and vinaigrettes, as well as flavored-oils, dips and salsas, cold-cuts and cheese stations, seafood, sauces, terrines, rillettes and breads.

"Mediterranean Cuisine is very friendly to the Philippine palate thanks to our Spanish heritage. We carefully selected the dishes in Tapenade to showcase flavors that have familiar yet unique tastes," says Chikiamco.

Items that have received great reviews from the customers are the handmade pizzas like the Pizza Tartufata which is made of Italian Guanciale, Black Truffles with a free-range Egg, making a tasty gourmet surprise.

Also noteworthy is the hand rolled Pumpkin Agnolotti, which has the familiar taste of sweet pumpkin, but again given a Master touch with rosemary brown butter and crispy prosciutto.

The restaurant also showcases classic Mediterranean dishes like Chicken Tagine with green olives, lemon confit, and aromatic Moroccan sauce, and Lamb kebabs with an updo of Orzo al Pesto on the side.

Other favorites are more imaginative such as the Procini Crusted US Angus Rib-eye, the best steak cut, with extra flavors that compliment and not over power.

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