



# **DUBAI FOOD FESTIVAL 2019: THE FOODIE FUN CONTINUES**

**Dubai, United Arab Emirates, 28 February 2019:** Dubai Food Festival (DFF) is the festival that keeps on serving... delicious food that is! Celebrating food across Dubai until 9 March – residents and visitors alike have plenty of opportunities to discover delicious.

With only 10 days left to go, here's a list of what you need to try out over the next week at DFF:

## • Beachside fun at swyp Beach Canteen

DFF's flagship event is bigger and better this year, with special zones that should not be missed! Make your way to the Food Piazza, Family Food Zone or 7UP-FIDO's Food Truck Alley to try out a variety of food ranging from delicious burgers, wholesome Asian food and food truck favourites amongst others. Take family and friends and head to the swyp Beach Canteen Mainstage to listen to live performances or watch movies under the stars with Roxy Cinemas. Cooking enthusiasts can watch culinary professionals show off their skills at the Cooking Court, while others can visit the Instagram-worthy Uber Eats zone, sing out loud at the Lucky Voice karaoke booth at the Fun Zone, play games at the Gaming Zone, and visit other areas such as the Retail Garden for unique and fresh food products, Workshop Space, Sports Court and Kids Play Park.







Other things to watch out for at swyp Beach Canteen this week are:

- What's a celebration without fireworks? Be sure to look at the skies on **1 March at 8:35pm** for a vibrant display of colours while at swyp Beach Canteen.
- Watch as swyp Beach Canteen gears up for a Brazilian fiesta on **2 March**, with colourful Latin American music and activities taking place throughout the space.
- Visit weekend barbeque partner Meat Avenue on **1 and 2 March** in the Fun Zone, as they'll be grilling up a delicious beach BBQ.

swyp Beach Canteen is located at Jumeirah Beach behind Sunset Mall, and will be open throughout the festival from 12pm to 10pm from Sundays to Wednesdays, 12pm to 12am on Thursdays, 10am to 12am on Fridays and 10am to 11pm on Saturdays.

### • Last chance to try Dubai Restaurant Week, brought to you by Emirates NBD and Visa

There's only 3 days left to try special 3-course meals at some of Dubai's finest restaurants, as Dubai Restaurant Week concludes on 2 March 2019. There's plenty to choose from – try Latin American cuisine at Hotel Cartagena and Argentinian dishes at Andes, relish in traditional Emirati fare at Seven Sands, pick an exquisite selection of Middle Eastern delicacies at BHAR, or enjoy modern European tastes at MINA

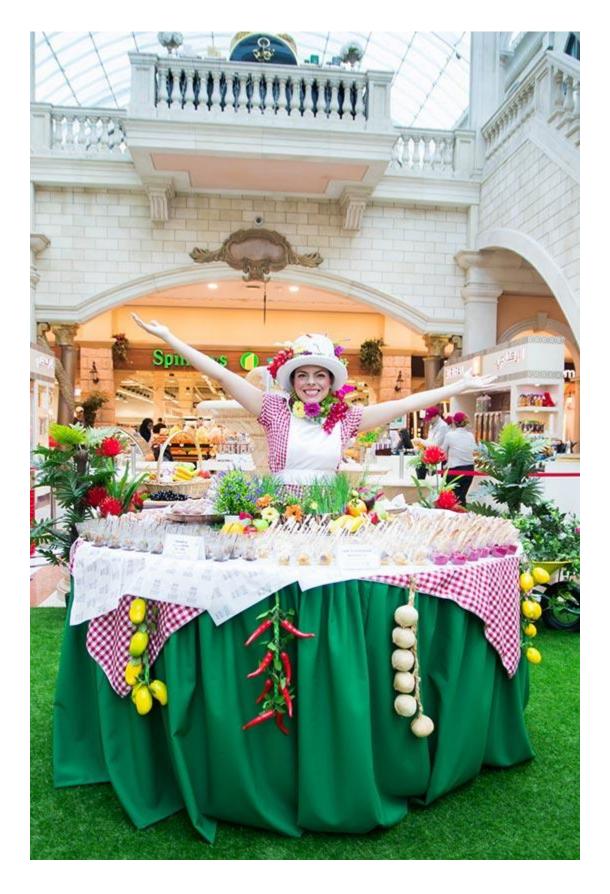




Brasserie, Italian treats at GIA, and food from around the world at The Observatory, amongst others. Book your table now on <u>Reserve Out</u>!











## • Delight in Dubai's Hidden Gems brought to you by Zomato

Culinary excellence at affordable prices? Yes please! The city's best culinary secrets will be announced on 2 March at swyp Beach Canteen and on <u>www.dubaihiddengems.com</u>, following which residents and visitors can try out special DFF meals priced at AED35 per person until 9 March. Visit the Zomato website and app for more information and set menus.



### • Embark on a culinary adventure with Foodie Experiences

Try out a variety of unique culinary events and experiences across Dubai, including masterclasses and exclusive tasting menus amongst others. More information on experiences, prices and booking are available on <u>Platinumlist</u>, and here is a list of what's happening from 28 February to 6 March:

Date	Venue	Experience and description
28 Feb	Eataly – The Dubai	Italian Masterclasses: Hone your cooking skills at Eataly and attend special
	Mall	masterclasses to make traditional Italian Pasta.





28 Feb	miX by Alain Ducasse	Chef's Table: Enjoy an exclusive, exquisite dinner with a view as you take in
	– The Emerald Palace	the 360-degree views of the ocean and the Dubai skyline from the Chef's
	Kempinski Dubai	room.
28 Feb	Atlantis, The Palm	Cirque du Cuisine: Embark on a culinary adventure through Atlantis, The
	Dubai (various	Palm Dubai with professional entertainers, decorations and an array of
	restaurants)	sumptuous food and beverage throughout award-winning restaurants.
28 Feb - 2	Studio by Tresind	Tresind Studio Gourmet Table: Prepare your appetite for this 16-course
Mar		culinary experience, led by Chef Himanshu Saini, which captures Tresind's
		culinary journey since inception.
28 Feb - 2	Marina Social	Beef Wellington Masterclass: Don an apron and learn how to create this
Mar	Restaurant	classic British dish.
28 Feb - 9	Zhen Wei – Caesar's	Zhen Wei Dim Sum & Noodle Masterclass: It's a foodie dream – make your
Mar	Palace	own dim sum and noodles, and then tuck into a three-course meal.
28 Feb - 9	The Terrace, Burj Al	Tacos on the Terrace: The humble taco comes in all shapes and forms –
Mar	Arab	whether you prefer them al pastor, as carnitas, longaniza, cochinita, with
		barbacoa, or a classic chile; you can enjoy them on the terrace of the Burj Al
		Arab, while in the shade of its iconic sail.
1 Mar	Armani/Deli Gourmet	Gourmet Italian Food Fest: Take a gastronomic tour around Italy and
	Italian Fest – Armani	Europe, exploring more than 50 types of cheeses along with antipasti, live
	Hotel, Burj Khalifa	pasta and risotto stations, traditional cheese and cold cut rooms, and
		sharing style fresh meat and seafood served to your table.
1 Mar	The Backyard	Urban Big BBQ: Enjoy cool vibes and sumptuous grills, while watching a live
		graffiti session featuring the artistic talents at Mawaheb from Beautiful
		People.
1 - 2 Mar	Queen Elizabeth 2	Afternoon Team on the QE2 Bow: Lovers of food and history can now enjoy
		an Afternoon Tea on board a world-famous vessel unlocked and ready to
		receive passengers exclusively for Dubai Food Festival.
1 - 6 Mar	Miyabi Sushi and	Sushi Master Class: Learn the art of making, rolling, cutting and serving up
	Bento	sushi.
2 Mar	miX by Alain Ducasse -	Pastry master class: Create classic French desserts like Paris-Brest, Fruit
	The Emerald Palace	Vacherin and a Chocolate Tart, followed by a delicious 3-course lunch.
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2 Mar	Craft Café	Ceviche master class: Learn why Chef Roberto Segura is one of Dubai's
		most awarded chefs as he takes you through an authentic Peruvian Ceviche
		master class.
2 Mar	Galvin Bistrot & Bar,	City Walk's longest dinner table ever: It's the perfect mix of food and vibes
	Toro, Lima	from three restaurants at Citywalk – all on one giant, long table!
2, 5, 9 Mar	Mohalla – D3	Cocktail Samosa making experience: Enjoy a soulful experience with real
		street Indian food, followed by a 3-course set menu.
3, 6 Mar	Cova, The Dubai Mall	Gourmand Experience at Cova by Chef Andrea Tarini: Learn how to
		prepare an unforgettable Italian risotto.
3 - 5 Mar	SLAB, La Mer	The World in Five Dishes: Set off on a 5-course world-inspired culinary tour
		- from Asia's finest fish selection, through Europe's fine French culinary
		arts, warm dishes from the Middle Eastern, and ending with South America's
		finest Peruvian sweet spot.
3 - 9 Mar	Casa de Tapas	The Ultimate Spanish Fiesta Experience: Join Chef Paco at a special Chef's
		table event featuring unlimited tapas and paella – and join in an introductory
		Flamenca dance lesson with their resident dancer.
4 Mar	Gulf Photo Plus Foodie	Naif by Night   Dubai Food Festival Edition: Click a picture of your food
	& Photo Tour	and eat it too on this special tour, as you take in the colourful Naif
		neighbourhood in Old Dubai.
4, 6 Mar	The Meat Co –	The Ultimate Beef Masterclass: Meat-lovers can sink their teeth into this
	Madinat Jumeirah	gourmand experience, tasting steaks from all over the world.
6 - 7 Mar	Studio by Tresind	NADODI X TRESIND STUDIO: Chef Himanshu Saini teams up with Chef
		Sricharan Venkatesh to bring to life this 14-course tasting menu, Four
		Hands Pop-Up that pushes the envelope on Indian Cuisine

# • Limited Edition Coffee

Coffee lovers will be sure to love the new limited-edition coffee drinks and offers at locations across the city – make sure you visit and try out creations like the Superfood Charcoal Latte at Costa Coffee, Saffron Latte at Cupagahwa, Pistachio Latte at Saddle located in swyp Beach Canteen, or a Smoked Botanical Latte at Andes.







Coffee purists can try out Qiso's in-house single-origin organic coffee, while those looking for a twist can try Emirati coffee with 90+ coffee blends at Emirati Coffee Co., a Bounty Latte at Doh, or Es Kurma (which blends dates, freshly roasted coffee, baby coconut and milk)!

If you're looking to pair your coffee with a snack, then look no further than Boston Lane's Doughnut Latte series that combines doughnut flavours with their signature Columbian coffee, or head to the nearest Tim Hortons outlet to grab coffee and a doughnut for only AED10.





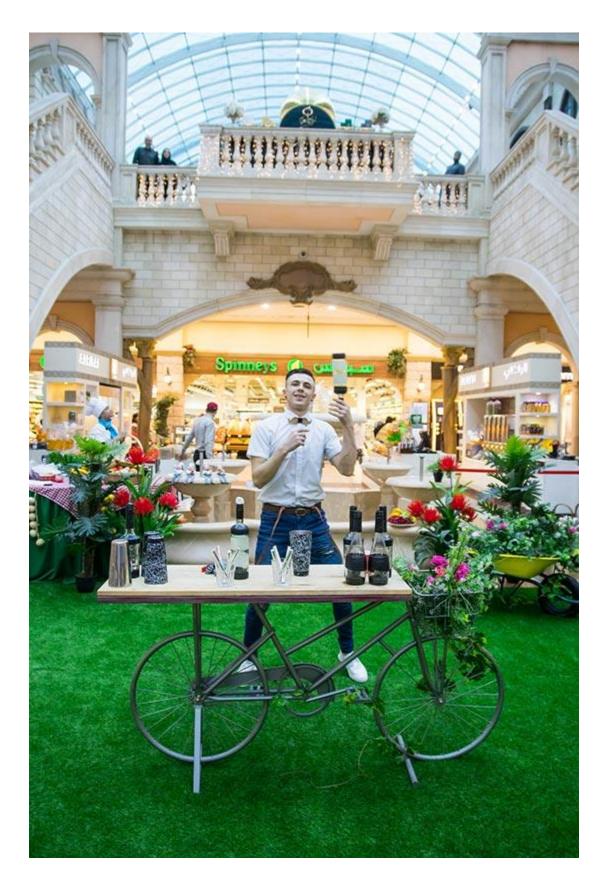


### • Dine & Win

The 'Dine & Win' promotion is in full swing, in partnership with Zomato and Dubai Shopping Malls Group (DSMG). Spend AED50 while dining at participating restaurants across the city, and be in the running to win incredible prizes, including a Nissan Patrol 50 Diamond Pendants from Jawhara and 1 million prizes and promotion codes from Zomato when ordering food online.











### • Citywide Celebrations

There are plenty more foodie activities and events across the city including:

- Enjoy the pink Miami Vibes: Head down to Last Exit Al Khawaneej daily throughout the festival from 3pm to 12am to enjoy delicious food, fun activities and a wonderful vibe for the entire family to enjoy.
- Taste your way around the World at The Pointe: From 28 February to 2 March, pick up your Pointe Passport and go on a taste journey around The Pointe, Palm Jumeirah to experience diverse flavours from a variety of restaurants and cuisines.
- "Dining + Show" package at La Perle: Hurry and buy your tickets now to Dubai's best live show along with a meal before and after the performance. Starting from just AED500 for a Gold ticket and meal, guests can choose from one of the restaurants located within the three hotels at Al Habtoor City, including Babiole, The Market, Zoco, The City Grill, Namu and BQ - French Kitchen.
- Vibrant flavours from the east to west at Club Vista Mare: Enjoy a culinary feast at Club Vista Mare, Palm Jumeirah, with delightful waterfront dining offers including 1kg Mussels for AED250 at Breeze Beach Grill, a Caribbean BBQ package at RAS Beach Vibes Lounge for AED150 per person, a four-course Peruvian-Japanese menu for AED195 per person at Aji, and a three-course set menu for AED150 per person at Simply Italian.
- #WOWJBR Cravings: Head to JBR from 28 February to 2 March, and witness singing and juggling chefs, as well as roaming candy and popcorn characters along the destination's 12km long promenade. Kids and grown-ups can also attend master carving sessions and learn how to cut fruits and vegetables into decorative shapes.
- Experience The Art at The Beach: Check out the art of culinary at The Beach, JBR from 28 February to 11 March for a first-hand experience at decorating your food and styling your plate. Enjoy activities for adult like the plating competition on 1 & 2 March and activities for children like Sketch Your Lunch on 1 & 2 March. The Beach will also set off a wonderful display of fireworks at 9pm on 1 March.
- Battle of the Chefs at City Walk: Each Friday evening during the festival, the centre of City Walk will transform into a high-energy cook-off! Head down to cheer on your favourite chefs as they battle it out for the title of 'City Walk Best Chef 2019'.
- A feast of fun with a side of laughs: Be amazed by the great feats of the juggling chefs, and chuckle at the antics in 'Comedy Chefs by Aron White' a magical comedy show at Mercato,





from 28 February to 2 March. Fun workshops are another treat for kids, as they learn how to bake create and roll their own cinnamon buns, and drawings out of pasta and rice.

• **Cooking sessions at Children's City**: Little chefs can learn how to make their own food in a fun way in Children's City in Creek Park with DFF's special weekly menu through a variety of workshops and activities.

## • Exciting (and delicious!) visits to the mall

- Take your little ones to the Organic farm workshop at **Boxpark** from 4pm to 9pm daily throughout DFF, or get active with Bootcamp and yoga sessions at Kite Beach from 28 February to 2 March.
- Shopping and dining are more fun with the opportunity to win two instant Novo Cinema tickets when spending AED250 at any of the restaurants at **Dubai Festival City Mall**, AED5,000 daily at **Mall of the Emirates**, and AED1,000 worth of Meraas Gift Cards to dine at **AI Seef** for every AED200 spent at F&B outlets in the area.
- In addition, The Dubai Mall rewards families with the Kids Eat for Free offer when they dine at participating restaurants.
- Mirdif City Centre and City Center Me'aisem are set to transform their outdoor area for DFF, featuring a variety of F&B kiosks and activities for the entire family.
- Deira City Centre is also set to inspire a sense of giving back to those in need during DFF through its partnership with the Red Crescent, asking people to donate canned food bought at Carrefour.
- Unleash your imagination and learn to express yourself at Mall of the Emirates Mini Club House from 27 February to 9 March. Children will get to experience fun activities such as plant pot painting, cupcake decorating and wooden frame making.
- For all movie lovers, DFF has special treats for you from now until the end of the festival on 9 March. THEATRE by Rhodes at VOX Cinemas in Mall of the Emirates and Mirdif City Centre is offering a limited time promotion of 2 courses for AED80 only. If you enjoy watching your movie in a Platinum Suite, get your hands on the exclusive and specially curated menu at The Dubai Mall's Reel Cinemas for a delicious taste of luxury.

For more information and a full update on DFF activities, visit <u>http://www.dubaifoodfestival.com/</u> or @DubaiFoodFest and #DubaiFoodFest.





#### About Dubai Food Festival

Dubai Food Festival is a citywide culinary celebration that showcases the Emirate's emergence as the gastronomy capital of the region through a packed 17-day programme of food-related events, activities, promotions and appearances by food celebrities all across the city. The Festival promotes the diversity, creativity and multicultural nature of Dubai's culinary offering – from its five-star gourmet dining to its unique Hidden Gems. Dubai Food Festival is organised by Dubai Festivals and Retail Establishment (DFRE), an agency of Dubai's Department of Tourism and Commerce Marketing (Dubai Tourism). In its 6th edition, Dubai Food Festival 2019, which runs from 21 February till 09 March, continues to position the emirate as a global tourism destination offering unique culinary experiences, giving residents and visitors a flavour of the very best of Dubai's food scene.

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