

# the Italian

Fine food prepared by Italians and served by Italians



**Christmas Lunch Menu Selection :**  
**December 2009**  
**£18.50 per person ~ 12 noon - 2pm**



## Starters ~

### Zuppa :

Homemade minestrone soup with fresh tomato, seasonal vegetables, short pasta and baby spinach.

### Pate Di Fegato :

Our own chicken liver pate, served with toasted ciabatta and a cranberry sauce.

### Insalata Caprese :

Layers of juicy mozzarella and ripe tomato topped with fresh basil and sat on a radicchio salad. Dressed with sea salt, cracked pepper, extra virgin olive oil and pesto.

### Funghi Alla Mediterranea :

Plump fresh mushrooms, stuffed with gorgonzola, basil and breadcrumbs. Dusted with parmesan and slowly oven baked with garlic butter.

## Main Courses ~

### Tacchino San Silvestro

Succulent turkey breast served with all the festive trimmings.

### Salmone Alle Erbe Aromatiche

Grilled fillet of hot smoked salmon served with an aromatic herb white wine butter.

### Tortelli Alla Pecorino

Handmade tortelli stuffed with asparagus and pecorino. Served with garden peas in a tomato and mascarpone sauce.

### Scaloppine Di Maiale Alla Millanese

Escalope of pork coated in breadcrumbs and pan-fried. Served with a cream and mushroom sauce.

## Sweets ~

### Panna Cotta

Our hand made panna cotta is made with fresh cream, speckled with vanilla and served with a cinnamon spiced rhubarb compote.

### Dolce Di Natale

Rich, traditional Christmas pudding served hot with a vanilla sauce.

### Profiteroles Nero

Choux pastry parcels filled with fresh cream and served in a rich dark chocolate sauce.



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Please note that for parties of Seven people or more there will be a discretionary 10% service charge