



The Champagne Room opens its door at the Connaught in Mayfair

2016 - The Champagne Room has opened its doors at the Connaught in Mayfair, affirming its status as one of London's top destinations for bar and drink aficionado by offering the ultimate luxury drinking experience. Accessed via a heavy velvet curtain in the heart of the hotel, this intimate space, crafted by interior designer Guy Oliver offers a selection of exceptionally rare champagnes, fine wines and spirits all served in bespoke crystal Baccarat glasses.

The carefully edited Champagne menu offers guests access to a handpicked selection of some of the most exclusive and rare vintages and limited edition champagnes. From one of the very last remaining bottles of Vintage Pol Roger's legendary 1914 vintage to the immensely rich bouquet of the Bollinger "RD" from 1976 to a selection of vintage Krug, these champagnes offer a rare opportunity to experience them in perfect condition.

Adding a touch of theatrical magic, the Champagne Room Trolley allows guests to become involved in the creation of their favourite cocktail by the white-gloved expert mixologists.

Guests are greeted with a daily changing "welcome champagne cocktail" made with fresh and seasonal ingredients and are served with complimentary sweet and savoury amuse-bouches by our Executive Chef, throughout the evening.

Champagne Room Manager, Stuart Courtney "With the creation of the Champagne Room we want guests to feel a sense of being immersed in the heart of the hotel yet perfectly hidden from everyone else."

The Champagne Room is illuminated by a large contemporary oval skylight which mirrors the Tadao Ando water feature at the entrance of the Connaught and is graced by a life-size bronze sculpture of a diver in motion by artist Sophie Dickens giving this intimate space a unique courtyard feel. Ovals are picked up in the mirrored furniture from the shape of the skylight which subtly refers to an underwater theme.

Featuring a palette of neutral shades and lavish blue undertones, the humidor inspired brass bar takes centre stage adding richness and warmth against the splendid limestone floor and tactile leathers.

All set against backdrops of different blue waters, Gilles Bensimon's abstract underwater flower photographs hung on the walls also reflect the strong subaquatic influences.

Interior designer Guy Oliver says, "The Champagne Bar is very Jules Verne in concept and in feeling. From the oval mirror top tables reflect the oval ceiling above and the wall lights and table top candle bases are based on an early camera lens that I found in a market in Moscow, every element in the Champagne Room is bespoke."

The Champagne Room is open between Tuesdays and Saturday from 4pm until midnight and

available for private hire.

**About the Connaught** 

In the heart of London's Mayfair, the Connaught, part of Maybourne Hotel Group, blends

contemporary style, classic English character and impeccable service to create the ultimate in

sophistication. Rooms and suites to suit every mood, exquisite cuisine from Hélène Darroze,

the charm of the Connaught and Coburg Bars, and Europe's first Aman Spa make this the

perfect place to rest, relax and dine in style.

**About Maybourne Hotel Group** 

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three of the world's most legendary five-star hotels, located in the heart of London.

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timeless elegance and intuitive service style that are the hallmarks of its properties.

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