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OpenTable Announces 100 Best Restaurants for Foodies in Canada for 2016

Restaurants from coast-to-coast make inaugural list of Canada's greatest gastronomic destinations

TORONTO, Sept. 14, 2016 /CNW/ -- As executive chefs and restaurateurs across the country draw on autumn for inspiration during a new season of dining, OpenTable, the world's leading provider of online restaurant reservations and part of The Priceline Group (NASDAQ: PCLN), revealed the 100 Best Restaurants for Foodies in Canada for 2016. The list reflects the combined opinions of more than 300,000 restaurant reviews submitted by verified OpenTable diners for more than 1,800 restaurants in Canada.



Featuring both new and established restaurants from eight provinces across the country, the inaugural list showcases the diversity of Canada's culinary landscape. Ontario has the greatest number of restaurants featured with 45, followed by Alberta with 22, and British Columbia and Québec with 14 each. Also included on this list are Manitoba, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia and Saskatchewan.

Established restaurants have a strong presence on the list, including The Prune in Stratford, Ont., which is about to celebrate its 40th year in business. However, newcomers such as Little Grouse on the Prairie in Saskatoon, Sask., and Osteria Savio Volpe in Vancouver, B.C., are sprinkled throughout. Italian fare was the most popular choice among Canadian diners, with Canadian and French cuisines placing second and third respectively. Restaurants specializing in Small Plates/Tapas, Contemporary French and Global/International cuisines were also represented on the 100 Best Restaurants for Foodies list.

"From locally sourced ingredients, artisanal cocktails, unconventional cooking methods, to an eclectic fusion of international cuisines, restaurants across the country are setting themselves apart by offering up new and unique dining experiences that are hitting the mark with self-proclaimed foodies," said Ziv Schierau, Head of National Accounts for OpenTable Canada. "This list serves as a guide for locals looking to venture beyond their usual fare and travellers wanting to indulge in one of the many eateries defining Canada as a global dining destination."

The 100 Best Restaurants for Foodies in Canada list is generated from more than 300,000 restaurant reviews submitted by verified OpenTable diners between August 1, 2015, and July 31, 2016. All restaurants with a minimum "overall" score and number of qualifying reviews were included for consideration. Qualifying restaurants were then scored and sorted according to the percentage of qualifying reviews for which "fit for foodies" was selected as a special feature.

Based on this methodology, the <u>100 Best Restaurants for Foodies in Canada</u> according to OpenTable diners are as follows (in alphabetical order):

AG at The Sterling - Niagara Falls, Ontario
Alo Restaurant - Toronto, Ontario
anew Table - Calgary, Alberta
Araxi Restaurant & Oyster Bar - Whistler, British Columbia
Atelier - Ottawa, Ontario
AVEC Bistro - Calgary, Alberta
Backhouse - Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario
Bauhaus Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia
Bent - Toronto, Ontario
Bishop's - Vancouver, British Columbia
Bistro Nolah - Dollard-Des-Ormeaux, Québec
Blue Water Cafe - Vancouver, British Columbia
The Bruce Hotel and Restaurant - Stratford, Ontario

Bruce Wine Bar - Thornbury, Ontario

Brux House Craft Beer & Kitchen - Hamilton, Ontario

Buca - Toronto, Ontario

Byblos - Toronto - Toronto, Ontario

Cafe Carlo - Winnipeg, Manitoba

Campagnolo - Toronto - Toronto, Ontario

Canteen - Edmonton - Edmonton, Alberta

Carben Restaurant - Ottawa, Ontario

The Carbon Bar - Toronto, Ontario

Carino Riserva - Calgary, Alberta

Carisma - Toronto, Ontario

Cava - Toronto, Ontario

The Chase - Toronto, Ontario

Cinara - Vancouver, British Columbia

Cucci Ristorante - Oakville, Ontario

da Maurizio - Halifax, Nova Scotia

<u>DaiLo</u> - Toronto , Ontario

Damas - Montréal, Québec

DiVino Wine Studio - Ottawa, Ontario

Eden - Rimrock Resort Hotel - Banff, Alberta

Ernest's at NAIT - Edmonton, Alberta

Europea - Montréal, Québec

Flor de Sal - Toronto, Ontario

George Restaurant - Toronto, Ontario

Graziella Restaurant - Montréal, Québec

H4C Place St-Henri - Montréal, Québec

The Harbord Room - Toronto, Ontario

Hardware Grill - Edmonton, Alberta

Hopgood's Foodliner - Toronto, Ontario

Juniper Bistro - The Juniper Hotel - Banff, Alberta

King Street Trio - Waterloo, Ontario

L'Abattoir Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia

La Chronique - Montréal, Québec

Laloux - Montréal, Québec

Langdon Hall Country House Hotel & Spa - Cambridge, Ontario

Le Baccara - Casino du Lac Leamy - Gatineau, Québec

Le Club Chasse et Peche - Montréal, Québec

Le Filet - Montréal, Québec

Le Serpent - Montréal, Québec

Lee - Toronto, Ontario

Les Deux Singes de Montarvie - Montréal, Québec

Liquidity Bistro - Okanagan Falls, British Columbia

Little Grouse on the Prairie - Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Local Kitchen & Wine Bar - Toronto, Ontario

Louisiana Purchase - Edmonton, Alberta

Lupo Restaurant & Vinoteca - Vancouver, British Columbia

The Marc - Edmonton, Alberta

Miijidaa Cafe + Bistro - Guelph, Ontario

Mistura - Toronto, Ontario

Niko's Bistro - Calgary, Alberta

The Only on King - London, Ontario

Osteria Savio Volpe - Vancouver, British Columbia

Ox and Angela Restaurant - Calgary, Alberta

Patria - Toronto, Ontario

Pizzeria Gusto - Winnipeg, Manitoba

The Prune - Stratford, Ontario

Q Haute Cuisine (formerly La Caille) - Calgary, Alberta

Quatrefoil - Dundas, Ontario

Ravine Vineyard Winery Restaurant - Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario

Raymonds - St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador

Red Ox Inn - Edmonton, Alberta

Restaurant at Peninsula Ridge - Beamsville, Ontario

Restaurant Toque! - Montréal, Québec

Sabor Restaurant - Edmonton, Alberta

Salt Wine Bar - Toronto, Ontario

Solstice Seasonal Cuisine - Edmonton, Alberta

Tango Bistro - Calgary, Alberta

Tango Nuevo - Kingston, Ontario

Tap Restaurant - Surrey, British Columbia

Tapas Restaurant - Canmore, Alberta

Tapeo - Montréal, Québec

Tavola - Vancouver, British Columbia

Three Ravens Restaurant & Wine Bar - Banff, Alberta

Trattotoria Timone - Oakville, Ontario

Treadwell Farm-to-Table Cuisine - Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario

Trius Winery Restaurant - Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario

Tzin Wine & Tapas - Edmonton, Alberta

Vero Bistro Moderne - Calgary, Alberta

Vineland Estates Winery Restaurant - Vineland, Ontario

Waterfront Wines - Kelowna, British Columbia

West Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia

Wildcraft - Waterloo, Ontario

Woodlot - Toronto, Ontario

Woods Restaurant & Bar - Toronto, Ontario

WORKSHOP kitchen + culture - Calgary, Alberta

Zee Grill - Toronto, Ontario

Zest Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia

The complete list may also be viewed at http://www.opentable.com/m/best-foodie-restaurants-in-canada/. Diners can also read more about the 100 Best Restaurants for Foodies in Canada by visiting the OpenTableblog.

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About OpenTable Restaurant Reviews

Originally launched in November 2008, the OpenTable Reviews program helps diners find restaurants that best fit their dining occasions. Only diners who recently honoured an OpenTable reservation are invited to submit restaurant reviews. Visitors to OpenTable can access reviews for thousands of OpenTable restaurant partners across the United States, Canada, Germany, Ireland, Japan and the UK. The OpenTable Reviews program has generated more than 38 million restaurant reviews by verified diners, establishing OpenTable as one of the largest and most trusted sources for restaurant reviews.

About OpenTable

OpenTable, part of The Priceline Group (NASDAQ: PCLN), is the world's leading provider of online restaurant reservations, seating more than 20 million diners per month via online bookings across more than 38,000 restaurants. The OpenTable network connects restaurants and diners, helping diners discover and book the perfect table and helping restaurants deliver personalized hospitality to keep guests coming back. The OpenTable service enables diners to see which restaurants have available tables, select a restaurant based on verified diner reviews, menus, and other helpful information, and easily book a reservation. In addition to the company's website and mobile apps, OpenTable powers online reservations for nearly 600 partners, including many of the Internet's most popular global and local brands. For restaurants, the OpenTable hospitality solutions enable them to manage their reservation book, streamline their operations, and enhance their service levels. Since its inception in 1998, OpenTable has seated over 1 billion diners around the world and more than 42 million in Canada. OpenTable is headquartered in San Francisco and available throughout the United States, as well as in Australia, Canada, Germany, Ireland, Japan, Mexico, and the UK.

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