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OpenTable Announces 100 Best Restaurants in Canada Based on Diner Reviews

TORONTO, Dec. 1, 2016 /CNW/ -- Just in time to ring in a new year of dining, <u>OpenTable</u>, the world's leading provider of online restaurant reservations and part of The Priceline Group (NASDAQ: PCLN), today announced the <u>100 Best Restaurants in Canada for 2016</u>. These awards reflect the combined opinions of more than 480,000 restaurant reviews submitted by verified OpenTable diners for more than 1,900 restaurants in Canada.



From indulgent sushi spots to tantalizing trattorias, luxurious vineyards and everything in between, the 100 Best Restaurants in Canada list features exceptional restaurants from provinces across the country. Fifty-one restaurants from last year have again been selected, making room for a number of establishments to be recognized by OpenTable diners on this year's 100 Best Restaurants list. Ontario leads all provinces with 45 restaurants in the top 100, followed by British Columbia with 24, Alberta with 18 and Québec with 11. Manitoba is also represented on this third-annual list.

For the first time since OpenTable began compiling this list in 2014, Italian proved the most popular cuisine among diners, followed by Canadian and French cuisines placing second and third respectively. Restaurants serving Japanese, Contemporary American, Spanish and Mediterranean cuisines also ranked in the Top 100.

"The honourees on the 100 Best Restaurants list — from established restaurants offering traditional dishes to innovative eateries serving up the best ingredients from across the globe — illustrate the finest culinary experiences in Canada as determined by OpenTable diners for 2016," said Ziv Schierau, Head of National Accounts for OpenTable Canada. "It's clear that an elevated atmosphere, exceptional service, and most of all, delicious food, define the best restaurants in Canada."

The list of the 100 Best Restaurants in Canada is generated solely from more than 480,000 verified OpenTable diner reviews collected between November 1, 2015, and October 31, 2016. All restaurants with a minimum "overall" score and number of qualifying reviews were included for consideration. Qualifying restaurants were then sorted according to a score calculated from each restaurant's average rating in the "overall" category along with that restaurant's rating relative to others in the same metropolitan area.

Based on this methodology, the **100 Best Restaurants in Canada** according to OpenTable diners are as follows (in alphabetical order):

529 Wellington - Winnipeg, Manitoba

Alo Restaurant - Toronto, Ontario

Ancaster Mill - Ancaster, Ontario

ANJU - Calgary, Alberta

Araxi Restaurant & Oyster Bar - Whistler, British Columbia

Auberge du Pommier - Toronto, Ontario

Bacchus Restaurant & Lounge - Wedgewood Hotel - Vancouver, British Columbia

Backhouse - Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario

Bauhaus Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia

Bent - Toronto, Ontario

Blink Restaurant - Calgary, Alberta

Blu Ristorante - Toronto, Ontario

Blue Water Café - Vancouver, British Columbia

Bolero - Calgary, Alberta

Bonaparte - Montréal, Québec

BOSK at Shangri-La Hotel Toronto - Toronto, Ontario

Bow Valley Ranche Restaurant - Calgary, Alberta

Buca - Toronto, Ontario

Buca Yorkville - Toronto, Ontario

The Butchart Gardens - The Dining Room - Brentwood Bay, British Columbia Byblos - Toronto - Toronto, Ontario Bymark - Toronto, Ontario Cambridge Mill - Cambridge, Ontario Campagnolo - Toronto - Toronto, Ontario Canoe Restaurant and Bar - Toronto, Ontario Canteen - Edmonton - Edmonton, Alberta The Carbon Bar - Toronto, Ontario Carisma - Toronto, Ontario Chabrol - Toronto, Ontario The Chase - Toronto, Ontario CinCin Ristorante + Bar - Vancouver, British Columbia Colette Grand Cafe and Bakery - Toronto, Ontario Cucci Ristorante - Oakville, Ontario DaiLo - Toronto, Ontario Damas - Montréal, Québec Estiatorio VOLOS - Toronto, Ontario Europea - Montréal, Québec Five Sails Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia Forage - Vancouver, British Columbia George Restaurant - Toronto, Ontario Gotham Steakhouse and Bar - Vancouver, British Columbia Gyu-Kaku - Vancouver - Vancouver, British Columbia Harbour Sixty - Toronto, Ontario Hardware Grill - Edmonton, Alberta Hawksworth Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia Homer Street Cafe & Bar - Vancouver, British Columbia Hy's Steakhouse - Calgary - Calgary, Alberta Hy's Steakhouse - Toronto - Toronto, Ontario Hy's Steakhouse Encore - Vancouver, British Columbia Jacobs & Co. Steakhouse - Toronto, Ontario Joe Fortes Seafood & Chop House - Vancouver, British Columbia The Keg Steakhouse + Bar - Mansion - Toronto, Ontario The Keg Steakhouse + Bar - York Street - Toronto, Ontario Kitchen76 at Two Sisters Vineyards - Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario L'Abattoir Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia The Lake House - Calgary, Alberta Le Club Chasse et Pêche - Montréal, Québec Le Filet - Montréal, Québec Le Serpent - Montréal, Québec Lee - Toronto, Ontario Lupo Restaurant & Vinoteca - Vancouver, British Columbia The Marc - Edmonton, Alberta Maison Boulud - Montréal, Québec Miku Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia Miku Restaurant - Toronto - Toronto, Ontario Minami Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia Morton's The Steakhouse - Toronto - Toronto, Ontario The Nash - Calgary, Alberta Nota Bene - Toronto, Ontario ONE Restaurant - Toronto, Ontario O.Noir - Montréal, Québec Oru - Vancouver, British Columbia Osteria Savio Volpe - Vancouver, British Columbia Ox and Angela Restaurant - Calgary, Alberta Patria - Toronto, Ontario Peller Estates Winery Restaurant - Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario Pidgin - Vancouver, British Columbia Pineridge Hollow - RM of Springfield, Manitoba Quails' Gate Estate Winery - Old Vines Restaurant - Kelowna, British Columbia Ravine Vineyard Winery Restaurant - Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario Restaurant Leméac - Montréal, Québec Restaurant Toqué! - Montréal, Québec

River Café - Calgary, Alberta

Sabor Restaurant - Edmonton, Alberta

Scaramouche Restaurant - Toronto, Ontario

The Shore Club - Toronto - Toronto, Ontario

Tapas Restaurant - Canmore, Alberta

Tapeo - Montréal, Québec

The Teahouse Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia

Ten Foot Henry - Calgary, Alberta

Terroni YONGE - Toronto, Ontario

TOCA - Ritz Carlton Toronto - Toronto, Ontario

Trattoria Timone - Oakville, Ontario

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

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

Vero Bistro Moderne - Calgary, Alberta

West Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia

Woodlot - Toronto, Ontario

Woodwork - Edmonton, Alberta

WORKSHOP kitchen + culture - Calgary, Alberta

The complete list may also be viewed at http://www.opentable.com/m/best-restaurants-in-canada-for-2016/.

Diners can also read more about the 100 Best Restaurants in Canada by visiting the OpenTable blog.

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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 40 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 21 million diners per month via online bookings across more than 40,000 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 45 million in Canada. OpenTable is headquartered in San Francisco and has bookable restaurants in more than 20 countries, including Australia, Canada, Germany, Ireland, Japan, Mexico, United Kingdom and the United States.

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