

## **OpenTable Announces Inaugural Top 100 Best Restaurants in Canada List Based on Diner Reviews**

TORONTO, March 26, 2015 /CNW/ -- <u>OpenTable</u>, the world's leading provider of online restaurant reservations and part of The Priceline Group (NASDAQ: PCLN), is excited to announce its first <u>Top 100 Best Restaurants in Canada</u> list. The list reflects the combined opinions of more than 275,000 restaurant reviews submitted by verified OpenTable diners for approximately 1,500 restaurants in Canada.



The Top 100 list includes award winners from eight provinces, with restaurants as far west as British Columbia's *Wolf in the Fog* and as far east as Newfoundland's *Raymonds*.

A unique trend seen this past year in Canada was the popularity of wineries, which made up 20 per cent of the Top 100 including Quails' Gate Estate Winery, Peller Estates Winery Restaurant and Trius Winery Restaurant.

Ontario dominated the list with an impressive 38 restaurants making the Top 100, followed by Quebec with 21, British Columbia with 19 and Alberta with 15.

French fare was the most popular choice among Canadian diners, with Italian trailing closely behind. Canada's diverse culinary landscape was well represented with cuisines such as Japanese, Mediterranean, Syrian and Turkish ranking in the Top 100.

"We are thrilled to introduce our first ever Top 100 Best Restaurants awards in Canada," said Caroline Potter, Chief Dining Officer, OpenTable. "Each restaurant provides an exceptional dining experience that sets it apart, including top level hospitality, incomparable food and cocktails and an atmosphere that leaves guests anticipating their next visit."

The Top 100 Best Restaurants in Canada are amassed from more than 275,000 restaurant reviews collected from verified OpenTable diners who dined at Canadian restaurants between February 1, 2014, and January 31, 2015. All restaurants with a minimum 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.

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

529 Wellington - Winnipeg, Manitoba

Aberfoyle Mill - Guelph, Ontario

Afternoon Tea - The Fairmont Empress Hotel - Victoria, British Columbia

AG at The Sterling - Niagara Falls, Ontario

Amici Restaurant - Winnipeg, Manitoba

Ancaster Mill - Ancaster, Ontario

Araxi - Whistler, British Columbia

Atelier - Ottawa, Ontario

Au Cinquieme Peche - Montreal, Quebec
Auberge du Pommier - Toronto, Ontario
Ayden Kitchen & Bar - Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
Batifole Restaurant - Toronto, Ontario
BIS Ristorante - Montreal, Quebec
Bishop's - Vancouver, British Columbia
Blue Water Cafe - Vancouver, British Columbia
Bonaparte - Montreal, Quebec
The Bruce Hotel and Restaurant - Stratford, Ontario
Bruce Wine Bar - Thornbury, Ontario
Buca Yorkville - Toronto, Ontario
Butchart Gardens - The Dining Room - Brentwood Bay, British Columbia
Byblos - Toronto, Ontario
Cambridge Mill - Cambridge, Ontario
Canoe Restaurant and Bar - Toronto, Ontario
Carambola - Hudson, Quebec
Characters Fine Dining - Edmonton, Alberta
Charles Inn - Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario
The Chase - Toronto, Ontario
<u>Chiado</u> - Toronto, Ontario
Chives Canadian Bistro - Halifax, Nova Scotia
Cioppino's Mediterranean Grill - Vancouver, British Columbia
Cucci Ristorante - Oakville, Ontario
Cut Steakhouse - Halifax, Nova Scotia
<u>da Maurizio</u> - Halifax, Nova Scotia
Da Vinci Ristorante - Montreal, Quebec
Damas - Montreal, Quebec
Eden - Rimrock Resort Hotel - Banff, Alberta
The Empress Room- The Fairmont Empress Hotel - Victoria, British Columbia
Enoteca Sociale - Toronto, Ontario

## Europea - Montreal, Quebec Five Sails Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia George Restaurant - Toronto, Ontario Graziella Restaurant - Montreal, Quebec Hardware Grill - Edmonton, Alberta Hawksworth Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia Il Buco - Barrie, Ontario Inn on the Twenty - Jordan Station, Ontario Jacobs & Co. Steakhouse - Toronto, Ontario L'Abattoir Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia La Verita - Dollard-des-Ormeaux, Quebec Laloux - Montreal, Quebec Le Club Chasse et Peche - Montreal, Quebec Le Filet - Montreal, Quebec Les 400 Coups - Montreal, Quebec Les Deux Singes de Montarvie - Montreal, Quebec Liquidity Bistro - Okanagan Falls, British Columbia Los Colibris - Toronto, Ontario L'Unita Enoteca - Toronto, Ontario Lupo Restaurant & Vinoteca - Vancouver, British Columbia Maison Boulud - Montreal, Quebec The Marc - Edmonton, Alberta Mideastro Yorkville - Toronto, Ontario Miku Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia Mye Japanese Restaurant - Oakville, Ontario The Oakwood Canadian Bistro - Vancouver, British Columbia Old Surrey Restaurant - Surrey, British Columbia The Only on King - London, Ontario Open Range - Calgary, Alberta

Opus Restaurant - Toronto, Ontario

Peller Estates Winery Restaurant - Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario Portuscalle - Montreal, Quebec Q Haute Cuisine (formerly La Caille) - Calgary, Alberta Quails' Gate Estate Winery -Kelowna, British Columbia Quatrefoil - Dundas, Ontario Ravine\_Vineyard Restaurant - Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario Raymonds - St. John's, Newfoundland Red Ox Inn - Edmonton, Alberta Restaurant e18hteen - Ottawa, Ontario Restaurant Le Continental -Quebec, Quebec Restaurant Toque! - Montreal, Quebec Rouge - Calgary, Alberta Rustica Steakhouse at Silvertip Golf Resort - Canmore, Alberta Sabor Restaurant - Edmonton, Alberta Salt Wine Bar - Toronto, Ontario Scaramouche Restaurant - Toronto, Ontario Sonora Room Restaurant - Oliver, British Columbia Splendido - Toronto, Ontario Sterling Restaurant - Gatineau, Quebec Tapas Restaurant - Canmore, Alberta Tapeo - Montreal, Quebec Three Ravens Restaurant & Wine Bar - Banff, Alberta 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 Vertige - Montreal, Quebec Villa Firenze - Calgary, Alberta Vineland Estates Winery - Vineland, Ontario Weinkeller - Niagara Falls, Ontario

Wolf In The Fog - Tofino, British Columbia

Zest Restaurant - Vancouver, British Columbia

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

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## About OpenTable Verified Diners and Restaurant Reviews

Originally launched in November 2008, the OpenTable Reviews program helps diners find restaurants that best fit their dining occasions. Only diners who have booked and honoured an OpenTable reservation are able to submit restaurant reviews. Only reviews by verified diners are published on OpenTable. Visitors to OpenTable can access reviews for thousands of OpenTable restaurant partners across Canada, the United States, Germany and the UK. The OpenTable Reviews program has generated more than 30 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 16 million diners per month via online bookings across more than 32,000 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 more than 760 million diners around the world. The Company is headquartered in San Francisco, California, and the OpenTable service is available throughout the United States, as well as in Canada, Germany, Japan, Mexico, and the UK.

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