

ICONIC ST PANCRAS RENAISSANCE HOTEL LAUNCHES DESTINATION BAR CELEBRATING ITS BRITISH HERITAGE



July 2019: Set in the heart of dynamic King's Cross, discerning locals and travelers alike are invited to the city's latest cocktail bar and all-day hub, The Hansom, now open at London's famed St Pancras Renaissance Hotel. The spirited bar seamlessly blends a modern aesthetic with its magnificent neo-gothic architecture, and transforms from a laid-back hangout by day, to a social bar at night showcasing world-class cocktails inspired by the hotel's Victorian roots.

"Set in the heart of the hotel, The Hansom weaves our famed history into the quality cocktails and British menu, offset by a modern, elegant design." said **Anne Legrand**, General Manager at the St Pancras Renaissance.

Designed by Space, Copenhagen, The Hansom features a centralised bar elegantly crafted in marble with darkened brass and leather detailing, surrounded by modern furnishings blending with Victorian lamp posts and a soothing palette of gentle greens and blue. Maintaining its renowned high vaulted ceilings with Barlow Blue ironwork and tall windows, the bright space is intimately broken up with sculpted screens.

The menu, curated by The Hansom's mixologists, champions expertly crafted cocktails. In a nod to its heritage as the original Hansom Cab drop-off for St Pancras Station passengers in the 1800s, each serve draws on the Victorian era's indulgent side, inspired by a poignant moment, figure, text or tradition.

The ***Angel & Bragget Alehouse Flip***, dedicated to The Alehouse Act and The Beerhouse Act passed in the early 1800s* to encourage the relative safety of beer comparative to gin, infuses London Porter with rum, sherry and banana liqueur. The uplifting ***Livingstone's Boatswain*** pays homage to David Livingstone, the celebrated Victorian explorer who crossed Africa with his notoriously lively wife, whose strong and spirited heart is echoed in the heady mix of brandy, rum, coffee and cream.

The herbaceous ***Mr. Cratchit's Yuletide Punch*** mixes Earl Grey infused gin with Chapel Down sparkling wine, influenced by Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* where on a cold winter's night in Camden Ebenezer Scrooge and the Cratchit family gathered around the hearth drinking from a mixture of hot gin and lemons. Her Majesty Queen Victoria's love for the '*cratur*' is celebrated in ***The V&A Gold Fashioned***, which mixes 3 exceptional whiskies including Chivas Regal 18 Year Gold Signature with calvados and celery bitters to create an aromatic tipple.

In keeping with its Victorian tradition, the menu also includes a range of low-alcohol cocktails such as the fruity ***The Whistle & The Loving Cup*** and the floral ***White Port Fixer***, alongside a selection of zingy, refreshing mocktails.

Offering a selection of delicious seasonal small plates championing British produce, The Hansom provides a relaxed space to refuel throughout the day. The breakfast menu includes a range of healthy bowls through to the indulgent ***Bacon Yorkie***, London-smoked back bacon wrapped inside a Yorkshire pudding. Evening bites feature British classics such as Scotch Eggs, homemade pork scratchings, crispy salt and pepper popcorn cockles and sharing meat, fish and cheese platters, as well as a vegan cheese sharer.

A twist on the traditional British afternoon tea is served daily, with freshly made scones and sweet treats including Kentish strawberries with vanilla cream and basil, and a mouthwatering caramel glazed profiterole with salted caramel chocolate cream.

For further information, the full menu, and to book please visit:

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Cocktails from £14

Afternoon Tea from £38

Morning menu from £5

Afternoon menu from £12

Evening bites from £7

Notes To Editors

* The Alehouse Act and The Beerhouse Act were passed by British parliament in 1828 and 1830 respectively.

Opening Times:

Monday – Friday, 7:30am – 10:30pm

Saturday & Sunday, 9:00am – 10:30pm

Afternoon Tea, Daily, 1pm – 6pm

Capacity: 140

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Cocktail Recipes:

THE BULLINGDON CLUB COBBLER

Ingredients:

25 ml cabernet franc

22.5 ml fresh lemon juice

10 ml raspberry syrup

15 ml manzanilla sherry

15 ml crème de abricot

10 ml port charlotte islay whisky

7.5 ml orange curacao

4 drops peychaud's bitters

Method: Build over crushed ice, served in a copper julep tin

Garnish: Seasonal berries, fresh mint and icing sugar

THE V&A GOLD FASHIONED

Ingredients:

15 ml chivas regal 18 gold signature
15 ml chivas 12 years
15 ml cardamom infused st germain
10 ml bruichladdich port charlotte
10 ml calvados
5 ml demerara syrup
6 drops celery bitters

Method: Stirred in a mixing glass, strained and served over an ice sphere

Garnish: Orange zest

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