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For 12 weeks in the south of Sri Lanka an 'A' list of who's who in the culinary world flies in to cook for you. Each weekend a different venue and a different chef offers intimate dinners overlooking the expanse of the Indian ocean: or nestled in coconut plantations: gazing on paddy fields; or in the midst of the Galle Fort. This is all part of this magical culinary experience of the very first Gourmet Galle.

On Sundays one of our chosen chefs presents a master class in the Galle Fort, Sri Lanka, where tips, secrets and 'one off' recipes will be shared.



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PROGRAMME 2024

~ James Lowe

A regular on the World's 50 Best list, Lyle's ranked 33rd in the international guide for 2021 and 84th in the National Restaurant Awards' Top 100. It also has two AA Rosettes. James is a Michelin Star Chef focuses on seasonal and fresh cuisine; Restaurants include: Lyle's Restaurant, Shoreditch and Flor Bakery

Dinner at **KK Beach, Habaraduwa**
Saturday 13

Masterclass at **Galle Fort Masterclass Kitchen**
Sunday 14

~ O Tama Carey

Owner and chef of Lankan Filling Station, Sydney and author of the cookbook, 'Lanka Food: Serendipity & Spice'. Her restaurant in Sydney the Lankan Filling Station receives huge praise from critics

Dinner at **Trebartha East, Ahangama**
Saturday 20

Masterclass at **Galle Fort Masterclass Kitchen**
Sunday 21

JANUARY

~ Cynthia Shanmugalingam

Her debut cookbook 'Rambutan: Recipes from Sri Lanka', which won the Fortnum and Mason's Best Debut Cookery Book 2023, was named as the best cookbook of the year. She is the chef-proprietor of the restaurant Rambutan, which opened in 2023

Dinner at **Fort Printers, Galle Fort**
Wednesday 24

Masterclass at **Galle Fort Masterclass Kitchen**
Thursday 25

~ Jeremy Lee

His debut cookbook 'Cooking: Simply and Well, for One or Many' - the book has won many accolades including the Winner of a Fortnum's Special Award 2023 and Winner of The André Simon Award 2022 For Best Food Book. He is patron/chef of Restaurant: Quo Vadis, Soho, London

Dinner at **Jetwing Lighthouse, Galle**
with Gourmet Galle Patron, Felicia Sorensen
Friday 26

Masterclass at **Galle Fort Masterclass Kitchen**
with Karan Gokani
Sunday 28

~ Nisha Parmar

Nisha Parmar shot to culinary fame when she became a finalist in Masterchef UK in 2018, now as a private chef to celebrities. Nisha is a social influencer with 80,000 Instagram followers, one of the most popular names in celebrity private dining. She recently published a cookery book, “Share: Asian inspired Dinner Party Dishes”

Dinner at **The Merchant**
Saturday 03

Masterclass at **Galle Fort Masterclass Kitchen**
Sunday 04

~ Mark Hix

Mark is frequently lauded as one of Britain’s most eminent restaurateurs with an unrivalled knowledge of ingredients with provenance. He is an award-winning author and food writer with 12 cookbooks to his name. Previous years at the Ivy, Caprice, Hix and the Oyster and Fish House.

Dinner at **Braganza House, Talpe**
Friday 16

Masterclass at **Galle Fort Masterclass Kitchen**
Sunday 18

~ Rishi Naleendra

Rishi Naleendra a celebrated Sri Lankan chef with an outstanding repertoire of restaurants and accolades. With stints at Tetsuya, Sydney and Macalister Mansion, Singapore he has moved on to his own restaurants in Singapore raising the bar on Sri Lankan cuisine; with Michelin stars under his belt. Cloudstreet, Kotuwa and Fool Wine Bar in Singapore.

Dinner at **Kurulu Bay, Koggala**
Saturday 24

Masterclass at **Galle Fort Masterclass Kitchen**
Sunday 25



~ Darina Allen & JR Ryall

Founder of the famous Ballymaloe Cookery School, biodiverse organic farm, gardens and greenhouses in East Cork and plenty of cookery books under her belt. 9x Awards incl. Veuve Clicquot Business Woman of the Year.

Ballymaloe Desserts is JR Ryall's first book, the one he has been waiting to write his entire life. It's a curated collection of 140 recipes from the Ballymaloe repertoire, some old, some new, and all with the home cook in mind

Dinner at **Why House, Mihiripenna**
Friday 01

Afternoon Tea at **Why House, Mihiripenna**
Saturday 02

Masterclass at **Galle Fort Masterclass Kitchen**
Sunday 03

~ Hari Nayak

Chef Hari is one of the world's most famous Indian chefs today, his skills extend far beyond the kitchen. Author of the 7 bestselling books like Modern Indian Cooking and My Indian Kitchen

Dinner at **Malabar Hill, Weligama**
Saturday 09

Masterclass at **Galle Fort Masterclass Kitchen**
Sunday 10

~ Mandy Yin

The first print of her debut book, 'Sambal Shiok: The Malaysian Cookbook' sold out in less than two months of release in 2021. Mandy also has a sought after restaurant in London, Sambal Shiok

Dinner at **The Sun House, Galle**
Saturday 16

Masterclass at **Galle Fort Masterclass Kitchen**
Sunday 17

~ Peter Kuruvita

Spanning 4 decades as an award-winning chef and restaurateur, Peter has expanded his career to encompass the roles of TV presenter, author, cookbook author, restaurateur & culinary ambassador. Cookbooks under his belt include: Serendip - My Sri Lankan Kitchen; My Feast with Peter Kuruvita: Lands of the Curry Leaf

Dinner at **Cape Weligama, Weligama**
Saturday 23

Masterclass at **Galle Fort Masterclass Kitchen**
Sunday 24

~ Beach Party Finale

Cocktails and Canapes at **W15, Weligama**
Saturday 30