Restaurant Review: SUR Restaurant & Lounge in LA Is a One-of-a-Kind Dining Experience



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In West Hollywood, just a block off of Melrose Avenue lies SUR Restaurant & Lounge, a beautifully designed space with several unique rooms, a charming wait-staff and delicious food.

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Restaurant is serving up delectable Southern European cuisine, making you feel like you have traveled abroad without leaving LA.



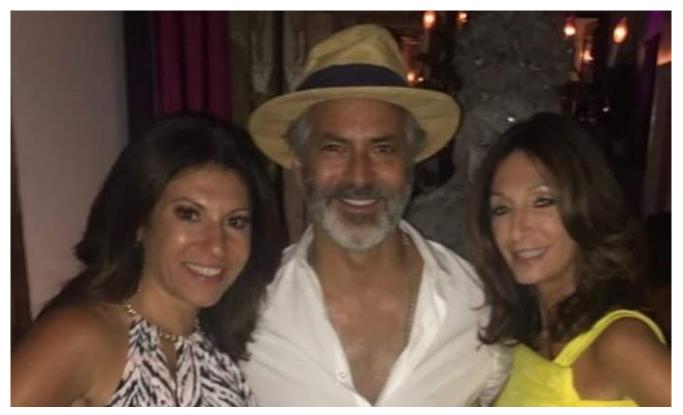
An elegant dining area at SUR

SUR is owned by two couples: Guillermo Zapata (the original owner) and his wife Natalie alongside Lisa Vanderpump and Ken Todd, whom you may know from hit reality TV show *Real Housewives of Beverly Hills* and *Vanderpump Rules*. In fact, the latter show follows the employees at SUR as they build their futures.



The owners of SUR restaurant: Ken Todd, Lisa Vanderpump, Guillermo Zapata and Nathalie Zapata

Lori Bizzoco, Founder and Executive Editor of Cupid's Pulse, recently had the opportunity to not only meet Guillermo and the staff at SUR, but also to enjoy a meal when she was in Los Angeles last week. "What you see on the show does not depict the politeness and attentiveness of the staff," said Bizzoco. "We were definitely expecting to see some more drama but everyone we met were so sweet."



Lori Bizzoco, Guillermo Zapata and Tonia DeCosimo at SUR

It turns out that the ambiance at SUR truly stands up to its name: Sexy Unique Restaurant. Each smaller room in this large venue creates an intimate dining setting. Along with its indoor dining, SUR also has a romantic outdoor patio and a chic private-party room. "It was beautifully decorated with fresh flowers everywhere," Bizzoco mused. "It felt like I was in an old mansion or walking through a Victorian maze. There was room after room, each one more elegant than the last."



One of the many dining rooms at SUR

Outside of the ambiance, the food is what makes this restaurant stand out. Bizzoco had the opportunity to try out various items from the SUR menu. She started out with the Chicken Steamed Dumplings and Fried Goat Cheese appetizers, which were both delicious.

Bizzoco also tried the Shrimp Risotto, which she described as "incredible" in addition to the Jumbo Shrimp Fettuccine. "The shrimp melted in your mouth, and the fettuccine was so creamy and smooth," she said.



Roasted Salmon Dish

That being said, Bizzoco's favorite dish was the Roasted Natural Salmon depicted above. "It was amazing," she said. "Beautifully seared on the outside and so moist on the inside that it melted right in my mouth."

With it's beautiful ambiance, seasoned wait-staff, and delicious menu, SUR definitely stands up to its self-description as being on the "cutting-edge of style and cuisine." Dining at SUR (or even just stopping in for drinks) is an experience unlike any other.

Check out their <u>website</u> for more information and don't forget to follow them on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u> to fill your timeline with mouth-watering food.