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4 LOCAL RESTAURANTS ARE OFFICIALLY NAMED 'BEST OF THE BEST GLOBALLY'

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Four Northern Ireland restaurants have made the Best of the Best global list.

[La Liste \(http://www.laliste.com/\)](http://www.laliste.com/) is the ultimate in restaurant reviews.

Far from taking a specific criteria, over 200 restaurant guides are combined using a specific algorithm to produce La Liste.

Out of the World's 1,000 best restaurants:

Deanes EIPIC (708th)
Boathouse in Bangor (831th)
OX (923rd)
James Street South (925th)

In comparison:

Gordon Ramsay (41st)
Fat Duck at Bray (150th)
Le Gavroche at the Dorchester (419th)
Alan Ducasse (437th)

La Liste was created to identify the world's top restaurants. It leverages restaurant scores and other metadata from 200-plus leading gastronomic guidebooks and websites, making it the first and the only restaurant ranking based on transparent, objective and verifiable criteria.

Three of Belfast's most popular city centre restaurants made the cut. The city is continuing to establish itself on the culinary map – with two of the top city centre restaurants also recently claiming highly-coveted Michelin stars (<http://www.belfastvibe.com/big-stories/two-popular-belfast-restaurants-have-just-won-michelin-stars/>).

Winners Deanes Eipic (<http://www.michaeldeane.co.uk/eipic/>) and OX (<http://oxbelfast.com/>), alongside James Street South (<http://www.jamesstreetsouth.co.uk/>) have helped revolutionised fine dining in the city.

EIPIC is Deanes Michelin starred restaurant, gaining the coveted accolade in the Michelin Guide 2016 just eighteen months after opening its doors.



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It is an elegant, refined, innovative, modern and glamorous dining experience, within Deanes flagship premises in Howard Street.

Head chef Danni Barry, who first trained with Michael Deane and most recently with Simon Rogan, cooks locally sourced seasonal produce, creating dishes which are precise, balanced, wholesome and full of flavour.

Meanwhile, fellow Michelin Star owner Ox, opened in just March 2013, when firm friends Belfast-born Stephen Toman and Brittany native Alain Kerloc'h combined forces and opened up at Oxford Street, where it has enjoyed huge success ever since.

OX guarantees menus which feature top quality meat and sustainably sourced fish, while also giving careful attention to seasonal vegetables and fruit. Their motto is that for too long, vegetables have played the part of a mere garnish.



They have a diverse drinks selection and carefully compiled wine list featuring local microbreweries and exciting wine makers.

James St South meanwhile, serves up some of the freshest Northern Irish produce for lunch and dinner Monday to Saturday.



Originally opened in 2003 by chef Niall McKenna, the bustling restaurant concentrates on classic cooking using the best of locally sourced produce with signature dishes including Strangford Lough Bouillabaise and Organic Lamb.

Definitely not to be forgotten, the [The Boathouse Restaurant](http://theboathouseni.co.uk/cgi-bin/mainpage/) (<http://theboathouseni.co.uk/cgi-bin/mainpage/>) in Bangor delivers upscale European food using locally sourced produce, served in a classy setting by the marina.

The Boat House is committed to providing culinary excellence and only ever use the highest quality, freshest local ingredients such as shellfish and seafood straight from the crystal clear waters of the Atlantic, Lough Neagh, Belfast Lough, Carlingford Lough and Strangford Lough.





Their meats, game and poultry are all sourced locally, ensuring the flavour of the dishes are unimpaired. The food is prepared with classic and contemporary flourishes and, further enhanced by the wide selection of fine wines which reflect an emphasis on Old World vineyards complemented by some exciting New World wines.

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