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London's best private dining rooms in restaurants

Birthdays, weddings, hen dos, office parties or just an excuse to get some friends together – meals acquire a celebratory quality when they take place in a private dining room

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One of our favourite private dining rooms in London, 'The Pasta Room' at Luca, which is designed to feel like an Italian home kitchen



Walmer Castle

Set on the iconic Ledbury Road, the Walmer Castle - in one form or another - has been a fixture of Notting Hill since 1845. This winter has seen it reopen under the ownership of husband and wife team Jack and Poppy Greenall, publicans and proprietors of Chelsea's [The Surprise](#), debuting a smart new look. The Walmer Castle's interiors have been revamped by [Isabella Worsley](#) and are refined but relaxed. The kitchen is headed up by chef Luaan van der Watt, who has curated a menu that's typical of a gastropub, but with unexpected twists here and there.

Size? From 20 to 60 people for dinner and 100 for a standing reception.

Set menu? £50pp for three courses, £40pp for two.

Minimum spend? £1000

Where? 58 Ledbury Rd, W11 2AJ



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Ochre

Set within the National Gallery, Ochre delivers European flavours with British ingredients, all within elegant surrounds of the colour that bears its name. Separate to the main restaurant but just adjacent - so you can feel and hear the buzz - is an utterly lovely private dining room, with a large round table and art galore. There is an ever-changing roster of creatives decking out the room so on one visit you might be surrounded by Gergei Erdei's urn and cushions and the next, something totally different.