



CHARLES BAR

THE BAR FOR COLOGNE AND THE WORLD

Cologne, April 2024. The Excelsior Hotel Ernst is celebrating the reopening of the Charles Bar. In addition to the usual Piano Nights and the Beats & Bites Afterwork, guests can look forward to new culinary offerings and a bar with a fresh look. The name Charles Bar is a tribute to the hotel owner, Charles Roulet.

BAR AS THE HEART OF THE HOTEL

It is considered the centerpiece and the social meeting point of every hotel: At the Excelsior Hotel Ernst in Cologne, the bar forms the heart of the house. Here, people can connect with each other – in the open-hearted city of Cologne, conversation flows easily. Now, the historic Grand Hotel presents its new "Charles Bar," named after the owner, Charles Roulet. The interior of the former "Piano Bar" has been revamped. This city hotel, owned by a family with a long history, as rare today as ever, invites guests to enjoy time at this special place.

TIME AS LUXURY

For the Cologne cognoscenti, the bar is well-known, and internationally, it is considered an insider tip. Here, directly opposite the Cologne Cathedral, visitors are to appreciate time as the ultimate luxury. "To have it, to enjoy it, to be able to forget it for a moment or to fill it with special moments: That's what both the Excelsior and our Charles Bar stand for," says Charles Roulet, the fifth-generation hotel owner. The Swiss, who knows each of his staff members by name, infuses his passion for upscale culinary art into the drinks and dishes of the Charles Bar. The signature drink of the bar is Charles' Negroni, a mix of gin, Campari, and vermouth, the favorite drink of Charles Roulet.



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INDULGENCE AS RITUAL

The menu includes a variety of classics and vegan alternatives, of course, not missing the „Schlemmerschnitte“ with tartare – Roulet's favorite. "Combining tradition with innovation and turning pleasure into a ritual," is his philosophy. Guests can expect the warmly known service and barkeeping of the house, along with various wines and champagnes, including "Limited Special Editions" from international stars like Lady Gaga or Lenny Kravitz. In the smokers' lounge, they'll find a wide selection of cigars. Going forward, the bar will be open from 12 PM every day. The Cologne locals should also continue to mark the Piano Nights and Beats & Bites Afterwork events in their calendars.

Here's to you, Cologne!





ABOUT THE EXCELSIOR HOTEL ERNST

Since 1871, the Excelsior Hotel Ernst has been family owned and combines tradition and innovation in a unique symbiosis. As the only member of the Leading Hotels of the World in Cologne, it offers 134 rooms and suites with luxurious living comfort and the highest service standard in the city. The Excelsior Hotel Ernst is located in the centre of Cologne, directly opposite Cologne Cathedral. All attractions, the historic Old Town of Cologne and the River Rhine are within walking distance in just a few minutes. For more information, visit www.excelsiorhotelernst.com

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