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The UK's best curry houses revealed - full list of award winning restaurants

The Asian Restaurant and Takeaway Awards 2025 (ARTA) have been announced.



The UK's best curry houses have been revealed (Image: Getty)

The UK's best curry houses (</life-style/food/2117217/uk-city-crowned-curry-capital>) have been revealed in a prestigious awards ceremony as restaurants across the country battled to secure the top title. The Asian Restaurant and Takeaway Awards 2025 (ARTA) were announced yesterday evening at an event held at the Hilton, Park Lane London - and your local may be on the list.

Curry is one of the nation's favourite dishes, with [chicken tikka masala \(/life-style/food/2004440/one-pan-chicken-tikka-masala-curry-recipe-exclusive\)](/life-style/food/2004440/one-pan-chicken-tikka-masala-curry-recipe-exclusive) being a fan favourite among Brits. [Curry houses \(/life-style/food/2114047/uks-top-curry-houses-revealed-list\)](/life-style/food/2114047/uks-top-curry-houses-revealed-list) have a strong claim on the restaurant market, with an estimated 12,000 Indian restaurants in the UK. The awards saw a whopping 950,000 food lovers vote for their favourite local restaurant as venues competed with each other.

Read more: [The UK city crowned the 'curry capital' and its not London \(/life-style/food/2117217/uk-city-crowned-curry-capital\)](/life-style/food/2117217/uk-city-crowned-curry-capital)

Over 1,300 establishments were nominated but just 75 were crowned winners in their respective categories. The competing eateries are chosen based on customer nominations - and two lots of scoring phases.

The awards celebrate the very best of South Asian cuisine across the UK, recognising outstanding restaurants, chefs, and teams who elevate the dining experience through quality and consistency.

There were a series of accolades up for grabs including Newcomer of the Year, Streetfood Restaurant of the Year and Asian Fusion Restaurant of the Year.

Nu Delhi Restaurant Lounge in Belfast was given the highly sought-after title of Champion of Champions.

The restaurant, which is one of Belfast’s most popular dining spots, also retained its title as Regional Restaurant of the Year for a fourth consecutive year.

Owner Nazim Din said the team was “truly honoured and overjoyed” to bring the award home.

“To be the first Northern Ireland restaurant to achieve this national recognition is a proud moment for our entire team,” he said.



The awards celebrate the very best of South Asian cuisine across the country (Image: Getty)

Whilst My Delhi in Newcastle, which has an impressive 4.8 score out of 5 on TripAdvisor, was voted the best street food restaurant of the year.

The multi-award-winning Indian restaurant serves authentic Delhi street food and was previously the winner of [BBC](https://www.express.co.uk/latest/bbc) (<https://www.express.co.uk/latest/bbc>) show Britain's Top Takeaways.

Elsewhere, Maneki Ramen in Worcester was named the Japanese restaurant of the year. In London, Troia won Turkish Restaurant of the Year, whilst The Bombay in Swanley won Newcomer of the Year.

- **West Midlands Restaurant of the Year:** Tamarind, Balsall Common, Coventry

The Asian Restaurant and Takeaway Awards winners:

- **Champion of Champions:** Nu Delhi Restaurant Lounge, Belfast
- **National Chef of the Year:** RISHI'S in Slate & Grain Brasserie and Bar, Hackbridge, Wallington
- **National Takeaway of the Year:** Kaani Kaana, Chelmsford
- **Newcomer of the Year:** The Bombay, Swanley
- **Streetfood Restaurant of the Year:** My Delhi Newcastle, Newcastle upon Tyne
- **Japanese Restaurant of the Year:** Maneki Ramen, Worcester
- **Asian Fusion Restaurant of the Year:** Yakitori House, East Kilbride, Glasgow
- **Turkish Restaurant of the Year:** Troia, Southbank, London
- **European Restaurant of the Year:** Tarana Bar & Indian Restaurant, Las Palmas, Spain
- **Northern Ireland Restaurant of the Year:** Nu Delhi Restaurant Lounge, Belfast
- **South Wales Restaurant of the Year:** 1988 Indian Restaurant, Sully, Penarth
- **North Wales Restaurant of the Year:** Junction Tandoori Restaurant, Llandudno Junction
- **South West Restaurant of the Year:** Royal Jaipur, Landford, Salisbury
- **North East Restaurant of the Year:** Soho Tavern, Gateshead
- **West Midlands Restaurant of the Year: Tamarind, Balsall Common, Coventry**
- **North West Restaurant of the Year:** Wild Ginger Restaurant, Littleborough
- **Surrey Restaurant of the Year:** Bay Leaves, Epsom
- **East Midlands Restaurant of the Year:** Spice Lounge, Brackley
- **East Anglia Restaurant of the Year:** Shilpa Indian Restaurant, Papworth Everard, Cambridge
- **South Central Restaurant of the Year:** The Paradise Balti House, Petersfield
- **Kent Restaurant of the Year:** The Bombay, Orpington, Green Street Green, Orpington
- **Essex Restaurant of the Year:** Kelvedon Spice, Kelvedon, Colchester
- **South London Restaurant of the Year:** Saka Maka, Hither Green, London
- **City & East London Restaurant of the Year:** Bengal Village, London
- **North London Restaurant of the Year:** Taste of Goa, Finsbury Park, London
- **Hertfordshire Restaurant of the Year:** Raj of India, Welwyn Garden City
- **Sussex Restaurant of the Year:** Tamasha, Lindfield, Haywards Heath
- **Scotland Restaurant of the Year:** Masala Twist, Glasgow
- **Central & West London Restaurant of the Year:** BKC - Biryani Kebab Chai, Marble Arch, Tyburnia, London
- **South Central Chef of the Year:** Jalpari of Woodley, Woodley, Reading
- **Kent Chef of the Year:** Spice Village Indian Restaurant, Longfield
- **West Midlands Chef of the Year:** Alessi Indian Restaurant & Bar, Audley, Stoke-on-Trent
- **North East Chef of the Year:** Jolsha, Middlesbrough
- **Wales Chef of the Year:** Raj Kitchen, Swansea
- **North West Chef of the Year:** Junoon, Helsby, Frodsham
- **East Midlands Chef of the Year:** Mowglis, Beachampton, Milton Keynes
- **Essex Chef of the Year:** Cinnamon, North Weald Bassett, Epping
- **East Anglia Chef of the Year:** Pipasha Restaurant, Cambridge
- **Surrey Chef of the Year:** RISHI'S in Slate & Grain Brasserie and Bar, Hackbridge, Wallington
- **Sussex Chef of the Year:** Darchini, Horsham
- **Hertfordshire Chef of the Year:** Jomidar Mahal, Littleport, Cambridge