The story of Farouge

In 1989, Viviane Daaboul-Kallio left Lebanon behind amidst the turmoil of war, seeking solace in Finland. Initially, her stay was intended as a fleeting visit, yet destiny had other plans. Growing up, Viviane fondly recalls the ritual of weekend celebrations, where chicken formed a cherished centerpiece of the family feast. As fate would have it, 'Farouge', meaning 'little rooster' in Viviane's native tongue, became the chosen name for her newly established Finnish restaurant. Symbolizing not only the delectable poultry dish, but also the exoticism of the menu and ambiance, Farouge captured the hearts of Finns in the late 90s.

Endearing, thoughtful, and intimate, the story of Farouge's owners, Viviane and Aki Kallio, captures the essence of their restaurant's quality. Connected by their love for cooking and fine dining, the duo first met in the restaurant of the Radisson SAS hotel in Kamppi, Helsinki in 1992. And it was during a Sunday stroll in the city that they decided to create their own eatery, having found it challenging to locate a place that served both of their favorite dishes. Inspired by their homemade delicacies, their co-workers convinced them to bring their flavorful fare to the public. Thus, in 1995, the first Farouge restaurant opened, boasting an idyllic setting and a cozy seating capacity of 24. As the demand surged, another gourmet oasis was birthed on Yrjönkatu, where loyal patrons were served for many delightful years until it was sold in 2016. In 2019, the imaginative chefs partnered with Nordic Hospitality Partners and discovered an enchanting restaurant space adjacent to the Kasarmitori square, where both old and new customers have rediscovered their beloved Farouge once again.

Farouge's groundbreaking concept of ethnic luxury and exotic flavors owes its success to the synergistic collaboration of two exceptional talents: Viviane's visionary ideas and Aki's extraordinary culinary skills. It is their courage and passion for introducing a completely new culinary experience into Finnish restaurant culture that has driven Farouge's incredible triumph. With its hospitable service and exclusively authentic flavors, Farouge undoubtedly reigns as Helsinki's ultimate destination for savoring the finest Lebanese dishes. We warmly invite you

to indulge in the true essence of the Middle East at Farouge

CHEF MENU

KEITTIÖPÄÄLLIKKÖMME VALMISTAA VIIKOITTAIN VAIHTUVAN KOLMEN RUOKALAJIN MENUN.

OUR CHEF PREPARES WEEKLY SEASONAL THREE COURSE MENU.

TASTING MENU

VALMISTETAAN VÄHINTÄÄN 2:LLE HENGELLE MINIMUN FOR 2 PERSON

60,00 / HLÖ./ PERS.

Tabouli G, L, V

Sea Food Hummus G, L

Baba Ghanoush G, L, V

Halloumi Rolls

Shrimp & Coriander G, L

Kibbi & Tsatsiki L

Tartar & Aioli L

Makanek Lamb Sausages G, M

Sweet Beirut

COLD MEZE

Tabouli G, L, V 14,00 Hummus G, L, V 12 Baba Ghanoush G, L, V 12 Tsatsiki L, G 10 Beet & Feta G 12 Wine Leaves G, L, V 12 Tartar L 16

VALITSE 3 COLD MEZEÄ HINTAAN 32,00 € CHOOSE 3 COLD MEZES FOR 32,00 €

WARM MEZE

Shrimps & Coriander G, L 16 Kibbeh L 15 / 4 pcs Makanek G, M 15 Arayis 16 / 4 pcs

Arak the Milk of Lions 2 cl 5,00 € / 4 cl 950 €

Perinteinen Libanonilainen aperitiivi. Tarjoillaan veden ja jäiden kanssa. Traditional Lebanese aperitif. Served with water and ice.

VEGETARIAN

GRILLED CAULIFLOWER 25,00 G, L, V

Kukkakaalia, vihreää hummusta & paahdettuja siemeniä

Green hummus & mix of roasted seeds

SWEET PUMPKIN 25,00 G, L

Paahdettua kurpitsaa & salvia-kastiketta Rosted with sage sauce

SEAFOOD

PULPO

32,00 G, LMustekalaa & tryffelillä maustettu perunapúre
Octopus &truffle mashed potatoes

SEA BASS

34,00 G, LKuivattuja tomaatteja, kaprista & oliiveja
Dry tomatoes, capers & olives

LOBSTER 65,00 L

Tuorepastaa tomaattikastikkeessa Home made pasta with tomato sauce

MEAT

SHISH-TAWUK 28,00 G, L

Libanonilainen kanavarras, paahdettuja perunoita, aiolia & harissaa Lebanese chicken skewer, roasted potatoes, aioli & harissa

SHIS-KEBAB 34,00 G, L

Grillattua sisäfilettä vartaassa, paahdettuja perunoita, aiolia & harissaa Grilled prime fillet in skewer, roasted potatoes, aioli & harissa

LAMB 32,00 G, L

Lampaan seläkettä, pistaasia & tummaa kirsikkakastiketta With pistachios & dark cherry sauce

DESSERT

SWEET BEIRUT

14,00

Lajitelma libanonilaisia jälkiruokia Selection of lebanese desserts

CRÈME BRÛLÉE 13,00 G, L

Timjamia & sorbettia
Thyme & sorbet

DATE CAKE & VANILLA ICE CREAM

13,00

Taatelikakkua & vaniljajäätelöä

LIBANONILAINEN KAHVI / TEE LEBANESE COFFEE / TEA 5,00

AFTER DINNER

ESPRESSO MARTINI 14,00

LEBANESE DESSERT WINE

13,50 / 8 cl

Moscatel de Ksara

BRANDY OF LEBANON 18,00 / 8 cl

Eau De Vie de Ksara

Viviane, Aki & all our team wish you a great experience at Farouge!