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## THE GRAND MENU: GRAND MARNIER INTRODUCES A NEW ACT TO ELEVATE THE PRE-THEATRE EXPERIENCE

**LONDON 4<sup>th</sup> April 2019:** Grand Marnier, the iconic cognac-based French liqueur, announces the launch of *The Grand Menu, a* new pre-theatre spirits experience – offering up the first ever drinks-only, pre-theatre menu, exclusively at Café Monico in London. *The Grand Menu* will allow Londoners to say "au revoir" to the typical rushed meal and aperitif before a show and say "bonjour" to a more elegant experience.

Pre-theatre menus may be a London theatre staple, but they need a new act. By launching *The Grand Menu*, Grand Marnier adds a dramatic plot-twist, offering cocktails worthy of a night of dramatic performance.

Taking inspiration from the three courses traditionally offered, *The Grand Menu* shakes up the ritual, offering something unexpected. The trio of cocktails commences with a light, sparkling starter, followed by a slightly punchier main act, and finish with a note of something sweet.

The Grand Menu at Café Monico will comprise of:

### ENTRÉE

**The Grand 75** – this twist on the French 75 is a perfectly light balance of Grand Marnier and fresh lemon juice, topped with champagne providing a refreshing entrée cocktail.

- 50ml Grand Marnier
- 25ml Lemon Juice
- Splash of Champagne

### PLAT PRINCIPAL

**The Debauchery of Decadence** – taking inspiration from the daring Belle Époque era when Grand Marnier was created, this combination of Grand Marnier Cuvee Du Centenaire, Remy Martin XO, Antica Formula, Amarena Cherry Syrup and Black Walnut Bitters is a richly decadent cocktail full of dramatic layers of flavour.

- 35ml Cuvee Du Centenaire
- 25ml Remy Martin XO
- 15ml Antica Formula
- 5ml Amarena Cherry Syrup
- 3 Dash Black Walnut Bitters

### DESSERT

**The Elements of Époque** – no menu is complete without something sweet. This delicious, unexpected blend of Grand Marnier, Benedictine, Lemon Juice, Chilli, Vanilla Infused Honey, and Fresh Sage sets the stage for more surprising delights at the theatre.

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- 5ml Honey Infusion
- 5ml Benadictine
- 4 Sage Leaves

"The drama and grandeur of The Grand Palais, Perrier-Jouet Belle Époque, and the Palace of Versailles all provided inspiration for this cocktail menu," says **Aiden Hornsby, Bar Manager, Café Monico.** We wanted to create something that resonated with the drama of the theatre as well as giving a nod to the high-class French culture that inspired the Belle Époque performance era. The result is a complex, modern and intriguing menu for people to come and experience pre-theatre with us and Grand Marnier."

*The Grand Menu* is priced at £25, available from 6<sup>th</sup> April to 6<sup>th</sup> May from 5-7pm. <u>Café Monico</u> is a short walk from London's best theatres.

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#### **About Grand Marnier**

Created in 1880 by Louis-Alexandre, Grand Marnier Cordon Rouge is the flagship of the brand and combines the intensity of exotic bitter orange with the character of Cognac. The recipe has not changed since it was created, resulting in a liqueur with powerful and complex aromas and flavours. Grand Marnier contains 51% Cognac, which means that it brings an intriguing twist to cocktails and drinks – giving a multi-layered flavour and elevates classic cocktail serves. <u>https://www.camparigroup.com/en/brands/liqueursothers/grand-marnier</u>

#### Grand Marnier: Tasting notes

Colour: Bright topaz, brilliant with gold and amber tints.

Aroma: Attractive orange notes with nuances of candied zests and vanilla flavours from the Cognac.

Flavour: Full and ample, bitter orange aroma balanced by Cognac notes of hazelnuts and toffee. The finish is long and harmonious.

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