



Portal

Finding good Portuguese food can be difficult in London; there are only a handful of restaurants that have a distinct leaning towards the country and of those, only a couple are really worthy of a visit. It would help if more of them looked to Portal for guidance. Antonio Correia, previously of Café du Marché, opened this smart restaurant in Clerkenwell just a few months ago and his passion for both Portuguese food and wine shows itself both in the menu and in his enthusiastic chatter with diners. Though the restaurant takes its major influences from Portugal, the menu doesn't limit itself – there are international flavours everywhere, from the scallop sushi to the Champagne and white truffle risotto. It's a great dining space too – floor to ceiling glass windows look onto some handsome brickwork while inside exposed vents and modern furnishings give the main area a surprisingly urban feel. Guests can also eat lighter dishes in the bar at the front of the restaurant or in the fine wine-filled private dining room, where tastings have become a big hit.

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