

resident RECOMMENDS

Five of the best Mother's Day dining ideas in south west London

1 THE WHITE ONION

Roasted perigord goat's cheese with pine nuts and watermelon, tender suckling pig with apple curry purée, lamb shoulder ferrine in aioli – talented head chef Frederic Duval serves up beautiful French-Mediterranean dishes that incorporate his Normandy roots at The White Onion. It's fancy, but it has a neighbourhood feel, and you can combine your reservation with a Mother's Day shopping session in Wimbledon Village.

67 High Street SW19 5EE; 020 8947 8278; thewhiteonion.co.uk



2 TRINITY

The French gastronomy at Clapham Old Town establishment Trinity has long been a go-to for special occasions, and even more so since it received a Michelin star last year. A reservation there is a treat that a well-deserving mum is sure to appreciate on Mother's Day. Chef proprietor Adam Byatt SW Resident's very own food columnist – will look after you and guide you through the extensive wine list.

4 The Polygon SW4 0JG; 020 7622 1199; trinityrestaurant.co.uk

3 VALENTINA

Valentina Fine Foods on Lavender Hill is a family-run Italian delicatessen and restaurant. For mums that are fans of Italian cuisine, it's a winner. Our top picks include the salsiccia pizza with fior di latte mozzarella and the decadent risotto porcini. The bacio di valentina, a homemade chocolate fondant served with chocolate sauce, ice cream and a Baci chocolate, is not to be missed.

281 Lavender Hill SW11 1LP; 020 3841 1610; valentinafinefoods.com

4 JAN

Northcote Road newcomer Jan serves up Caspian flavours inspired by the golden age of the Ottoman Empire and the Persian dynasties (think courgette hummus with flatbread, harissa marinated hanger steak and cardamom dusted doughnut twists), so it's perfect for a mother more adventurous when it comes to dining, who might also appreciate the rather alcoholic 'Persian Courage' cocktail on offer.

78 Northcote Road SW11 6QL; 020 7525 9446; myjan.co.uk

5 MAY THE FIFTEENTH

Bistro-style eatery May the Fifteenth (formerly the Abbeville Kitchen) is situated in the heart of the picturesque Abbeville Village. A special Mother's Day dinner there is best preceded with a leisurely stroll around nearby Clapham Common – that way, you'll work up an appetite for the menu, which changes daily and features the likes of pig's cheeks, potatoes and 'nduja, or Cornish bream with salsify and anchovy butter.

47 Abbeville Rd SW4 9JX; 020 8772 1110; maythe15th.com