A Taste of Spain, Certified Authentic

Spanish gastronomy gains recognition in Doha through Restaurants from Spain and Colmados from Spain

DOHA, Qatar — Spanish gastronomy is gaining recognition in Doha through two international certification programmes from ICEX Spain Trade and Investment, under its Foods & Wines from Spain brand: Restaurants from Spain and Colmados from Spain. The programmes recognise restaurants and specialist food and wine retailers that meet established standards for authentic Spanish cuisine and products.

RESTAURANTS FROM SPAIN

The Cellar, Hyatt Regency Oryx Doha

Since 2010, The Cellar at Hyatt Regency Oryx Doha has brought Spanish cuisine to Doha, combining traditional recipes with a contemporary approach. At the helm is Chef Adrià Villarroya, a Valencia native whose passion for cooking began in his grandmother's kitchen and who today leads The Cellar's culinary team with a focus on quality ingredients and traditional Spanish flavours. "Spanish cuisine is about authenticity, tradition and the ingredients that tell the story of where we come from," says Chef Adrià. "At The Cellar, we bring those flavours to Doha with the same passion and respect I grew up with in Valencia. Being recognised with the Restaurants from Spain certification by ICEX is a great honour — it reflects our commitment to keeping that connection to Spain alive in every dish."



The menu moves between the classic and the contemporary: a rich Paella Valenciana with saffron and bomba rice sits alongside a striking Arroz Negro, black with squid ink and studded with prawns and mussels. Elsewhere, Pulpo a la Gallega and Gambas al Ajillo showcase the simplicity at the heart of Spanish cooking, while blistered Pimientos del Padrón; smoky, salted, and unpredictably spicy remain a house favourite. It's this attention to ingredient and technique, say industry insiders, that sets Restaurants from Spain-certified venues apart: a guarantee that what's on the plate is prepared the way it would be back home.





COLMADOS FROM SPAIN

An Invitation to Doha's Gourmet Retailers

While Restaurants from Spain celebrates certified dining, its sister seal, Colmados from Spain, does the same for specialty food and beverage retailers; the delis, gourmet markets, and fine-food shops where Spanish products reach home kitchens. To earn the Colmados from Spain seal, a retailer must meet defined standards for the range, sourcing, and authenticity of the Spanish products on its shelves, from cured meats and artisan cheeses to olive oils and preserves. It's a mark shoppers can trust, and one that connects a store's offering directly back to Spain's culinary heritage. Doha's growing gourmet retail sector also presents an opportunity for Colmados from Spain to establish a presence in the market. Store owners and buyers offering Spanish food and wine products are invited to learn more about the certification programme through ICEX Spain Trade and Investment, Spain's public agency for promoting the internationalisation of the Spanish economy, and to explore the benefits of becoming part of the Colmados from Spain network. Whether at the table or on the shelf, Restaurants from Spain and Colmados from Spain point the way to the real thing. Look for the seals or find out more below. Find certified restaurants and shops, and learn about certification, at: www.foodswinesfromspain.com

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