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ATELIER AMARO

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7.30pm for 8.00pm Louis Roederer Brut Premier and canape reception Five-course signature menu £120 per person Wines to complement every dish are carefully selec

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After trips to Chicago, Berlin and Copenhagen (where he worked with Rene Redzepi at Noma) he returned to Poland to take up the position of Chef de Cuisine of the Polish Business Roundtable Club in Warsaw. His prize for winning the prestigious International Academy of Gastronomy's Chef de L'Avenir award in 2008 was a stage at Ferran Adria's El Bulli restaurant. He opened Atelier Amaro in 2011.

Atelier Amaro provides an elegant oasis of calm close to Warsaw's modern, busy centre in the form of a stand-alone red brick building with a sleek, contemporary grey black and white dining space. It's here that Modest-Amaro creates a portmanteau of modern and honest cuisine, a style the chef has developed over years of travelling through Poland visiting producers and learning to hunt and forage. Modest-Amaro has his own farm outside Warsaw, which supplies the restaurant with plants, herbs and meat.

"Nature is my major inspiration," says Modest-Amaro. "I go foraging, hunting and





fishing, as they allow me to have my mind and senses open to absorb as much as possible. I call it the art of observing nature. My food tells the whole story about what I observe."

The daily changing tasting menus are created using the latest techniques and scientific methods to make modern, sophisticated dishes such as eel with green apple and sorrel soup and smoked asparagus with snails and wild garlic.

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As the only Michelin-starred chef in Poland, Modest-Amaro has hosted and participated in the prestigious Cook It Raw Poland event that gathered together some of the world's finest avant garde chefs including Albert Adrià (Tickets, Barcelona) and Ben Shewry (Attica, Melbourne). His first book, Polish Cuisine of the 21st Century was awarded the Grand Prix de la Literature Gastronomique in Paris in 2010 and his second book Nature of Polish Cuisine was recognised at the Gourmand World Cookbook Awards in 2011. In 2015 Atelier Amaro was awarded four toques from the Gault Millau (the highest score in Poland) and Modest-Amaro was named their Chef of the Year.