



AMAZING ASIAN CUISINE

We're lucky to have Restaurant 88!

Restaurant 88
LUXURY ORIENTAL
Sushi / Dim Sum / Noodle Bar

Asian cuisine is now at the forefront of all culinary fusion tendencies in the world, and in Tenerife there is no better place to explore this global trend than Restaurant 88 in the southern town of La Caleta.

By Carlos Verdecia

The modest entrance to 88 does not prepare you for the spectacular view you encounter once you traverse a narrow hallway that leads to the serving area. First, there's the magnificent sight of the harbour, and second the understated luxury of the modern oriental décor: An instant invitation to a relaxed and exotic dining experience. Following expert advice from Radu, the pleasant and knowledgeable manager at 88, we decided to start with a sushi/sashimi Moriawase that was artistically plated and perfectly exe-



↑ Friendly and efficient, the Restaurant 88 team



Bass with Ginger and Spring Onion. A delicate and flavourful fillet that lusciously lingers on your palate. For this delectable entree, Re'ka, our thoughtful server, brought us a light and elegant red from the Rioja region: A perfect match. Restaurant 88 has a wide selection of wine, champagne and sake, in addition to a considerable list of coffees, teas and hot chocolates. For dessert, you can go for the traditional brownie and cheesecake, for instance, or try a more exotic banana and cinnamon spring roll. After several entrees we only had room for something lighter, so ordered the Tropical Lychee, served over crushed ice with a scoop of vanilla ice cream on the side. And in case you are wondering about the name, the num-



↑ A spectacular terrace that leaves nothing to be desired



↑ A successful fusion of Japanese and Chinese cuisine

cuted. Salmon, Toro, White Fish, and Tuna along with a Rainbow Roll provided a delicious variety of flavours and colours. I should mention that Restaurant 88 prides itself in achieving great balance and harmony between Japanese and Chinese cuisine. Even the most discerning customers would be impressed with the prime ingredients, high technique and the friendly and attentive service.

We paired our Japanese entree with a subtle and fruity local white wine and continued with a basket of steamed Dim Sum and a crispy Spring Roll with fragrant aromatic duck and mixed vegetables. Both were perfectly savoury and well prepared. Next, we tried the Five Spice and Pepper King Prawn Tempura with diced onions and peppers. A tasty batter, a sprin-

kle of sesame seeds and a chilli dipping sauce takes this dish to a new dimension. Restaurant 88 is not trying to rewrite the book on Oriental cuisine; it simply concentrates on bringing the traditional dishes of Japan and China to a higher level of quality and creativity. This is especially noticeable in the section of the menu labelled Luxury Dishes. There, you can choose between Scallops in Garlic and Black Bean Sauce, Duck Breast in Oyster Sauce with Oriental Mushrooms, and a wide range of exquisite Asian delicacies. Our choice was Steamed Sea



↑ A delicious Sushi/Sashimi Moriawase combination



↑ Restaurant 88 offers an elegant and discreet ambience

Restaurant 88

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