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Cheese. Six letters, so much joy.

Whether it's melted in a fondue, slathered on pasta, or adorning a trolley, cheese is always a welcome sight on a menu. And London's food scene has no shortage of options when it comes to cheese-heavy dishes - from the ultimate cheese toastie to Michelin-starred desserts, its versatility knows no bounds.

Most cheese puns have already been done, and any more would no doubt grate on you. So we'll tred Caerphilly and just get on with it...

Mac 'n' cheese



Hawsmoor mac 'n' cheese

They may be known for their steaks, but Hawksmoor don't mess around when it comes to sides. Is there anything more satisfyingly indulgent than a fine steak and cheesy side dish? Yes actually, Hawksmoor's lobster mac 'n' cheese takes the dish to a whole new level if the cheese alone isn't rich enough.

Fondue



28-50 Covent Garden

Famed for their wine list, 28-50 is so charmingly French you'll think you're in a village in the Dordogne rather than London's Theatreland. And of course, wine and cheese are a timeless pairing, so it's hard to resist their dreamy fondue – does life get better than melted cheese and a glass of the good stuff?

BOOK VIVAT BACCHUS >

Cheese room



Vivat Bacchus

Not so much a dish this one, but a room. An entire room dedicated to cheese. With an ever-changing selection of over 40 cheeses on offer, this walk-in temple of cheese allows visitors of Vivat Bacchus in London Bridge to build their own bespoke cheese board. The stuff dairy-laden dreams are made of.

Also available at Vivat Bacchus Farringdon

BOOK CHAMPAGNE + FROMAGE ▶

Cheese afternoon tea



Champagne + Fromage

Afternoon tea is a British institution. As is cheese. But the 2 rarely cross paths... until now. Spotting an opportunity to merge 2 great pleasures, Champagne + Fromage's afternoon tea sees sarnies swapped for a cheese board, with 4 varieties gracing the stand.

BOOK BAR BOULUD >

Reblochonnade



Bar Boulud

The French know a thing or 2 about cheese, and masters of Gallic cuisine Bar Boulud are no different. A firm favourite in ski resorts, reblochon is a melted masterpiece, here served whole, along with steamed potatoes, charcuterie and cornichons.

Cheese trolley



Le Gavroche Image source: Hot Dinners

Michel Roux Jr, his 2-Michelin-starred Le Gavroche, and its cheese trolley, are all iconic on the London restaurant scene. Notable for both quantity and quality, the selection of British and French cheeses is a sight to behold. And it had to be pretty special to make the cut, as it's got stiff competition from the restaurant's equally luxurious cheese soufflé starter with double cream.

Fondue



Cheese Bar Camden Image source: The Cheese Bar

Unsurprisingly almost everything on the menu at The Cheese Bar is unashamedly cheesy. But it's when the good stuff gets melted that things really get dreamy. The classic 4 cheese fondue sees 4 varieties thrown into the melting pot with white wine and kirsch, served with fresh baguette, pickled onions and cornichons. If that's not enough, bonus sides for dipping include buttered deep-fried sprouts, truffled roast potatoes, and homemade pigs in blankets.

Baby Got Mac

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The Cheese Wheel Image source: Camden Market

Hand-rolled pasta in a creamy white wine sauce with Parmesan and fresh garlic could make it into London's top cheese dishes on its own merit. But Camden street food favourites The Cheese Wheel have taken cheesiness to a whole new level – before being served, the fresh pasta is dunked into a giant wheel of Parmesan.

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After stints in Brighton and France, Chris returned to his native London and its restaurant scene. Bringing back a love of French cuisine, Brasserie Zédel and Bleeding Heart are amongst his current favourites. When he's not eating food or writing about it, Chris can usually be found playing or listening to music.



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