



TAPASYA@MARINA AND TAPASYA BEVERLEY ROAD EARN 2018 TRIPADVISOR CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE

It has been announced that Tapasya@marina and Tapasya Beverley Road have both received a TripAdvisor® Certificate of Excellence. Now in its eighth year, the achievement celebrates businesses that have earned great traveller reviews on TripAdvisor over the past year. Certificate of Excellence recipients include restaurants, accommodations and attractions located all over the world that have continually delivered a quality customer experience.

Tapan Mahapatra commented; "It is an honour to receive these certificates as they are based purely on our customer feedback, we strive to ensure we deliver excellence across our brand so it is fitting we have received recognition of this from Trip Advisor."

"TripAdvisor is excited to announce the recipients of the 2018 Certificate of Excellence, which celebrates restaurants and other travel businesses that have consistently received strong praise and ratings on the world's largest travel site," said Heather Leisman, Vice President of Industry Marketing, TripAdvisor. "This recognition allows us to publicly honour businesses that are actively engaging with customers and using feedback to help travellers identify and confidently book the perfect trip."

The Certificate of Excellence accounts for the quality, quantity and recency of reviews submitted by travellers on TripAdvisor over a 12-month period. To qualify, a business must maintain an overall TripAdvisor bubble rating of at least four out of five, have a minimum number of reviews and must have been listed on TripAdvisor for at least 12 months.

About Tapasya's founders

The men behind the helm of Tapasya are Tapan Mahapatra and Mukesh Tirkoti. Both have worked

tirelessly to create invaluable connections with local suppliers and brewers to ensure their restaurants meet their exacting expectations.

Mr Mahapatra is a well-known onco-plastic consultant breast surgeon at Castle Hill Hospital, Cottingham, and Spire Hospital, Anlaby. He has been a Trustee and Chairman of the charitable Hindu

Cultural Organisation in the city for past six years. He is also a board member of Hull UK City of

Culture 2017.

After deciding to establish a unique restaurant in Hull, he joined forces with Mr Tirkoti, who has vast

experience in the international hospitality industry. He has worked in five-star hotels in India, launched projects in Moscow and Zurich, opened destination restaurants in London and, latterly,

held senior management positions with the largest Italian restaurant group in Europe. With their combined experience, connections and local knowledge, Mr Mahapatra and Mr Tirkoti

are perfectly qualified to lead Tapasya's development. They are supported by a highly-skilled team

of chefs and waiting staff, all of whom demonstrate enthusiasm and dedication to their restaurant

and its diners.

Follow Tapasya @Marina's progress toward opening as they post frequent updates on their digital

and social media platforms: Website: www.tapasya.org.uk/

Twitter: @tapasyahull

Facebook: www.facebook.com/Tapasya-196170853880967/

About Tapasya Group

Tapasya is a restaurant and private catering brand based in Hull serving Indian food in ornate surroundings. Cocktails are served in a bar area where diners enjoy an interesting pre-dinner selection of cocktails and drinks. The restaurant also boasts an extensive wine collection. The food is sourced from local suppliers and is based upon seasonal produce. Tapasya uses Indian

cooking techniques, spices and flavours to create a fusion of British and Indian cuisine. Dishes are

presented with care to give diners a fine dining experience.

Tapasya Catering is a unique catering company in Yorkshire, providing exceptional Indian food for an

array of events around the region. The company is extremely versatile, providing refined Indian cuisine for events ranging from private parties to festivals and weddings. Tapasya Catering's presence can range from a stall serving selected

About TripAdvisor

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** Source: TripAdvisor log files, average monthly unique visitors, Q3 2017