

SHUTTERS' ONE PICO REINVENTED WITH NEW MENU AND DÉCOR

Santa Monica's Iconic Oceanfront Dining Destination Soars

SANTA MONICA, Calif. – Shutters on the Beach in Santa Monica, California, has long enjoyed accolades for its One Pico Restaurant situated on a prime coastal stretch of sand, with majestic views across the boardwalk and out to the Pacific Ocean. With the legendary hotel at its 15-year mark, One Pico has emerged from its own makeover, culminating the reinvention of Shutters. With a new market fresh menu created by talented ETC Corporate Chef Michael Reardon, and the enhanced décor courtesy of designer Michael S. Smith, One Pico now charms guests looking for the very best seaside restaurant experience.

With the renovation came the opportunity to transform the menu as well as the kitchen. Chef Reardon describes the new menu as having an Italian sensibility, with clean and classic dishes that allow the true flavors of the very best products to shine through. The menu will change with the micro rhythms of the season, providing guests with something to look forward to at each visit.

Chef Reardon will introduce spit-roasted meats and whole fish, such as Orata and Branzino, cooked on a vertical rotisserie, providing a highly flavorful and very healthy way to cook. A few highlights from the first menu Chef Reardon will present this spring include a modern take on *Steak Fiorentina*; a *Sweet Shrimp Ravioli* reminiscent of Shrimp Scampi; and *John Dory with Langoustines and Farmer's Market Vegetables*.

Desserts and pastries will be equally influenced by the local market. *Fried Brioche with Maple Pecans, Caramel and Muscavado Ice Cream* is a new addition to the menu, as is *Caramelized Puff Pastry with Market Citrus and Cooked Cream*.

Peter Neptune will serve as One Pico's Wine Director. Neptune is one of only 73 individuals in the United States to hold the wine industry's most prestigious title of Master Sommelier. He also holds the title of Certified Wine Educator with the Society of Wine Educators, teaching the Master Sommelier Diploma.

Neptune has assembled a list that will indulge any oenophile, from the adventurous to the more classic connoisseurs. The list will be specific to the sensibility of the cuisine, with an emphasis on California wine. Top regions in Spain, Argentina and Chile will also be highlighted.

Culminating his design influence over the reinvention of much of the hotel, designer Michael S. Smith was given the opportunity to transform One Pico. Inspired by the seaside location and the dramatic, high-ceilinged space, Smith boldly hung a collection of antique boat hulls from the rafters. Chairs are made of rich wood, generously upholstered in deep teal tufted leather. The décor is fitting and gracious, and perfectly compliments the view.

Shutters on the Beach

Independently owned and operated by the Beverly Hills-based Edward Thomas Hotels, Shutters on the Beach is an elite hotel located on the beach of Santa Monica Bay. In addition to being a savvy business destination, the hotel is known for its inspiring interiors by celebrated interior designer Michael Smith, expansive panoramic views of the Pacific Ocean and California Coastline, comfortably elegant and intimate atmosphere, dedication to guest services and a strict policy of protecting the privacy of its “who’s who” guest list. A member of *the Leading Hotels of the World*, Shutters offers two signature restaurants, One Pico and Coast Beach Café and Bar, both boasting views of the Santa Monica Beach and Pacific Ocean. ONE, the Spa at Shutters, provides the coveted services of Ole Henriksen, Hollywood’s hottest skincare specialist. As the arbiter of beach living, the hotel is also the inspiration for Shutters Beach Style, a print and online catalog (www.shuttersbeachstyle.com) for purchase of gifts and accessories. Conveniently located at One Pico Boulevard, within 20 minutes of the Los Angeles Airport, Beverly Hills and Hollywood, Shutters is also within walking distance of the Santa Monica Pier and many fashionable shopping districts, fine restaurants and art galleries.

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