

**Press Release** 

## Chapter 2 Presents Vintage & Contemporary Cuisine From Colonial India At Their Anglo Indian Food Festival

Kolkata, 17<sup>th</sup> April, 2018: Chapter 2, Kolkata's first retro dining restaurant is all set to celebrate the completion of their second year in the city with an Anglo Indian Food Festival. Gourmet recipes has been specially curated after thorough research to present this festival. Mr Shiladitya Chaudhury and Mr Debaditya Chaudhury, Partners, Chapter 2 were present to launch the Anglo Indian Food Festival.

The Anglo Indian community, a multi-racial and hybrid community can trace its origin to as early as the 16<sup>th</sup> century with the advent of the Europeans in India. The Portuguese, Dutch, Spanish and French came to India to trade in spices. The British established the East India Company towards the later part of the 18<sup>th</sup> century. As a result of colonization and with the inter-mingling and intermarrying of the various European races, a new multi-cultural and multi-racial community namely the Anglo Indian community came into existence and evolved with a distinctive culture of its own.

The Anglo Indian cuisine evolved with the advent of the British Raj in this part of the region in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century. As the community settled in Kolkata and started interacting with the Indian khansamas (as the Indian chefs were called then) a fusion of British cuisine synergized with Indian cuisine; thus developed Anglo Indian cuisine. However the Anglo Indian cuisine has a deep influence of French and Portuguese cuisine also.

The Anglo Indian cuisine is a fusion of both Western & Indian cuisine and is perhaps one of the first examples of Fusion cuisine in the world making it truly Anglo and Indian in nature, which was neither too bland nor too spicy, but with a distinctive flavor of its own.

"Chapter 2 represents the memories of Anglo Indian Food & Live Music culture, for which Park Street was globally famous. We are extremely happy to start this festival for our patrons who had shown immense love to us for the past two years and we look forward to receiving more from them in the coming years. The festival comprises authentic and tasteful palates from traditional Anglo-Indian cuisine and gourmet-lovers will be surprised to savor the dishes like Duck Vindaloo, Lamb Trotters Soup and Mutton Kofta Curry", said **Mr Shiladitya Chaudhury & Mr Debaditya Chaudhury, Partners, Chapter 2.** 

"Most of the items showcased in the festival was a part of the Anglo-Indian culinary repertoire during the days of the British colonial era. It was not possible to select the entire range; however we have tried to compile few of the favourites that were extremely popular in that era. We have done a dense research on the cuisine and found that Anglo Indian cuisine do not have a definite attribution; it's a mix of European style of cooking with Indian spices and the outcome results in such splendid dishes. We are extremely hopeful that this festival will surely attract the food aficionados of Calcutta", added the **Partners**.

The specially crafted menu will include dishes such as **Red Lentil Vegetable Soup**, **Army Camp Chicken Soup**, **Lamb Trotters Soup**, **Potato & Beetroot Cutlet**, **Pepper Fried Chicken Liver**, **Fish Potato Cutlet**, **Railway Prawn Cutlet**, **Lamb Chili Fry and Anglo Indian Roast Pork** as a part of soup and starters segment.

The main course will include Vegetable Moley With Herbed Rice, Captain Chicken Curry With Steamed Rice, Fish Moley With Herbed Rice, Prawn Jhalfrezie With Steamed Rice, Mutton Kofta



Curry With Buttered Rice, Fried Beef Pepper Chops With Tartar Sauce, Anglo Indian Pork Curry With Steamed Rice and Duck Vindaloo With Steamed Rice. These will be served with aromatic herbed rice or steamed rice.

So what are you waiting for? Come soak in the charm of Kolkata's less hurried past. Delve into this awesome collection of flavorful delicacies. Add to that, Live band performance every evening featuring the chartbusters of the 50's – 80's makes Chapter 2 one of the must-visit destinations this season. The Festival starts from 17<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 onwards.

A meal for two would cost around Rs1,000/- plus taxes during this festival.

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