

Best Takeaway 2022



For nearly a quarter of a century, the Masala Gate take-away in Canterbury has been offering customers authentic Asian and curry dishes. Since opening his establishment in 1998, owner Fokhrul Islam Misba has seen many changes in the retail and hospitality sector, but maintains that his recipe for success has remained the same. “Always, always, always use fresh ingredients”. The judges at the 2022 Currylife Awards were obviously impressed. In a glittering ceremony at Grosvenor House Hotel in London’s Park Lane, the Masala Gate received the “Best Takeaway Award” from Lord Karan Bilimoria CBE DL, known to many in the trade as the Chairman of Cobra Beer Partnership.

Lord Bilimoria defined the curry industry as contributing over £4 billion to the British economy and employing more than 100,000 people. As the only take-away in the South East to be honoured, Mr Misba paid handsome tribute to his fellow award winners from the Moja in Stockton-on-Tees, the Little India in Bolton and the Royal Balti in Barry, Wales.

“We all share the same passion for offering our customers the very best dishes we can make for collection or delivery and that includes vegan, vegetarian or dairy-free items on the menu”. Among the most popular choices from his takeaway at 34 Northgate in Canterbury are Chicken Tikka Masala and the Jalfrezi curries.



Enjoying a particularly busy time during the festivals of Eid and Diwali, the Masala Gate also benefits from its outside catering service and from the large student population in Canterbury who appreciate the attractive combination of price, quality and prompt service.

Chamber Chief Executive David Foley said: “East Kent has an international reputation for outstanding pubs and restaurants. The Masala Gate takeaway has joined an impressive group of winners. We hope that customers in Canterbury and the surrounding area will continue to enjoy award-winning food for many years to come”.

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Information

The 2022 Curry Life Awards took place on Sunday, 9th October 2022 at the JW Marriott Grosvenor House in Park Lane, London from 6 pm until 11 pm. Details can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U7NNmymYzBA>

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