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THE CRESCENT INN

— ILKLEY —





*The former spa town rose to fame in the nineteenth century when thousands visited for the fresh invigorating air and first-class hotels.*



## THE AWARD WINNING CRESCENT INN

Located in the heart of the picturesque town of Ilkely in the Wharfe Valley, at the southern end of the Yorkshire Dales.

Today the Crescent Inn is home to a collection of stylish boutique rooms resting above our contemporary real ale pub and our classic French bistrot. We are perfectly placed for walking on the famous moors, strolling along the riverside or daytrips up Wharfedale.

Our rooms have a 4 star rating and were awarded the Visit England Gold Award in 2021 for offering exceptional quality accommodation and customer service. We were also awarded the Trip Advisor's Traveller's Choice Award this year. Our 11 rooms and 3 premium one bedroomed suites, are each named after beautiful local places in The Dales and are uniquely designed for your comfort and convenience. With 2 dining options on the ground floor there really is everything you need for the perfect getaway.

At Bistrot Pierre our friendly team are ready to welcome you whatever the occasion. Open daily we offer delicious French bistrot food, hand-picked wines and a selection of drinks, all in a stylish setting.

Or if you fancy more traditional food and drink then join us in our Crescent Inn pub. We have a selection of regularly changing real ales, quality wines by the glass and honest traditional pub food. Recently refurbished, our cosy and contemporary designed pub is the perfect place to relax after your adventure on the moors.



*Recently awarded with a 4 star rating and the Visit England Gold Award for offering exceptional quality of accommodation and customer service it's the perfect getaway for you and your loved ones.*



## ABOUT THE ROOMS

Boasting pride of place in the heart of Ilkley's town centre, The Crescent is a prominent building dating back to 1860. It's home to our award-winning collection of affordably priced, boutique bedrooms and suites which are the ideal place to relax after a day of exploring the stunning area.

The building was recently renovated by independent restaurant group Bistrot Pierre and features 11 boutique rooms and 3 fully fitted premium suites.



### OUR BOUTIQUE ROOMS

Features a king or super king bed with luxury Egyptian cotton sheets, goose feather and down pillows, duck feather and down duvets, free wi-fi, a large wall mounted Freeview TV, coffee and tea making facilities. Bathrooms come complete with luxury toiletries and either a power shower over the bath or a stand-alone power shower.

freshly cooked breakfast served in the Bistrot Pierre restaurant downstairs.

### ONE BEDROOM SUITES

Feature all the amenities of our boutique rooms and comfortably sleep up to five guests, perfect for a couple looking for that extra space, a family staycation or a comfortable private base for a group of friends; plus every stay includes a delicious

The suite consists of a king size bed with luxury Egyptian cotton sheets, goose feather and down pillows, duck feather and down duvets plus a sofa bed in the adjoining living area and en-suite bathroom. Suites also boast a kitchen area complete with dining table and chairs, washing machine and dishwasher, free wi-fi, a large Freeview TV and coffee and tea making facilities. Bathrooms come complete with luxury toiletries and a stand-alone power shower.





## BISTROT PIERRE

Whether it's a casual catch up over lunch, an Afternoon tea with friends, or celebrating a special occasion Bistrot Pierre is the place to be.

### FRENCH INSPIRED BISTROT DISHES

Dine in our stylish Bistrot and enjoy affordable French bistrot dishes freshly prepared by our chefs every day.

Bistrot Pierre is open 7 days a week for breakfast, lunch and dinner. We have dishes to suit all tastes on our all-day menu and we also offer lunchtime specials for £10, and a 2 or 3 course set menu including a complimentary drink for £19.95 or £22.95 which changes seasonally. Please check timings and availability online.

Our incredibly popular Afternoon tea is also available every day between 2.30pm and 5pm from just £16.95 per person, or upgrade to our sparkling Afternoon Tea for £19.95.







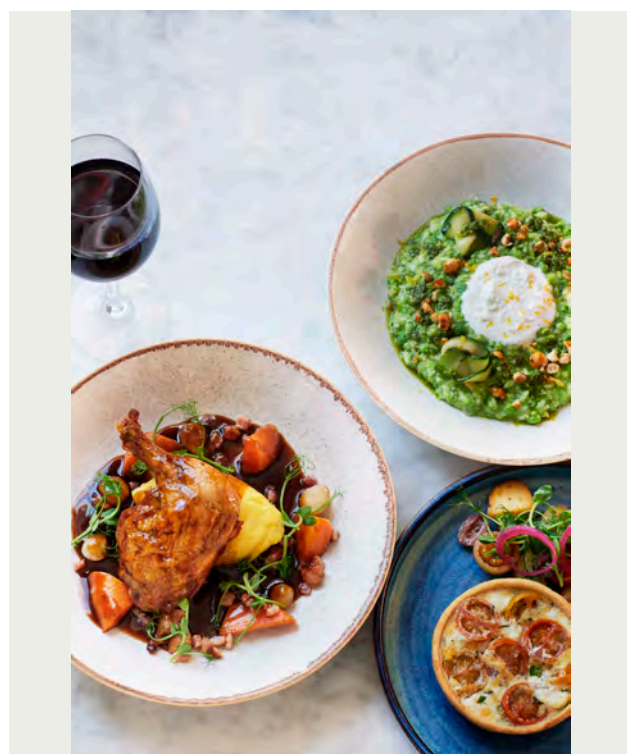
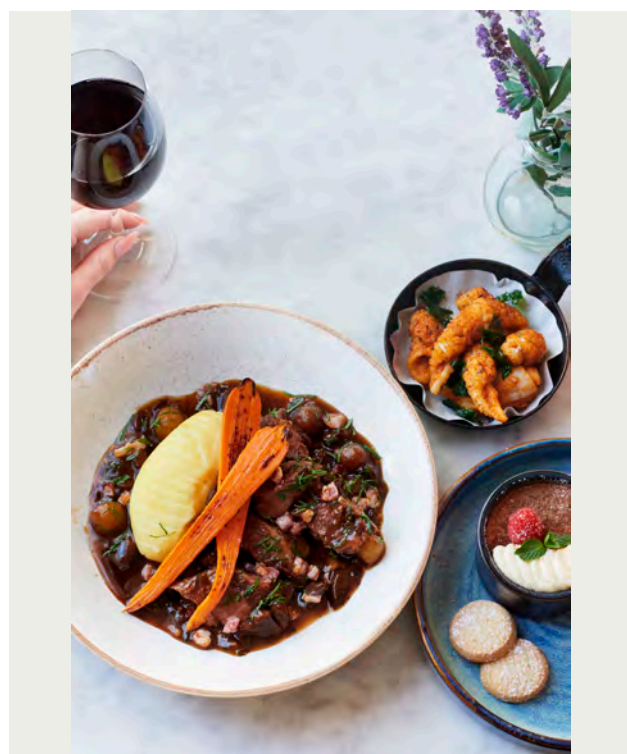
## THE FOOD

Our dishes are freshly prepared by our chefs daily, using carefully sourced artisan ingredients from France and fresh products from local producers and suppliers.

We've crafted dishes with respect for their French roots – always special, but never fussy. Classic favourites sit alongside modern French cuisine and dishes inspired from cooking across the world, all with the spirit of France at their heart.

Dishes on our menus include home-made chicken liver parfait, crispy calamari and bistro classics such as slow-cooked boeuf bourguignon, steak-frites and our famous crème brûlée as well as a range of lighter fish dishes, salads and seasonal specials.

At Bistrot Pierre there is something for everyone, including plenty of gluten-free, vegetarian and vegan dishes too.







## THE PUB

The Crescent Inn pub serves an impressive selection of real ales including many local offerings, plus a quality wine, gin and spirit selection.

Our menu includes honest home-cooked food, including light bites and an extensive burger menu.

Along with our traditional pub classics such as Fish & Chips, Steak Pie and heartier choices, some traditionally British and others from further afield.

Finally we have our daily dishes on the blackboards for our specials.







## The History of The Crescent Inn

The Bradford architect Samuel Jackson designed the hotel for the Margerison family of Ilkley and Bradford.

It was built of stone from an Ilkley moor quarry by Isaac and Thomas Dean Ilkley builders during 1860 for £8,000. The Hotel opened in May 1861. A week's board was £2 5s 6d for bed, breakfast, lunch, dinner and tea, attended by a waiter, chambermaid and boots. There were bars, a billiard room and for 3 to 5 shillings a day you could have one of the 5 private sitting rooms. Across the yard was extensive stabling, coach houses and a large green stretching south facing the moors. The first landlord came from a Leeds hotel – JB Fleischmann.

From 1863 to 1868 an Ilkley landlord George Brumfitt, who already had the Lister's Arms, took over. He reduced the tariff to 2gns board and lodging a week if you took meals in the public room. It was £2 9s to eat in a private sitting room with attendance.

The 1863 Shuttleworth Guide describes The Crescent as a 'large and handsome building... the decorations, fittings and general interior arrangements are excellent'.

In July 1866 the Crescent Hotel hosted a civic feast for Bradford Corporation for 50 guests on behalf of Lord Mayor Godwin. Wedding breakfasts were also regularly hosted after a service at the Parish Church across the road.

A marquee in the grounds held the first major land sales by the Middleton family from June 1867. Further sales were held here until 1876 when they moved to the new Middleton Hotel on Skipton Road (now demolished).

After Brumfitt's death in 1868, his wife continued to run the hotel for a few years, but by 1871 Wm Margerison (a solicitor in Ilkley and Bradford) had taken over. Then in

the 1880s came Samuel Mercer. The Angling Club held its Annual meeting and dinner at the hotel, and throughout the 1880s and 1890s The Crescent hosted the dinner the followed the "black hats, white hats" annual cricket match in September during Ilkley's Feast Week. This tradition of dinners for different sports clubs continued into the twentieth century.

By 1891 John Hudson was proprietor of The Crescent. He refurbished the hotel and bought adjoining properties. However, by June 1897 The Crescent Hotel Estate was for sale at auction. The hotel then comprised: 30 bedrooms, dining room, drawing room, 5 private sitting rooms, billiard room, bars, vaults, kitchens, large grounds, including bowling green and archery butts, and a stable yard with 5 stables containing 19 stalls and 2 loose boxes. There were three coach houses, harness room, laundry, and a Masonic Hall.

By 1901 it was called The Crescent Family Hotel, under Arthur Harold Atkinson. In December 1910 at a meeting at The Crescent the Ilkley and District Motoring Club was founded. In 1911 the hotel was owned by The Hammond Brewery. By 1917 the hotel was run by Mrs Gertrude Atkinson. The

bowling green leading to Railway Road was sold for The New Cinema which opened in May 1928. In 1931 the resident manageress, Mrs Heape is offering 'A really comfortable Hotel, commercial and residential...excellent cuisine, on AA and RAC lists, good garage accommodation, 13 lock up garages'.

After 1935 Mr E Waddington advertises 'Central Position, H&C in all bedrooms...an atmosphere of welcome and friendliness that is typical in the best of British Hospitality and is noted for its excellent cuisine and fine wines.' Through to the 1950s it continued to host Dinner Dances in its back function room. Through the 1960s and 1970s The Crescent was a Crest Hotel, 'This 3 star hotel offers you light spacious bedrooms all fitted with Radiotel, electric blankets, radiators and razor plugs, some with private bathroom and television.' In 1975 there was a Thursday Folk Club. During the 1990s a local business woman Mme Avis bought The Crescent and developed the shops in the yard. In the 2000s the hotel hosted jazz and other live music in its long bar and dining area.







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