

A TIMELESS LUNCH, BY ALAIN DUCASSE AT LA BASTIDE DE MOUSTIERS.

A 1950 CHEVROLET PICK-UP TRUCK, AN ELEGANTLY LAID TABLE SET UNDER A WHITE OAK, THE VERY BEST OF MEDITERRANEAN CUISINE AND PROVENÇALE NATURE. JUST FOR YOU: THE BASTIDE DE MOUSTIERS HAS CONCOCTED THE MOST DELICIOUS BUCOLIC LUNCH, TO ENJOY TIMELESSLY.

PICNIC IN A PICK-UP.

In an idyllic setting such as Moustiers-Sainte- Marie, in the heart of the Alpes de Haute-Provence, how can one not dream of a lunch such as this? Imagine an entirely refurbished 1950 Chevrolet pick-up driving you (up to 6 people) from the Bastide de Moustiers to a secret spot, the ideal picnic hideaway.

After a quarter of an hour drive in the sun-drenched countryside, you find yourself in a valley, far from all the hustle and bustle, in a prairie overlooking the Margès. Protected from the scorching sun by a white oak tree, a splendid table awaits you!

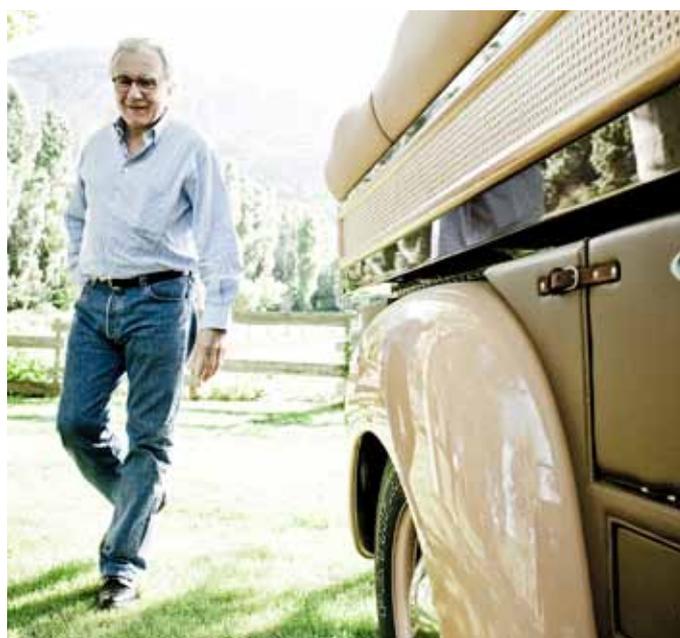
Discreetly, the chauffeur takes leave. You are left to enjoy this unique and intimate moment. No waiters on the premise, yet nothing is needed as everything has been set and anticipated for your arrival. Enjoy the very best of Mediterranean cuisine, take a nap on a blanket in the shade, cicadas and crickets singing to you, enjoy the company of your guests and the serenity of the setting, as if time had stood still.

Back to reality? At your discretion, be it at teatime or sunset, you will be escorted back in our superb vintage car, smelling of fine leather.

Return to us, the head filled with sun kissed memories. A lunch pause, where time has stood still, a communion with nature. An exceptional moment of indulgence, to celebrate a family event, or to surprise a loved one.

“Picnic,
the art of outdoor cuisine...”

— ALAIN DUCASSE



A DELICIOUS GOURMET LUNCH.

Christophe Martin's cuisine magnifies regional produce lending themselves so well to an outdoor lunch.

Old fashioned tomato salad, freshly picked from the Bastide's own vegetable garden, drizzled with sweet fruity house olive oil, courgette and basil focaccia, soft pan bagna, bursting with colour and flavour, rabbit porchetta, creamy Banon cheese, crispy Provence fruit tartlets, bursting with sunshine.

You are surrounded by a concentration of perfumes, colours. The menu evolves with the seasons, at the whim of the market, and the chef's inspiration:

A picnic encompasses all the art of outdoor cuisine....

From the first amuse-bouche until the coffee is served, our chef elaborates an authentic fare, drawn from our vegetable garden, and our local markets.

Mineral waters and hot drinks (included in the menu) can be complimented with wines to be selected with our sommelier who will assist you in discovering the best regional treasure to accompany our selection of sun soaked dishes.

A team of artists and craftsmen were brought together by the Bastide to give a quintessential cachet to this bucolic escape. Thus, the picnic table is a unique creation of Italian designer Stefania Di Petrillo, christened "A Tavola".

Crafted in solid aged chestnut, this ingenious "picnic chest" opens, unfolds and metamorphosis into an elegant table, including comfortable benches garnished with felt cushions. Set with hand crafted multi-coloured and enamelled tableware, – another Stefania Di Petrillo creation – our table beckons to immediate enjoyment!

Gérard Jourdan, body-worker in Menton, took two years to restaure our pick-up to its former glory, using only the finest leather, creating the gem it is today!

IN DETAIL

Picnic starting from Bastide de Moustiers

For 2 to 6 guests, 190 €

ON RESERVATION AND UPON AVAILABILITY.

ABOUT THE BASTIDE DE MOUSTIERS

In 1994, Chef Alain Ducasse fell in love with this property, once belonging to a master ceramist, a stone throw from the Gorges du Verdon.

He first transformed it into a private home, before converting it into an inn. A haven of cultivated conviviality, a corner of paradise in the midst of lavender fields and olive groves.

Mediterranean "Art de Vivre" are as celebrated as its table, awarded since 2002 by a Michelin Guide star.

A visit to the Bastide de Moustier must be a physical experience, because some things must be lives, not told. A home away from home.

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