



# OYSTERS ON THE UP

## *South Africa's Top Oyster Spots*

South Africans love seafood fare, and when it comes to nautical delicacies, none are as opulent as fresh oysters. *Signature* takes you to the country's top oyster hot spots, where you can indulge in one of nature's most delectable bounties.



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**THE MUSSEL MONGER  
& OYSTER BAR**  
**SEA POINT, WESTERN CAPE**

The Mussel Monger & Oyster Bar regards itself as the leading purveyor of the finest oysters and mussels in South Africa. Headed by pioneering chef, Kyle John Dods, this unique brand focuses on specialising with the two most sustainable

seafood products in the world. Kyle has built a unique relationship with his source farm in Saldanha, which means that that fresh produce is shipped to the restaurant daily. Oysters at The Mussel Monger offer sensational flavour, are simple in offering, and focus solely on our hero, the produce.  
[www.themusselmonger.co.za](http://www.themusselmonger.co.za)



### **THE GRILL ROOM**

#### **UMHLANGA, KWAZULU-NATAL**

The legendary Grill Room at The Oyster Box in Umhlanga, has been renowned for its fine dining and outstanding cuisine for nearly seven decades. Under the culinary leadership of Executive Chef, Kevin Joseph, the menu is an inspired combination of classic favourites, created by Bea Tollman, president and founder of the Red Carnation Hotel Collection. Oysters are one such favourite dish, and at The Grill Room they are served in all manner of ways; from fresh oysters served with a red wine mignonette on toasted brioche, to flame-grilled oysters with a burnt scallion butter and parmesan floss.

[www.oysterboxhotel.com](http://www.oysterboxhotel.com)

### **KREAM**

#### **MALL OF AFRICA & BROOKLYN, GAUTENG**

Founded in 2007 by Tufan Yerebakan, Kream has established and developed itself into a trendy, one-of-a-kind restaurant experience. Serving delicious modern cuisine in an artistic environment, Kream combines these aspects to provide a great sensory experience. Kream offers upscale dining at its finest, try their oysters fresh, or salmon-wrapped, a delight for any occasion.

[www.kream.co.za](http://www.kream.co.za)

### **MARBLE**

#### **ROSEBANK, JOHANNESBURG**

Situated in Keyes Art Mile, the growing art and food hub of Rosebank, Marble Restaurant combines the open-fire trend seen internationally with an added dose of good South African flair. Enjoy oysters at Marble, served with a fresh and fragrant Thai water dressing and citrus granite, as you sip on a glass of bubbly.

*Marble reopened (for dinner only), on 1 September 2020.*

[www.marble.restaurant](http://www.marble.restaurant) 



### **QUNU AT THE SAXON**

#### **SANDHURST, JOHANNESBURG**

Qunu extends a warm African welcome, enticing you with its rich surroundings, red tones, woven lampshades and an ambient glow, enhanced by the remarkable hanging gardens. With its picturesque indoor-outdoor atmosphere, Qunu exudes a sense of being an intrinsic part of Africa. Enjoy the oyster and caviar starter at Qunu - a real showstopper.

[www.saxon.co.za](http://www.saxon.co.za)