Review - River Life Restaurant

It's that time of the year when dining out becomes a necessity as workers across the country take time out to celebrate Christmas and New Year. However, if you're like me and are becoming weary of the relentless festive fayre and yearn for something a little different then I can heartily recommend River Life, a French Caribbean restaurant in Edinburgh's Dalry Road.

My office colleagues and I went there last Wednesday evening for our Christmas dinner and while admittedly some of us had reservations about opting for a non-traditional Christmas meal — we could have chosen the restaurant's Christmas menu but decided to do something different — it was a decision which proved to be an excellent choice.

The feeling of satisfaction began even before we started to dine. We were greeted warmly by staff who thanked us for dining there and hoped we would enjoy the food.

The menu was a wide range of exciting and evocative French Caribbean dishes from the Island of Guadeloupe. I had the pork liver parfait, slow-cooked and browned pork fusion with rice then finished off with the sumptuous brandy crème brulee.

The other options on the menu looked equally tempting and all of my colleagues related they thoroughly enjoyed their meals.

All in all it was a very enjoyable experience. The food was sublime, the service excellent and the result was a group of very satisfied customers. If you visit River Life I'm pretty sure you'll be satisfied too.