

# International Gin and Tonic Day

The CEO of Scottish Enterprise will be pleased – today is International Gin and Tonic Day 9 April 2017. At the Scottish Development International Food and Drink event the other evening she said she very much enjoyed her gin and tonic at the end of a long busy day in the Big Apple (and apparently had been told to have one by her boss the First Minister!).



One of the ways to celebrate today is with a gin and tonic inspired Afternoon Tea.

Hotel Du Vin has partnered with 'Best in Class' Fever-Tree to offer the perfect accompaniment. Its Afternoon Tea is accompanied by a specially curated Gin and Tonic menu, featuring a selection of hand-picked gins, each perfectly paired with its own tonic, such as:

- The Sipsmith Sloe, a deliciously rich and smooth gin that leaves moreish cherry, almond, cinnamon and plum notes on the palate is lengthened with Fever-Tree's Sicilian Lemon Tonic and a garnish of orange rind, for a refreshingly fruity drink
- Gin Mare – a bold gin with olive and basil flavours – is accentuated with the rosemary, lemon-thyme and geranium in Fever-Tree's Mediterranean Tonic for a herbal, savoury twist on the classic G&T
- Monkey 47, inspired by perfumery and distilled in Germany's New Black Forest, 47 botanicals give this

premium gin a depth and complexity, which is lifted by Fever-Tree's Indian tonic. Served with strawberry and lime, it's a treat

The Afternoon Tea itself features a creative selection of mini sandwiches and savouries, from Severn and Wye smoked salmon and cream cheese bagels, to ham with Gruyere croissants and goat's cheese and spinach quiches. This is followed by the traditional scones with cream and jam, and topped off with a choice of sweet treats including rhubarb and custard doughnuts and homemade apple candy floss.

In keeping with tradition there is also an impressive selection of tea infusions created for Hotel du Vin by world renowned tea connoisseurs Twinings.

For those after a light treat there is the Classic Cream Tea (£8.50), served with warm scones, a selection of jams, thick clotted cream and smooth Lescure butter.