## Where to eat — Borough Restaurant

The Borough Restaurant.

Let's face it, Leith needs another restaurant like Stockbridge has a shortage of Guardian readers but there's always room for something different.

I am in the mood for change.



Head Chef Darren Murray

I love fine food but sometimes don't want to make a whole evening of it. "Let me tell you about the tasting menu we had last week"

A sentence nobody but a masochist wants to hear. Not that I'm not partial to a tasting menu myself.

They're absolutely great for avoiding awkward conversations because

all you talk about is the food. "We need to discuss our divorce

settlement..." A ten courser it is then! "...and who gets custody of the

dog." With wine pairings!

The Borough in its previous form as Norn used to be tasting menu

heaven and very popular it was too. Head Chef Darren Murray fancies a

change, however, and how's this for an original concept: fine dining

that's also fun? So you don't have to devour six courses, you can

share (yes share!) one.



Strawberries and goats curd



Restaurant manager Richard Kyle and Head Chef Darren Murray



Borders Pigeon with Beetroot and Black Pudding At their opening Murray told me that he not only wants diners to enjoy the food but to have a great time. After pinching myself I had to agree. With a cool, comfortable atmosphere

and Scandi-style edge the Borough is a relaxed but elegant venue.

Original paintings by internationally acclaimed artist Steven Cox

adorn the walls. Patrons can see into the kitchen and be inspired by

the pretty dishes coming through the pass.

Mussel and Gherkin Tagliatelle, Beef Tartare with Egg Yolk Confit, Oyster with Tomato and Bone Marrow. the key ingredients shine through here and each dish is

approached with delicacy and skill. As well as an impressive array of

spirits and a well crafted cocktail list, Borough has an extensive

selection of fine wines with over 20 available by the glass.

Borough are offering guests 20% off their food bill until 20 July 2018 as a thank you for welcoming the restaurant to the neighbourhood.

If fine dining isn't your thing, this new venture might just surprise you.

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