## Review - Singh Street

## Bruntsfield Place has no shortage of restaurants, but Singh Street offers something fresh and dynamic.

The alluring decor draws in the eye and I notice some passing trade stop, look in the window and follow us in. We were given a friendly welcome from Nadia on a busy Saturday night and even bumped into an old friend such is the popularity of this new eatery. The fusion of Indian and Scottish cuisine works very well.

Perhaps one of the best examples is the Haggis Keema small plate which features the traditional Scottish dish cooked in turmeric, chilli, peas and masala spices. It was accompanied by a refreshing pint of Kingfisher served with a smile. We enjoyed the colourful up-tempo atmosphere and the rhythm and energy between courses.

Another small plate we enjoyed was the juicy Tandoori Prawn which featured fresh chargrilled prawns bursting with flavour in spiced yoghurt, lemon and coriander. For the main course, I plumped for the Ruby Chicken, a popular dish of tandoori chicken in masala, spiced tomato, garlic, butter and cream.

The restaurant only opened in September this year but has already gathered a strong word-of-mouth reputation and this Ruby Chicken is one to savour. For me, it was one of the tastiest curries I've enjoyed in a long time. It was topped off with pilau rice steamed in spices and turmeric. The garlic coriander naan bread with garlic butter is the ideal accompaniment to soak up the thick and tasty sauce on a cold winter evening.

From Hand To Heart is the restaurant's motto and they go the extra mile in making your meal a personal experience by tailoring it to your taste. Although I didn't try it, my interest was peaked by another fusion dish; the Masala Fish and Chips. This 'Friday Special' comes with masala spiced fish in crispy batter and chunky chips. With the Christmas season upon us, there is also the option to "Spice up your Xmas" for 30 pounds per person.

This menu offers an alluring Punjabi Tiger Prawn cocktail as well as turkey breast curry and a Bailey's Chai. I did try a chai after-dinner drink and it was the perfect digestive to end the night. Singh Street also offers lunch and breakfast options, the breakfast promises a bacon naan roll among many other mouth-watering options. How about a punjabi omelette? As I write this I'm checking my diary to see when I can fit in my next visit. This is a welcome addition to the Bruntsfield neighbourhood and Singh Street looks set to become a Scottish favourite with new restaurants on the horizon.

It is well worth a visit for curry lovers and foodies keen for a vibrant experience.

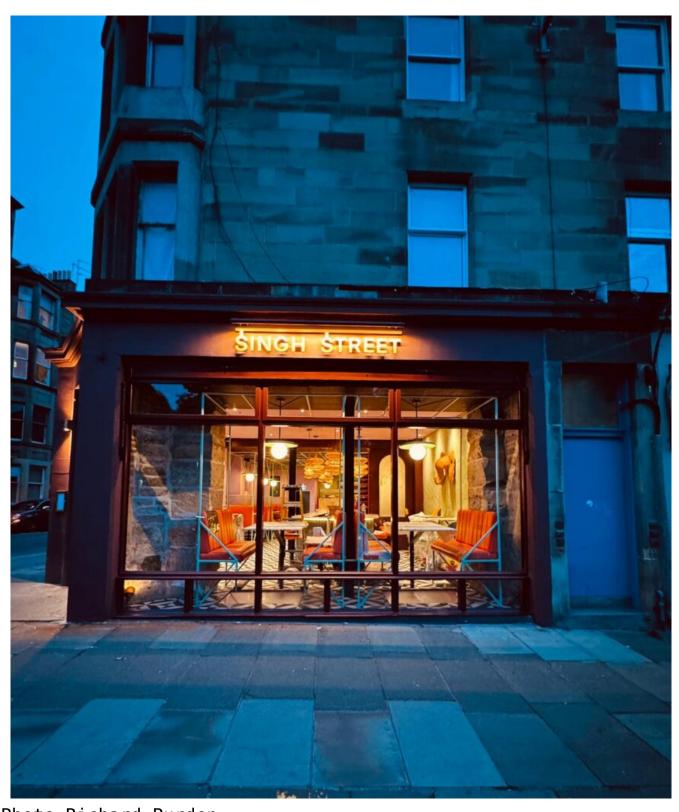


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