

The Glade at sketch

The Glade at sketch has been transformed into an enchanted fairy tale forest, in the heart of central London. Inspired by a single image from an early 20th century communion card, artists Carolyn Quartermaine and Didier Mahieu have created a decoupage forest in a room where everything has been handmade and tailored to the space. Internationally renowned for their installations and design work, Quartermaine and Mahieu have a long history with sketch and a strong friendship with its founder Mourad Mazouz.

The collaboration evolved from the communion card belonging to Mahieu's grandmother which depicts a Glade like scene, and is itself hung discreetly in the room at sketch. The card was repainted, reversed and enlarged before being printed onto hundreds of metres of paper. Each piece of paper was then handcut and decoupage to the walls by a team of artists, designers and sketch staff, creating one of the first rooms of this kind in London. The room is the latest transformation at sketch, a venue that remains ever true to its integrity as a place that is always changing and evolving, and where nothing stays the same. The new Glade will compliment the recent refurbished Gallery Restaurant designed by Turner Prize winning artist Martin Creed.

Impressive peacock chairs and an eclectic mix of ratten furniture create a unique outdoor atmosphere where guests can enjoy afternoon tea and cocktails six days a week. Each piece has been sourced specifically for the Glade, from locations such as Portofino, Sardinia and South of France combining the historical romance of the room with iconic 1950s furniture. Following the huge success of afternoon tea in the Parlour, sketch is delighted to announce that the Glade will begin serving afternoon tea from Monday to Saturday from 12noon to 5:30pm. Traditional Afternoon tea is priced at £27 per person, or £52 for two people. For a special occasion, Champagne Afternoon Tea is also available with a variety of champagnes by the glass ranging from Pommery Brut Royal to Dom Pérignon. After 5:30pm, the room will become a cocktail bar offering an extensive list combining classics such as Mojitos and Cosmopolitans with sketch Exclusives. Made with the freshest ingredients and innovative flavours, quirkily named "Sketch, Love and Tea", "Let's talk about Passion" and "Kick the Ketel" are some of the latest additions to an impressive list.

Opening Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 1pm – 2am

Friday/Saturday – 12 noon – 2am

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