

IT'S NOT OVER YET

Plateau's Alpine chic winter pop-up, Off-Piste at Plateau, is open until the end of the month.

The terrace offers fantastic views over Ice Rink Canary Wharf and is complete with snug furry blankets and festive wreaths. Head chef Jeremy Trehout has created indulgent bar snacks including comté cheese croque monsieur and raclette crostini. Along with winter warming cocktails in collaboration with Appleton Estate Rum and Wild Turkey Bourbon, it's the perfect date spot. Do try 'Thyme to hit the Slopes': made with Wild Turkey 101, Amaro Averna, fresh orange, lemon juice and thyme, it's potent and delicious.

Plateau, Canada Square

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CAKE OR CHOCOLATE?

Godiva's limited-edition Buffet de Gâteaux Valentine's Day Collection is inspired by high tea. The cake-themed chocolate flavours include Lemon Cheesecake, Crème Brûlée and Matcha Chiffon. Each piece is filled with a ganache or classic praline and encased in milk, dark, or white chocolate. The packaging was designed by

Los Angeles-based artist Sarajo Frieden.

14-piece heart box, £20, Godiva, Jubilee Place



FOR YOUR SWEETHEART

This Valentine's Day, classic favourites at French bakery Paul have been transformed into limited-edition heart shapes. The Sweetheart cakes are pretty, but we love the macarons, available in limited-edition flavours including chocolate and raspberry. For the savoury-inclined, try the heart-shaped baguette, and for kids, the Sucette St. Valentin chocolate bear is adorable.

From £1.50, Paul, Cabot Place



OUR FAVOURITE TIPPLE

Sampling events are excellent for allowing you to find a favourite. At a recent tutored tasting event overseen by The Macallan's head of education, Daryl Haldane, we tried The Macallan's 12 Year Old Fine Oak, Sherry Oak and Double Cask expressions, alongside Rare Cask and M Decanter. A favourite of ours was The Macallan M Decanter. Sitting at the pinnacle of The Macallan 1824 Series, M delivers ginger, nutmeg and cinnamon flavours among the oaky, woody notes. Just add water or, for seasoned drinkers, enjoy neat.

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