# **TGC - MEMBERSHIP TERMS & CONDITIONS – Update\_20-Apr-22**

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# THE GASTRONOMY CLUB LIMITED MEMBERSHIP TERMS & CONDITIONS

The Gastronomy Club Limited ("the Company") trading as the **Gastronomy Club** was incorporated in England & Wales on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2018, under Company Number 11389413. Its Registered Office at the time of this Declaration is **FF55 Unit 11, Indigo House, Fishponds Road, Wokingham, RG41 2GY, Berkshire, England,** this address is also the company trading address.

The Gastronomy Club is to bring together like-minded people who have a love of Food & Wine and a passion that only travel can provide.

#### Background.

The idea was borne by the founders based on experience arising from years of international travel through the 70's, 80s, 90's and the first decade of the 20's. Those travel experiences, the events, the meetings, contacts, and introductions were the entrée into a world of gastronomic experiences. Those experiences, often by accident, then formed part of, or the centrepiece, of many tours and breaks, which became increasingly popular as the "foodie trend" grew.

In 2019 a collaboration was formed with Livingstone's Travel World, which had notable experience in this travel sector. They would organise tours and breaks exclusively for the Gastronomy Club, and a small, selected number was available to book when the Gastronomy Club was launched in January 2020. Unfortunately, within weeks following the arrival of covid things came to a grinding halt. During the lockdown, with no possibility of travel and with little else to do, the addition of an Artisan Deli, to enhance membership benefits and expand the Gastronomy Club operation was an idea that came to fruition.

#### **Membership Benefits:**

- A discount between 4-6% is available to members who book a Gastronomy Tour, a Gastronomic Capital break, a UK Foodie break, and or Gastronomy Experience Days.
- A discount between 2-5% is available on all other events and functions promoted through the Gastronomy Club Website.

# Gastronomy Club Members will be notified of the discounts being offered as each activity becomes bookable, these discounts are not available to non-members.

- Access to Member Only events on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Member Only Artisan Deli discounted product promotions, on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Early Booking discounts for all The Gastronomy Club Networking Events.

#### Membership Fees.

• Joining fee: a one-time, non-refundable Fee of £35.00.

Promotions from time to time may reduce or remove the joining fee.

• Annual Subscription: £25.00 payable on every anniversary.

Upon receipt of the Application Form, Joining Fee and first-year Annual Subscription the member will be allocated a Membership Number and issued with a Membership Card. The Membership Number will always be linked to letters and communications, tours, breaks, event bookings, and all Artisan Deli purchases.

- Membership subscriptions are non-refundable. In the event a member wishes to cease their membership, a notice of this intent should be provided 14 days prior to any annual subscription renewal.
- Annual Membership renewal subscriptions are payable on the anniversary date, in the event the subscription is not paid within 7 days of that date, after receiving a reminder notice, The Gastronomy Club may decide at its discretion to cancel the said membership without further notice.

### Membership Terms & Conditions:

- Membership is strictly limited to individuals over 18 years of age.
- Upon the request of a member, persons aged between 10 & 17 years of age, subject to payment of the applicable fees or charges, can join a member on a tour or break, or accompany them at an event or function, but always at the discretion of a Gastronomy Club director.
- Members when attending any event or activity organised by the Gastronomy Club will always act in a reasonable and courteous manner and be suitably dressed considering the type and nature of the event or activity they are attending.
- Unsociable behaviour (including drunkenness at an event or activity that causes embarrassment to the Gastronomy Club, its members, and attendees) and abuse of any kind. Actions of this kind are unacceptable, and in the unlikely event of this occurrence being caused by a Gastronomy Club Member their Membership will be cancelled, and all membership benefits removed.
- Membership is non-transferable, but in certain exceptional circumstances, it could be granted, but only at the total discretion of The Gastronomy Club directors, whose decision would be final.

## Club Aspirations.

Our mission is to bring epicureans together in our elite club; a hub for like-minded foodies with exclusive access to a range of gastronomic delights, culinary experiences, and an opportunity to buy food and drink from an amazing range of products offered in our Artisan Style Deli, which very often would be hard to find in supermarkets or on the high street.

As the Gastronomy Club grows, so will the scope of our activities and the offerings we will bring to the table. This evolving process will take into account lifestyle changes and trends, climate change influences as is reasonably possible with consideration being given to:

- Responsible Travel Conservation of Heritage Wildlife Protection
- Organic Farming Artisan Suppliers with an emphasis on the UK

Regional Networking Events will form part of the Gastronomy Club's growth, providing opportunities for members and suppliers to regularly engage. These Supper Club-style network events will be held at selected venues, which have links to, or reflect an element of the core business activities and provide an ambiance befitting the occasion.

Additional club activities under development with 2022 launches planned are:

• Connoisseur Gin Club – The Gourmet Golfing Society – Connoisseur Whisky Club

The Gastronomy Club is a hub for like-minded "Foodies", members can enjoy and share their experiences with other members, and opportunities to enhance this interaction via the club's social media channels will become available in the passage of time.

 Anyone wishing to become a Gastronomy Club Ambassador should email <u>Manager\_1@tgclub.co.uk</u>.

#### Declaration

The detailed information set out above is a record of the terms, conditions, aims, objectives, and ambitions of the Gastronomy Club and its membership, and these shall remain in place for the foreseeable future.

They have been agreed upon and determined by the directors, and shareholders on the date referred to in this Declaration. When joining the Gastronomy Club every member accepts the Terms and Conditions that are set out on this webpage, and subject only to any notable changes, they shall remain in place throughout their membership. Copies of these Terms and Conditions of the Gastronomy Club Membership can also be seen, read, and printed off from the link on the website Footer.

In the event of a substantial change in the Terms and Conditions of Membership and or any notable change of aim and ambitions, then all members would be notified by email via the email address held on their membership record. Any small updates to these terms and conditions, ambitions, and objectives that do not change the Membership Benefits will always be available on the website footer link – www.thegastronomyclub.com/terms-and-conditions-of-membership.

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