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## Best Indian Restaurants in Cape Town

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Some like it hot! Fire up the festive season with some seriously spicy stuff!

There's more to Indian cuisine than chicken tikka masala and lamb rogan josh. The insiders went on the hunt for the best curry houses and indian eateries in the city and here's what we dug up. Have we missed your favourite? Then please add your recommendations in the comments below:

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**Food Inn India, Long Street**  
156 Long Street  
Cape Town

**Vintage India**  
10 Hiddingh Village  
Corner Mill street and Hiddingh Avenue

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## 2. BUKHARA



With its the burnt-orange walls, green marble floors, exotic lighting and custom-made teak furniture from Rajasthan, Bukhara is a slice of India in the centre of the city. Since it opened 20 years ago, this award-winning restaurant has been serving up top-end North Indian cuisine to discerning diners. The menu offers a mouthwatering range of chicken, lamb, seafood and vegetarian options, prepared in a variety of different ways, from *tandoor* and *singri* (which use open flames and coals) to *dum* (which involves slow-cooking in sealed pots to create fragrant and flavoursome curries). The chefs source all their spices from India, which are then ground locally to ensure premium quality and freshness. Watch them in action through the glass walls of the open kitchen.

**Opening times** Monday – Sunday, 12pm – 3pm

Monday – Saturday, 6pm – 11pm

Sunday, 6pm – 10pm

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## 12. BUKHARA



This is the sort of place where you'd expect to see rajah-riding war elephants sauntering up and down the aisles (although they'd probably have difficulty fitting their mounts through the entrance). The restaurant offers top-class Indian cuisine with a smattering of other Asian influences. Glass walls surrounding the kitchen allow guests to watch the chefs at work, while marble floors, high ceilings and opulent décor capture the majesty of an ancient Indian empire at the peak of its power.

**We recommend** the eight-course tapas menu – which is only available again from 1 May 2016. It has a bit of everything – fish, chicken, beef, lamb and vegetarian dishes prepared in a variety of different ways, from tandoor and *singri* (which use open flames and coals) to *dum* (which involves slow-cooking in sealed pots to create fragrant and flavoursome curries).

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