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**Jurys
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One of the county's newest hotels is the subject of the latest in our series of Spotlights on members of the Hertfordshire Hoteliers Association – and readers can take advantage of a great special offer. *Jurys Inn* Watford opened in March 2009 as a new-build property forming part of a striking development on Clarendon Road. The £16.5 million hotel follows the successful *Jurys Inn* formula of offering guests accommodation in the heart of town or city centres and is just minutes from the Harlequin shopping centre and Watford Junction station.

Along with other members, it is an enthusiastic backer of the HHA's new campaign to encourage non-residents as well as guests to eat in the hotel, which boasts a contemporary restaurant and bar and a food offer under the command of head chef Rao Matta. He joined late last year from *The Grove* in Watford, where he was part of the senior team at *The Glasshouse* restaurant.

General Manager Michelle Hickey says the *Jurys Inn*'s status as a new building is an important part of its appeal, giving guests access to a modern hotel that can offer all the latest high-tech developments to make their visits comfortable. In particular, she says, the property is 'totally committed' to high-quality food and wines at affordable prices in a relaxed atmosphere.

The menu is an all-day one that changes seasonally and is available from 11am in the bar and from 6pm in the restaurant. The focus is on contemporary European cuisine with guests having a wide choice of light bites and starters, classic dishes such as grilled salmon with soy-dressed noodles and chilli sauce, a pasta and pizza selection, and speciality sandwiches such as a chicken Caesar salad tortilla. Desserts include tarte tatin, tiramisu and dark chocolate and raspberry truffle.

The main menu is supported by a table d'hôte offer with three courses at £19.95 or two courses at £16.95, with a choice of up to six starters,



six mains and six desserts.

Ms Hickey says the restaurant has been designed to be 'informal yet stylish' while the modern bar is the ideal spot for lunch or the place to enjoy a bite to eat with colleagues and friends. The *Jurys Inn* approach to food is designed to be 'unpretentious', she adds, yet with a vibrant cuisine, all served in a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere and backed up by friendly and fully-trained staff.

Jurys Inn Watford boasts 216 bedrooms and eight conference rooms among its facilities and Ms Hickey says business so far has been excellent. For those looking for somewhere to stay, the bedrooms are particularly spacious at 23-24 sq metres and can accommodate up to three adults sharing or two adults and two children. All bedrooms come with baths and showers, multi-channel TVs and tea and coffee facilities, and continental and full breakfast is served in the restaurant from 6.30am.



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