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Food and drink news
with Marina O'Loughlin

■ Summer is traditionally the time for us poor souls left languishing in the city to take advantage of special deals. At the dazzlingly pretty Cheyne Walk Brasserie (pictured), for instance, they've put on a special Côte d'Azur lunch: £16.95 for two courses, £19.95 for three, including choices such as pan-fried duck fillet with spiced jus and caramelised pineapple carpaccio. Perfect for summer hols, children (one per adult) eat free: fish fingers made from Dover sole fillets and chicken breast served with home-made chips and mixed vegetables. A perfect refuge after a morning spent credit card-bashing on King's Road.

*Cheyne Walk Brasserie, 50 Cheyne Walk SW3.
Tel: 020 7376 8787. Tube: Sloane Square*



■ More summer-drenched tastes of Provence at Sir Terence Conran's stylish, buzzing Almeida. Three courses for £19.50 brings a regularly changing carte that could feature dishes such as pissaladiere, a Provençal beef daube and figs roasted in honey with lavender ice-cream. And the set price includes a 'pot' between two of the distinctive rosé wine of Provence.

*The Almeida, 30 Almeida Street N1.
Tel: 020 7354 4777.*

Tubes: Highbury & Islington

■ The restaurant at Tate Britain has long been a well-kept secret for oenophiles and lunching politicians: its wine list is legendary. But it's only ever been open at lunchtime. Now you can catch breakfast or a traditional afternoon tea in this unique environment, surrounded by the magnificent Rex Whistler mural, *The Expedition In Pursuit Of Rare Meats*.
*Tate Britain Restaurant, Millbank SW1.
Tel: 020 7887 8825. Tube: Pimlico*