



Caravan Café: Kolkata's first Caravan themed café

The heart of a foodie. The spirit of a Traveller.

The city has opened its doors to the first Caravan themed café. Located beside City Centre 1 Mall Salt Lake, the café serves Continental cuisine and sports a chic ambience dotted with refreshing greens.

Born out of love for food, passion for travel and the eternal romance with life, the place reflects the free-spirited and bohemian souls who live life on their own terms. It's a place where one can relax and unwind over a long leisurely meal while soaking in the breezy carefree vibes.

The word Caravan which originated from the Persian word *kârvân* signifies a group of people travelling together. In their course of travel, they share a meal and get to know each other better. And that's what Caravan Café aspires to be. A place where friendships brew over coffee, love melts into luscious chocolates and travel plans are made over a hearty breakfast!





The interior design of the cafe is inspired by European architecture and style of décor. The love for restored vintage cars prevalent in Lisbon is reflected in the remodelled 1960's Volkswagen Camper that doubles up as a serving station and a classic photo op spot. The influence of Santorini and Mykonos in Greece is visible in the dreamy white walls adorned with vibrant bougainvillea blooms. The concept of vertical garden used for landscaping buildings in the eastern part of Europe lends a lush green 'grammable' look to the café providing a soothing and therapeutic effect.

The food is an eclectic mix of global cuisine that's hand picked for customers to experience different flavours and tastes which are characteristic to each country. The customers can savour All-day breakfast complete with Egg Benedict or French Toast, stick to the greens and dig into a healthy bowl of

Greek Salad or drown the work stress in a refreshing glass of Orange Mojito or Water Melon Iced Tea.

The café is a brainchild of Love & Clove Kitchen, owned by the founding member of Balle Balle Dhaba, the very popular restaurant serving Indian cuisine.

"Our vision is to make Caravan Café a one-stop-shop for entertainment destination for customers. From cuisine to ambience to the musical gigs and travel workshops that are planned in the coming days, the best in the world comes under one roof to celebrate the love for food and travel and the good things in life," says Bhaskar Deb, the Founder & Owner of Love & Clove Kitchen.

Caravan Cafe and Shanghai Social are the two flagship brands of Love & Clove Kitchen. Caravan Café offers a delectable range of Continental savoury and Shanghai Social serves authentic Chinese and Asian cuisine which is also served to the customers from the café premises.

"We hope that Caravan Café will redefine the experience of our customers who are slowly coming back to normal life after a crippling pandemic. We hope



to welcome them with great food, positive vibes and a lot of smiles,” signs off Payel Deb Sensarma, the CEO & Managing Director of Love & Clove Kitchen.

About Love & Clove Kitchen

Love & Clove Kitchen specializes in developing concept-based thematic restaurants that showcase the culinary specialties of global cuisine and capture the quintessential essence of a place, it’s people and their unique culture. Our vision is to create an unforgettable experience for our customers offering comfort food par excellence, complemented with elegant style and classy aesthetics.

The Team

Bhaskar Deb: Founder and Owner of Love & Clove Kitchen

Bhaskar is the Founder & Owner of Love & Clove Kitchen and is a serial entrepreneur. He is a seasoned consultant in the food and hospitality industry and is also the founder member of Balle Balle Dhaba, an iconic restaurant brand that specialises in authentic Indian cuisine.

He holds a Post Graduate degree in Business Management from IIPM, Delhi with specialisation in Marketing and HR. He started his career as as a Financial Service Consultant at ICICI Prudential, but left his corporate career at a high while posted in Guwahati as a Regional Training Manager with HDFC Life Insurance for his entrepreneurship calls. He soon realised an exciting journey was awaiting for him in the F&B space alone, though he has other conceptual start ups at his kitty.

Bhaskar is a passionate traveller who loves to connect with people from all over the world and experience different cultures. He believes in continuous innovation in identifying customer preferences and creating unique experiences in the areas of food, hospitality and travelling. In his leisure time, he pursues photography and is an ardent sports lover with interest in soccer, tennis, table tennis & badminton.



Payel Deb Sensarma: CEO & Managing Director of Love & Clove Kitchen

Payel is an ace corporateur turned entrepreneur. She has an extensive work experience of 18 years with reputed brands like Peerless Group, Tata Teleservices Limited, Idea Cellular Limited, Aditya Birla Group etc. She has diverse expertise in Business Analytics, Marketing, Product Management, Brand, PR & Corporate Communications. A keen eye for detail, passion for driving strategic outcomes, leadership skills and insightful innovation has been instrumental in shaping her career and evolving as a matured professional.

She has an impressive educational background with an MBA degree from ICFAI; PGDM in Mass Communications from Jadavpur University and PGDM in Public Relations from Bhavan's College of Communications.

Payel has a creative bent mind which reflects in the finesse and aesthetic approach she takes in every sphere of life and work. She has a passion for culinary interests and likes experimenting with new recipes. She is a music aficionado and is also an amateur vocalist. She loves to interact with people, travel the world and explore cultural uniqueness in different parts of the world.