

Moscow Restaurants: News and Openings

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This week we have one of the cheapest coffee shops you're likely to find in Moscow — and it's not half bad either — as well as a rebranded 'Planeta Sushi' and the fanciest eclairs money can buy. Go on, roll up those sleeves and get stuck in.

Cofix

Cheap and cheerful coffee

Starbucks better watch its back: the successful Israeli coffee chain has just opened up a new branch in Moscow, selling each item on the menu for only 50 rubles. The food is nothing to write home about, but offers incredible value for money, especially if you are on the go. The coffee (from Lavazza) is nice and strong, and at 50 rubles for a double espresso, you can hardly go wrong.

L'Eclair de Genie

A taste of Paris

It's fitting that the fanciest eclairs in the city should be sold in the upmarket Tsvetnoi Central Market shopping mall. Hailing from pastry masters in France, l'Eclair de Genie offers beautifully crafted eclairs in indulgent flavors like caramelized pecan and praline-almond to Muscovites with a sweet tooth. At 350 rubles a pop, they're not cheap, but as a one-time treat you won't regret it.

Moremaniya

Sea food on the cheap

Moremaniya has been open for a while outside of Moscow, but the new location on Kutuzovsky Prospekt means it makes sense to go two stops from the circle line for the incredibly cheap prices. Fresh, medium-sized dorado for 200 rubles and a simplified version of Marseille's famous fish soup bouillabaisse for 370 rubles. On a health kick? Try the seared tuna salad (369 rubles).

Shikari

'Planeta Sushi' gone pan-Asian

Shikari is the latest effort to rebrand "Planeta Sushi." The restaurant combines Indian, Japanese, Vietnamese and adapted Chinese cuisines. The Vietnamese hot pot "lau" is the main attraction — dip pieces of fish, shrimp, chicken, and vegetables into the boiling broth (1350 rubles for two). Alternatively, opt for the butter chicken (399 rubles), the dim sum or sushi.

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