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## Fine dining restaurant steps of service

Guests patronizing restaurants expect a good standard of service and quality and presentation of food, especially when they dine with friends and families. Every guest expects value for the money he/she spends. Dining Service skills of the staff, and availability of time. The wait staff should be briefed and trained regularly on the service procedure followed in the establishment. No matter what service method is adopted by the restaurant, the service staff should be friendly, should recognize the presence of guests, make them comfortable, and should work with the prime objective of satisfying guests and maximizing revenue. Restaurant Dining Service Procedures Steps of fine dining service procedures in food and beverages: 1. First acknowledge the guest's arrival with a pleasant smile and greeting. Guests are usually greeted by the reception head waiter in a large establishment. 2. Check if they have a reservation and guide them to their table. If not, take them to a vacant table. 3. Enquire if the guests would like an aperitif in the lounge or reception area, or at the table. 4. The reception waiter unfolds each guest's napkin and places it over his/her lap. 6. The Sommelier offers the wine list for the choice of aperitif and takes the order. 7. Rolls, Bred and Melba toast are offered and butter is placed on the table before serving the aperitif as it gives some time to the sommelier to collect the drinks. 8. Aperitifs are served and are cleared when all the guests have completed their drinks. 9. The menu is presented to the host and his/her quests. Adequate time is given to quests to make their choice. 10. The station head waiter takes the order from the host from his/her right. Guests must be ready to offer suggestions and advice on the menu to explain the dishes if required. 11. Take the order from the host from his/her right. the supply of bread and butter continuously until the main course. 13. Lay covers for the first course, 14. Clear the accompaniments on the table. 16. If wine is ordered for the first course, serve chilled white wine in the wine glass. 17. Place half plates and serve the fish course. 18. Clear the fish course dishes. 19. Remove the accompaniments placed for the fish course. 20. Lay covers for the main course. 21. Serve red wine in a red wine glass at room temperature. 22. Place joint plates and serve the main course. 23. Clear main course plate along with side plates and bottles. 25. Crumb the table. 26. Present the dessert menu to the guests and take the order. 27. Serve the sweet course. 28. Clear the sweet course dishes. 29. Take orders for coffee or tea. 30. Serve the coffee. 31. Present the bill and take the offered cash or card to the counter. 32. Helps guests when they are prepared to leave. 33. Clear the table and set the cover for the next guest. In order to continue enjoying our site, we ask that you confirm your identity as a human. Thank you very much for your cooperation. 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For guests, fine dining generally comes paired with an expectation of higher prices and sharper dress codes. Often, high-end restaurants have fixed menus or a set price per diner, with each course and the pacing designed by the chef. Serving protocols and procedures at fine dining restaurants do tend to differ from casual restaurants. Fine dining establishments tend to hire experienced staff that can deliver a fancy experience, with the food and beverage knowledge to elevate the visit for guests. Generally, fine dining restaurants offer a more formal dining experience that incorporates multiple courses. The first order servers typically take is the drink order ideally within a moment or two of the table being seated. The meal proceeds accordingly: drinks, appetizers, entrees, and desserts. How you or your staff go about taking orders depends on the menu at your restaurant. Many fine dining restaurants operate under a prix fixe menu: a set menu with one or limited options in the multi-course meal. Some restaurants will have one choice for each course, while others may have a few options for customers to pick and choose from. Other fine dining restaurants use à la carte menus, where the guest builds their main course plate from an extensive menu made up of a main entree and a list of sides and appetizers for the table to share. Whatever the menu, your fine dining restaurant doesn't need to be using only pen and paper. Restaurant technology like a handheld POS can help provide a seamless guest experience. Guests are typically spending more money than usual at a fine dining restaurant, so they expect their order to be timely and correct - all of which technology can help deliver. And seamless tech allows your servers to spend more time on the hospitality aspects of the guest experience and less time on taking orders and running payments. For more information on how to describe fine dining food and how to build a menu, check out Toast's course on menu engineering. How to serve food in a fine dining restaurantThe general rule is to serve from a guest's left using your left hand. You or your servers never want to reach across a guest to reach the table, and it's best practice to take the plate from the closest point. To avoid leaving fingerprint marks, glasses and silverware are held by the base, and all guests should be served at the same time, making sure to wait for each course to be fully finished before starting to serve the next one. While the guests are eating, servers should check in periodically, clear empty dishes, and crumb the table when necessary. At the end of the meal, always check in for more orders before bringing the check. How to address diners in fine dining It's important to know how to introduce yourself when you manage or work at a fine dining restaurant. When guests arrive, warmly and formally welcome them. Stick to more professional greetings: "Good evening, ma'am," would be more appropriate for fine dining than "how's it going tonight?". You might also choose to introduce yourself. Throughout the meal, keep your tone professional and respectful. How to serve wine in a fine dining restaurant should be well-versed in the restaurant's wine and drinks list, and should know which wines will go well with which entrees, be able to make recommendations, and be able to describe and identify the flavor profiles. When serving, your servers should start by showing the guests the wine bottle to make sure it's exactly what they want before opening. Once opened, pour a small amount for the guest to make sure it's what they were looking for. When pouring the full glasses, make sure that you hold the glass from the stem (not the bowl) and pour from the right. Use a cloth napkin to clean any drips while pouring, and place the bottle at the table (as long as it's not empty). Learning how to be a good server takes training, patience, and a few tricks up your sleeve. Greet the guests: Here, the server will explain the menu and answer any questions. This is also a good time to fill water glasses and familiarize yourself with the guests and their needs. Take appetizer orders to the table. This is a good time to share any specials of the night as well. Take entree order; Allow any appetizers, soups or salads to be finished before taking the entrees. Serve entrees: Prior to serving the entree, clear any appetizer plates, fill any empty water glasses, and check for any additional needs from the table. Check back on entrees: Check in within a few minutes of the entrees being served to make sure everything is correct and the guests are satisfied with their orders. Take dessert menus. Check back on any more orders: Before presenting the check, check in on the table to ask if they would like to order anything else. Present the check over and leave it on the table. You don't want to rush the payment, but make sure to process payment promptly so guests aren't waiting around. Clear the table: Clear the table within a few minutes of the quests leaving. This way, it's ready for the next party and surrounding guests don't have to look at dirty dishes. Fine dining restaurants typically prefer to hire staff who have previous hospitality experience. First, you should work as a server or bartender in a more casual restaurant, to gain experience and build your skills in the craft. Coming into a fine dining restaurant interview with plenty of experience, knowledge, and skill in the industry will give you a much better chance of being hired and being successful in this new role. You should have knowledge of fine dining etiquette and the general processes around serving food and wine. Start your fine dining careerService in a fine dining restaurant is often a step up from other restaurants - with a new layer of service and etiquette, higher price points, and higher diner expectations. Opening a fine dining restaurant involves heavy financial investments, strong market understanding and great management skills. For more information on opening a fine dining restaurant, check out this post. Header image by Obi Onyeador, via unsplash. Remarkable service will have your guests raving about your restaurants to friends near-and-far. Here's how to train your staff to provide excellent restaurant service.

