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World-famous big names of five-star cuisine in Zermatt Rufibach & Friends: celebrity guest chefs in the kitchen of the Grand Hotel Zermatterhof

The continuation of the Rufibach & Friends event series once again brings celebrities to the Grand Hotel Zermatterhof in 2019. Heinz Rufibach, Chef de Cuisine at the Grand Hotel in Zermatt, invites world-famous big names of five-star cuisine into his kitchen and restaurant and spoils the guests in the Alpine Gourmet Prato Borni with exceptional creations. At the end of January, Irma Dütsch, the grande dame of Swiss haute cuisine, will be a guest chef in the Prato Borni. In February, lovers of fine food will be able to enjoy culinary delights prepared by Bernard Antony, a true cheese connoisseur hailing from Alsace. In March, there will be a royal touch, with Anton Mosimann honoring the Grand Hotel with his visit. He works for the Queen of England and, amongst others, created the wedding menus for Prince William and Duchess Kate, and for Prince Harry and Duchess Meghan.

All three events promise culinary delights yet with very differing accents. In January, during the visit of celebrity chef Irma Dütsch – the first woman to be awarded a Michelin star – Swiss cuisine will take centre stage. With Bernard Antony, cheese-lovers are in for a real treat. The world's most famous *maître fromager affineur* has been attracting attention since 1979 for his cheese creations made from unpasteurized milk. At the Zermatterhof, he will present an exceptional menu comprising some of the best products from his *fromagerie*. In March, the presence of Anton Mosimann at the Grand Hotel Zermatterhof will be the truly royal grand finale of the Rufibach & Friends event series in 2019. Mosimann, the chef with the bow tie, has perfected simple, light cuisine. He has been cooking for the British Royal Family for more than four decades and was knighted by the Queen for his service to British cuisine.

Reservations recommended

The Rufibach & Friends events begin at 7 p.m. and take place in the Alpine Gourmet Prato Borni at the Grand Hotel Zermatterhof. An exclusive four-course dining experience with selected wines will be served, which costs CHF 175.00 per person. More information will be published in due course on the website at zermatterhof.ch. Due to limited seats, we recommend making a reservation. Reception at the Zermatterhof will be happy to take reservations by telephone on +41 27 966 66 00.

All dates for Rufibach & Friends in 2019

Vol. IV, 28 January 2019: **Irma Dütsch**, the grande dame of Swiss haute cuisine

Vol. V, 18 February 2019: **Bernard Antony**, cheese connoisseur from Alsace

Vol. VI, 25 March 2019: **Anton Mosimann**, chef to the Queen of England

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