

## Amuse Your Palate at

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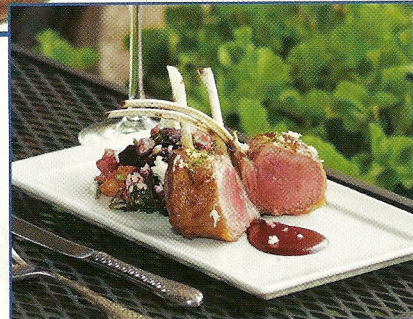
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If there's one thing the French know, it's good food. Which is exactly what you'll find at Amuse Bouche Gourmet Bistro & Catering, located in Surprise. Owners Kierstin and Snir Mor opened Amuse Bouche—which translates to a small morsel to amuse your mouth—four years ago, to bring a slice of Parisian cuisine to Valley residents. In fact, the now husband and wife team actually met while attending culinary school in Paris, both having left careers in a high-tech world behind. With their passion for cooking and mouthwatering French food, Amuse Bouche was born.

“Everything in Amuse Bouche is made from scratch; we use only the freshest of ingredients and go the extra distance with the quality by bringing in chocolate from Belgium, cheeses from France, fresh seafood shipped in overnight, and always offering the freshest meats,” says Kierstin Mor.

Any lover of French cuisine or those new to it will find plenty of gourmet delights on the menu. In fact, Kierstin says she wants guests to feel the authenticity so much that guests should feel as if they've found themselves in a neighborhood bistro in Paris. The best part? The meal won't come at gourmet dining prices.

“People will find friendly and attentive service, reasonable prices for the quality of food served and a non-pretentious plate presentation,” she says. “We believe that gourmet food should be accessible to everyone. For us, cooking is a form of communication, a way to make people happy and we hope it reflects in our establishment.”



Amuse Bouche also has a BYOB license, so guests can bring in their own bottles of wine or beer to share over a meal. The restaurant is open for Sunday breakfast, lunch and dinner and even offers catering services too. “We think of catering as a 400 seat restaurant on wheels,” Kierstin says. “We differ from other caterers in the fact that we actually cook our food on site, which ensures the best possible client experience. We specialize in upscale cocktail parties where we serve miniaturized versions of larger dishes and allow guests to experience a wide range of our flavors.”

Although the dinner menu regularly changes, a few standouts include the halibut, served in season, and the beef tenderloin. The restaurant was also recently named “Best New Restaurant of 2009” by *Phoenix Magazine*. And with such delectable, Parisian cuisine on the menu, it's easy to see why.

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