

The Shaw Davey Slum

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In 1958 two commissioners named Shaw and Davey set out to demolish the parts of Carlton they declared slums. The folk behind The Shaw Davey Slum are a proud bunch and they've created a shining beacon of everything that's great about this suburb. With one foot in the present and another in the past, there's nothing slum-like about The Slum.

A STYLISH FOODIE BEACON PAYING HOMAGE TO THE CARLTON OF OLD AND NEW

171-175 ELGIN STREET
CARLTON

MON - SAT 11AM - 1AM
SUN 11AM - 11.30PM

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The first thing you'll notice about The Slum is the imaginative interior design. From the minutest details, like gold foil flecking throughout the marble bar, to geometric zig-zags on the ceiling and '60s floral wall-paper – this place oozes lighthearted cool, which harks back to a time of promiscuous fun. It's the perfect place to relax over a Sunday session or to drop in for lunch, dinner or a cheeky drink. Upstairs there's a large open function space with a glass roof that lets the afternoon sun stream in. Everything on the menu is affordable, but The Slum don't skimp on quality. The kitchen focuses on Australian favourites, with a modern twist. Sharing plates include baked potato skins covered with cheese, spicy buffalo wings and the delicious slow roasted pork belly with crispy crackling.

For mains, the chicken parma is always a solid choice, and it'd be hard to beat the \$10 grass-fed steak. For the adventurous there's tender fried vegemite salt calamari and a vegan friendly zucchini & macadamia burger plated with brie and shoestring fries. Those with a sweet tooth will enjoy a tasty trip down memory lane with the tim tam and mint slice cheesecake. Seasonal craft beers are on tap alongside a comprehensive list of wines, spirits and inventive cocktails that stick with the vintage Australian theme.

Editor's PICK



Fried Vegemite Salt Calamari

Yes, you read correctly. It's actually amazing.

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