

Restaurant Review by Peter Wells

Escollera - Javea

Situated next door to the cinema, four of us decided to try out the new €9,99 menu del dia. This restaurant has in the past been very difficult to even get a table at, so the introduction of this menu del dia is maybe indicative of the times we now live in. Unfortunately the road outside was undergoing some rather noisy repairs during the time we were dining, obviously outside the control of the restaurant.

The dining area is beautifully designed with bare brick walls and wooden ceiling beams. The tables are set with starched crisp linen, good quality crockery and crystal clean glasses & cutlery.

The choice was inevitably somewhat limited but between us we had steamed mussels and salads to start, followed by fish or grilled meats with the merest hint of vegetables. The sweet was a choice between sliced orange, flan, ice-cream, or a stodgy custard slice .

The price included bread, ali-oli, sweet and half a bottle of house wine which was very drinkable.

The service was most attentive (the restaurant was almost empty!) and pleasant.

There are only two criticisms, one that the portions were very small indeed (for men at least) and extra bottles of water (500ml) was charged at an extortionate €2.50 each!

Conclusion – a pleasant dining experience spoilt by mean portion sizes and highway robbery for plain old agua sin gas! Perhaps best suited to ladies lunching-out rather than men with healthy appetites.

For more information go to www.escollerajavea.com

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| Food quality | 7/10 |
| Ambiance | 7/10 |
| Value for money | 5/10 |
| Service | 9/10 |
| Location | 8/10 |