



Café  
en  
Seine

Sunday  
Brunch

# Coffee Dock Menu

12.00 - 18.00

Soup of the day €4.00

Sandwich Selection €4.50

Served with a side Salad

- Honey Roast Ham, Cheddar Cheese & French Mustard
- Chicken avocado & Crispy Bacon
- Tuna & Sweet corn
- Egg Mayo & Spring Onion

Baguette Selection €5.50

Served with a side Salad

- Honey Roast Ham, Cheddar Cheese & French Mustard
- Chicken avocado & Crispy Bacon
- Tuna & Sweet corn
- Egg Mayo & Spring Onion

Soup & Sandwich Combo €5.90

Soup & Baguette Combo €6.90

**Add a soft drink to  
either bundle for just €1.50**

(Includes coke, diet coke, fanta, sprite, Fruice juice).



Also Serving Fresh Homebaked Pastries

# Tea & Coffee

Cappuccino €2.90  
Two shots of espresso & steamed milk with a velvety texture

Latte €2.90  
A shot of espresso with silky, textured milk for a smoother taste

Americano €2.70  
A perfectly balanced fusion of hot water & espresso

Mocha €2.90  
All the smoothness of a latte with a shot of chocolate added

Hot Chocolate €2.90  
A luxurious, steaming hot & lusciously smooth chocolate drink served with marshmallows

Espresso €1.90  
A shot of strong, highly aromatic coffee with a thick, rich crema

Doppio €2.60  
A double shot of espresso with a thick, rich crema

Macchiato €2.20  
A shot of espresso topped with a dollop of silky, textured milk

Tea €2.00

Herbal Tea €2.00  
Camomile, Green, Earl Grey, Wild Fruit, Rooibos, White Tea & Peppermint Tea's

Join Us for  
**Lunch Mon - Sat**  
Monday - Saturday 12.00 - 15.00

## Brunch 12.00 - 17.00

Bloody Mary, made the traditional way €5.00

Eggs Benedict €8.50

Two Organic Soft Poached Eggs on a Toasted Muffin,  
topped with Bacon & Hollandaise Sauce.

Topped with salmon & hollandaise sauce Additional €1.00

French Toast €8.50

Served with Grilled Bacon & Maple Syrup  
or Creme Fraiche & Blueberries

Homemade Café Burger €12.50

With a Choice of Toppings,  
Cashel Blue Cheese or Cheddar Cheese & Bacon.

Fish & Chips €12.95

With Pea Puree & Chunky Chips

Grilled 8oz Rib Eye Steak €13.50

Served with Cafe en Seine Butter

The Full Irish €10.50

Fried Eggs, Sausages, Bacon, Tomato,  
Black & White Pudding served with Toast

Tagliatelle €11.95

Broccoli & Feta Cheese with a Creamy Garlic & Herb Sauce

All our Beef is of Traceable Irish Origin.

## Try Our Evening Menu

Monday - Saturday 17.00 - 21.00

## Live Jazz

Sunday's from 14.00 - 16.00



### Bar Snacks

Hot & Spicy Chicken Wings €6.00  
with Blue Cheese dip

Kalamata Olives €4.50  
with Hummus & Pitta Bread

Chunky Chips & Aioli €3.50

Black & White Pudding €3.00

Leek Sausage with Relish €3.00

## The Long John Jump Band

Sunday's from 18.30 - 20.30



## A Brief History of 39-40 Dawson Street

Early in the 18th Century a property developer named Joshua Dawson acquired land between St. Stephen's Green and Nassau Street. His first development in 1707 was St. Ann's Church, situated across the street to the left, which he followed with his own mansion in 1710, now The Mansion House, the residence of the Lord Mayor of Dublin City, across the street on the right. The building that now houses Café en Seine was an early Georgian home with an entrance several steps above the footpath, like

those found on many Georgian Squares today. The original brickwork and fireplaces in this house can still be seen just inside the entrance to Café. Extended gardens, which included stables and other outhouses, stretched to the back of Café ending at Anne's Lane.

Early residents of 39 include MPs Nathaniel Shaw and Sir Robert Maude and General Sir John Leslie who commanded the British Troops in Ireland. It is whispered that his wife who died under mysterious circumstances is said to still frequent the premises. Late in the eighteenth century artisans and craftsmen moved into the street. In 1798 the French Army, defeated at Ballinamuck in Mayo, stayed on Dawson Street prior to their repatriation. While the officers were wine dined at the Royal Mail Coach Hotel, the common soldiers were billeted in residences including 39-40 Dawson Street.

In the 19th Century manufacturing enterprises occupied much of Dawson St. While upper floors continued to provide housing, the ground floors became shops and extensions were added to provide the factory facilities. To accomplish this, the front stairs were removed and the ground floor lowered to street level accounting for the exceptionally high ceilings in Café. Without electricity, the factory facilities were built with ceiling windows to provide the necessary light. Although somewhat altered, the sky lights in the bar areas of Café en Seine, date to the middle of the 19th Century.

In the 20th Century Café housed a wide range of businesses including a clerical club, a doctors surgery, a bicycle shop, an automobile showroom, a piano warehouse and showroom. Among the office residents of Café were Insurance Companies, Banks, Accountants practices, Estate Agents and Solicitors Offices. Even the Irish Government housed its revenue and passport departments in here. Ultimately, 39-40 Dawson Street housed large insurance companies. In 1917, Atlas Insurance added the Ballyknocken Granite fascia with Doric columns to the front and covered over the interior walls with lath and plaster, and adding drop ceilings to completely obscure the vaulted ceilings.

By the late 1980's the insurance companies moved out, and 39-40, like much of Dawson Street, was vacant and abandoned. In the early 1990's Liam O'Dwyer happened across a vacant 39-40 Dawson Street with its white plaster walls and drop ceilings. Pushing a ceiling tile aside with the handle of a brush he saw the vaulted ceilings and the seed that was to become Café en Seine was planted. The original Café en Seine was first opened in July 1993 and it occupied only the ground floor of 40 Dawson Street.

Seven years later, structural problems required extensive remedial work but Liam O'Dwyer decided that rather than merely repairing the existing Café he would effectively start from scratch and expand to include both 39 & 40 Dawson Street. The project took eighteen months and Café, in its current form, opened for business in December 2001

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