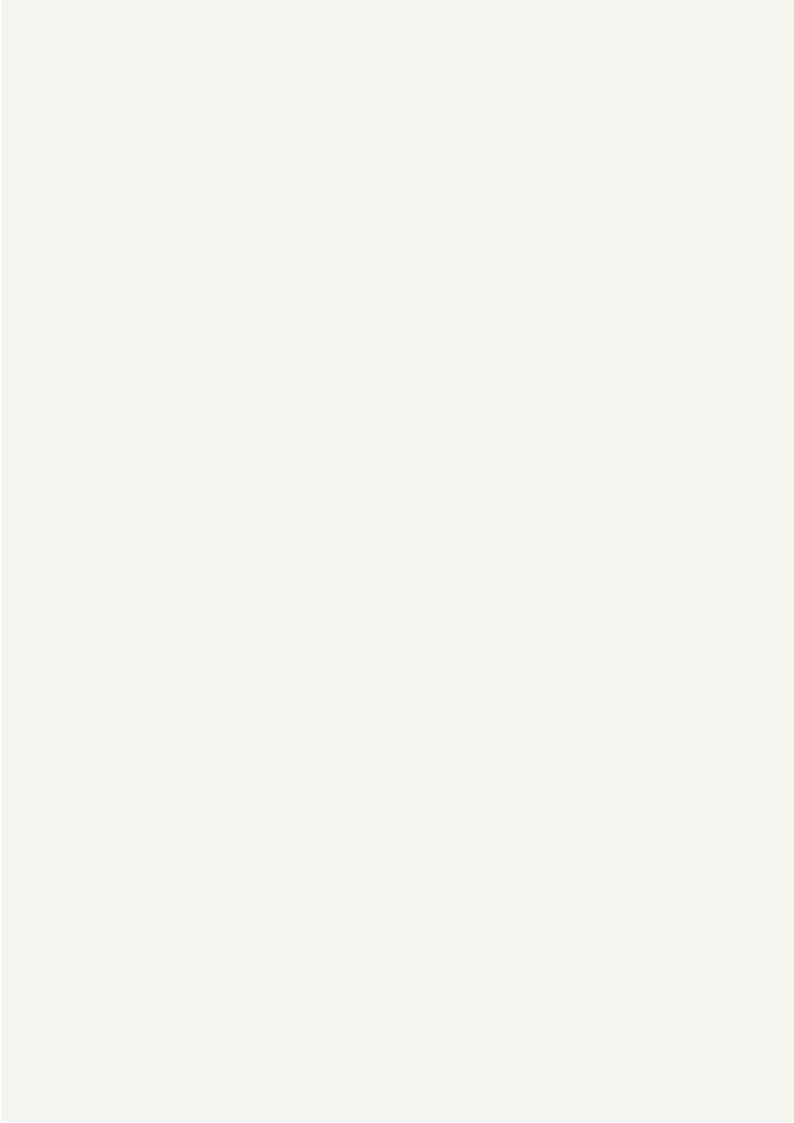


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# KAZUO TAKAGI

JOALI is proud to partner with multi-Michelin-starred chef, Kazuo Takagi, at Saoke.

Renowned for his two-Michelin-star namesake restaurant TAKAGI in Ashiya, Japan, and for his bento brunch shop Nichi Nichi, which also earned him a Michelin star, Kazuo Takagi is recognized as the master of 'Kyo-ryori,' a time-honored and refined Kyoto-style cuisine.

Born into a family of chefs, the seeds of his culinary passion were sown early in life. He began his culinary career at Kyoyamato in Kyoto, where he received training in traditional kaiseki-style cooking, an art form that harmoniously balances beauty, seasonal tastes, textures, and colors.

Aside from his multi-Michelin awards, Takagi has captained many prestigious hotel restaurants for brands such as Mandarin Oriental and Shangri-La. He is constantly invited as a guest chef to showcase his acclaimed culinary style at some of the world's top restaurants in Paris, Bahrain, Macau, Singapore, and Bangkok.

# WELCOME TO SAOKE RESTAURANT

We are very proud to have commissioned world-renowned restaurant architect Noriyoshi Muramatsu to design this distinctly Japanese restaurant.

Saoke is unique in many ways, from its distinct over-water location and mesmerizing views to its hand-chosen stones and tabletops. It's the perfect venue for special occasions and celebrations, sunset views, handcrafted cocktails, and superb sakes.

Chef Takagi's refined dishes brilliantly capture each season, elevating fresh seasonal ingredients into beautifully plated dishes infused with culture and flavor. Takagi has a deep love for these traditions, and his respect for Japanese heritage is shown in each exquisitely plated dish.

Uncover the essence of Japan. Explore ceremonial dishes and unknown flavor combinations. Enlighten your palate with new and unexpected tastes. Choose from traditional Kyo-ryori, teppanyaki, traditional sushi and sashimi, tempura, charcoal Robata dishes, and JOALI's own Nikkei cuisine. Teppanyaki set dinners can be arranged upon request. Your service attendant would be delighted to present the menus.

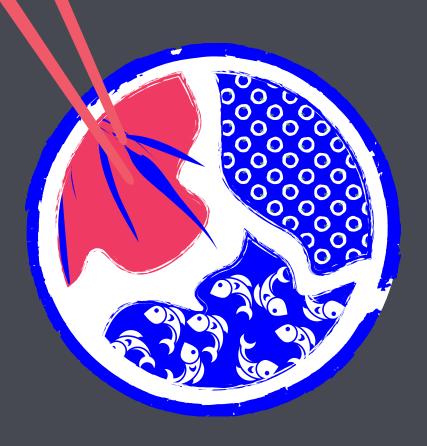
Curated by the head sommelier, who has a passion for sake, our list of bottles and carafes makes for the perfect meal pairing. For your dining pleasure, we have made a sake recommendation for each dish on the menu.

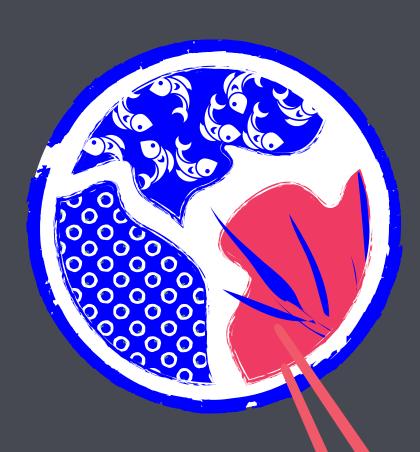


Although all due care is taken, some allergens may still be present in the dishes. Please inform our hosts if you have any severe allergies or intolerances before placing orders. Kindly note that any bespoke orders cannot be guaranteed as entirely allergen free.

At JOALI Maldives, we offer the best whilst being sustainable and ethical. With utmost care and worldwide ethical sourcing, we try to always improve the ingredients offered, whilst respecting environmental concerns.

Our culinary team crafts specialties with locally caught fish and seafood, along with organic produce from our Chef's Garden. Our commitment to fair trade principles is reflected in ethically sourced tea and coffee products. We use local produce as much as possible and offer regional and seasonal options. Please ask our Host for recommendations for locally sourced food.





# SAOKE DINNER SPECIALS BY CHEF TAKAGI KAZUO

(\$220 PER PERSON)

Umami Seafood

Prawns, salmon, scallops, steamed asparagus,
snow peas and soya jelly

Vegetable Okonomiyaki
Potato, red cabbage, asparagus, mushroom,

fresh truffle and truffle okonomiyaki sauce

Yuzu Beef Roll
Yuzu, Wagyu beef, pickled radish, soy milk mayo
and teriyaki sauce

Calamansi Sorbet

Miyazaki Tomato Sukiyaki
Miyazaki A5 , tomato dashi, fresh tomato, fresh truffle,
green pepper, onion, poached egg

Yuzu Crème Brûlée
Mix berry

ZENSAI

Edamame
Spicy, teriyaki sauce, truffle oil, salt

Grilled Iidako
Octopus ocellatus, garlic, Japanese mayonnaise

Classic Tuna Tartare

Maldivian tuna, avocado, onion, cucumber, dashi jelly,
caviar, Yukari powder and egg yolk

Homemade Pork Gyoza
Ponzu sauce and miso sauce

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## TEMPURA AND AGEMONO

Vegetable Tempura 34 🗷 🔊 🖫 🖫

Asparagus, baby corn, pepper, broccoli, eggplant, mushroom, Shiso leaf, grated daikon radish, tempura sauce

Chicken Karaage 40 (2)

Chicken thigh, garlic, ginger, shio koji, potato starch

Prawn Tempura
Sri Lankan prawns, grated daikon radish, ginger,

48 (\*\*)

tempura sauce

Assorted Tempura
Local reef fish, Sri Lankan prawns, broccoli, eggplant,

# **SHIRUMONO**

asparagus, mushroom

Miso Soup 31 🔊

Tofu, wakame, shiitake mushroom, spring onion

Kyoto Style Chicken Udon

Wakame, green onion, bok choy, carrot, snow pea

Seafood Miso 39 (Seafood Miso

King crab, Maldivian lobster, scallops, seasonal vegetables, local lobster dashi stock

## SAOKE TATAKI

Local Maldivian Yellowfin Tuna 45 🔊 🕲 🖟

Yellowfin tuna, ponzu dressing, bell pepper, white onion, spring onion, sesame seed, lime, cucumber

Sher Wagyu Tenderloin MB9 45 🗷

Fresh vegetables, pickled plum, pomegranate seeds, truffle ponzu sauce

## SALAD

Tofu Salad 40 💿

Japanese silken tofu, wakame seaweed, red vine tomato, white onion, daikon cress, edamame, garlic ponzu sauce

Avocado Salad 40 (20)

Mixed greens, asparagus, cucumber, avocado, daikon, cherry tomato, sesame seeds, goma dressing

Kamo Salad 45 🗷

Crispy duck, mixed green salad, cherry tomato, pumpkin seeds, pomegranate, goma ponzu

## **SASHIMI**

(3 PIECES PER ORDER)

Kisetsu No Sashimi 48 🔊

Three kinds of seasonal sashimi, fresh wasabi, sashimi soy sauce (for two or three)

Takumi No Sashimi

Five kinds of premium sashimi, fresh wasabi, sashimi soy sauce (for two or three)

## **CEVICHE**

#### CONSIDERED PERU'S NATIONAL DISH

Yellowtail Hamachi 54 🕭 🖟

Yellowtail Hamachi, ginger julienne, chuka wakame, jalapeño yuzu dressing

Salmon 59 🔊

Salmon, cucumber, pickled beetroot, fennel, white onion and vinaigrette dressing

# **ABURI / NIGIRI**

#### (2 PIECES PER ORDER)

Tamagoyaki	Japanese Sweetened Omelette	20 🔊
Asparagus	Asparagus	22 🔞
Âtichôku	Artichoke	22 🔞
Abokado	Avocado	22 🔞
Kinoko	Grilled Mushroom	22
Ebi	Cooked Prawn	22 🐼
Sakana	Reef Fish	26 🚱 🍜
Hotate gai	Scallop	26 📾
Suzuki	Seabass	26 🕭
Sake	Salmon	26 🙈
Shime saba	Marinated Mackerel	26 🙈
Unagi	Japanese Broiled Water Eel	26 🙈
Maguro	Red Tuna	29 🔊
Hamachi	Japanese Yellowtail	29 🙈

# **GUNKAN SUSHI**

#### (2 PIECES PER ORDER)

Spicy Salmon	Avocado	26 🙈 🍅
Ikura	Cucumber	25 🙈
Tobiko	Lime	26 🙈
Tuna	Garlic, shallot	<b>29</b> 🙈
Wagyu Beef		42 🗐

# **MAKIMONO ROLL**

(6 PIECES PER ORDER)

California Roll Crab meat, cucumber, rolled avocado, red tobiko (fish roe)	48
Spicy and Crunchy Roll Yellowtail Hamachi, avocado, boiled shrimp, tanuki, shichimi pepper	48 🗷 😭 🏞 🔞
Shrimp Tempura Roll Crispy shrimps, chives, avocado, tobiko (fish roe)	48 🗷 🗐
Spicy Tuna Roll  Marinated tuna, shichimi pepper, spring onion, cucumber, sesame seeds	48 🗷 🖎 🕲
Crispy Skin Salmon Roll Salmon skin, hajikami (ginger), cucumber, takuan (pickled radish)	48 🙈 🚱
Futo Maki Roll Crab meat, tamago (egg), pickled radish, kampyo (dried gourd shavings), cucumber, tobiko (fish roe), avocado	59 (2)
Spider Roll Soft shell crab tempura, cucumber, spicy mayonnaise	59 🗷 🗐

# TEMAKI HAND ROLLED SUSHI

(A PIECE PER ORDER)

Daily Vegetable	<b>s</b> Cucumber, pickled radish	21 🔞
Spicy Salmon	Avocado, ginger pickle	21 🗷
Baby Octopus	Crispy tempura, avocado	22 🗷 🏝
Spicy Tuna	Cucumber, ginger pickle	26 🗷 🕭 🗐
Crab Meat	Mango, garden cress	26 🐼

## **ROBATA**

#### **TAJIMA**

Wagyu Beef Tajima Short Ribs MB4-5

Wagyu Beef Tajima Striploin MB7-8

131 (1)

#### **LAMB**

Maori Lakes Lamb Rack
Japanese ginger, white sesame oil

#### **SHER**

Wagyu Beef Sher Tenderloin MB9+

Wagyu Beef Sher Tenderloin F1 Full Blood MB-9

226 (Ît)

#### **MIYAZAKI**

Wagyu Beef Miyazaki Striploin A5 279 🕟

#### All the above dishes are served with:

Miso steamed asparagus, heirloom carrots, baby corn, broccoli, robata sweet potato, robata zucchini, shitake mushroom
Dashi mash potato

#### Sauce on the Side:

Sesame sauce
Daikon-oroshi tare

#### With your Choice of Specialty Salt:

Sea Salt Flakes Black Murray River Naturally Pink Salt Flakes Pukara Estate Pepper and Olive Smoked Salt Flakes Lite Salt 50% Less Sodium Maldon Sea Salt Flakes

#### Miyazaki Striploin A5 Katsu

Panko crusted beef sandwich, katsu sauce, garden salad, nori flavored Coleslaw and truffle fries

#### **POULTRY**

### Truffle Teriyaki Chicken

Takikomi Japanese rice, robata asparagus



#### **SEAFOOD**

### Sumiyaki Charcoal Grilled Black Cod

Miso marinated black cod, enoki mushroom



HER STORY

Once Upon a Time in Nofu

This edible tale began at the very first Nobu. It was here that the miss black cod found its most famous form, now loved around the world.

Now, this iconic dish finds fresh expression. Marinated in miso and sake, the cod is wrapped in bamboo leaf and cooked over charcoal, using a traditional robatayaki grill. I hite into the glazed, buttery goodness ... oh my!

There is a special pleasure in rediscovering an old favourite, isn't there?

**Grilled Octopus** 

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Shiso tempura, Japanese Karashi mustard, ponzu mayonnaise

Catch of the Day

Negi olive oil sauce, ponzu mayonnaise

King Prawns



Negi olive oil sauce, ponzu mayonnaise

Maldivian Lobster





Black sesame, black olive oil sauce, negi olive oil sauce

#### All the above dishes are served with:

- Miso steamed asparagus, heirloom carrots, baby corn, broccoli, robata sweet potato, robata zucchini, shitake mushroom.
- Dashi mash potato



#### VEGETARIAN

Vegetarian Robata

48



Asparagus, capsicum, eggplant, pumpkin, sweet potato, broccolini, baby corn, heirloom baby carrot, mushroom, red cabbage, white truffle oil, fresh black truffle

Mushroom Gratin

48



Portobello mushroom, soya bechamel, asparagus, white truffle oil, fresh black truffle

