

# Raffaello Italian Restaurant

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**Food allergies or intolerances:**

*Before ordering drinks or food  
please speak to us about  
your requirements*



*Mon-Thurs:*

*12 noon – 9.00pm (last orders)*

*Fri-Sat:*

*12 noon – 10.00pm (last orders)*

*Sun:*

*12 noon – 8.00pm (last orders)*

## Happy Hour Menu

(Mon -Thu: 12 noon - 6.30pm; Fri - Sat: 12.00 noon - 6.00pm; Sun: not available)

1 course £6.95

2 courses £8.95

3 courses £10.95

### Starters

#### Bucce di Patata

deep fried potato skins with a dip of your choice: BBQ, garlic mayo or sweet chilli

#### Bruschetta al Pomodoro

toasted bread topped with diced tomatoes, garlic, olive oil and parmesan

#### Zuppa del Giorno

soup of the day; please ask for details

#### Funghi all'aglio

pan-fried garlic mushrooms served on toast



### Mains and desserts

#### Pizza

**Margherita** – tomato, mozzarella, oregano

**Napoli** – capers and anchovies

**Prosciutto funghi** – ham and mushroom

**Bolognese** – bolognese sauce, mozzarella

**Vegetariana** – fresh mixed vegetables

**Atomica** – peperoni sausages and chilli

**Pollo** – chicken and garlic

#### Pasta

**Carbonara** – bacon, cream and parmesan

**Bolognese** – beef mince and tomato ragù

**Arrabbiata** – spicy tomato sauce

**Amatriciana** – bacon, onions and tomato

**Napoli** – capers and anchovies

**Lasagna** – baked pasta, beef mince & cheese

**Romana** – chicken, mushrooms, onion, tomato

#### Dessert or coffee

**Ice Cream** – choice of flavours

**Fudge cake** – chocolate delight!

**Americano**

**For our young diners - Children's meal deal: £6.95 for three courses**

#### Mains

Half pizza or pasta from the above  
happy hour menu, or

Crispy chicken strips and chips, or  
Crispy fish strips and chips

#### Dessert

Ice cream – choice of:

Vanilla Chocolate Strawberry  
Mint chocolate Lemon Sorbet

#### Drinks

Any soft drink, or  
Fresh orange, or  
Fresh apple, or  
Fruit shoot or  
cordials

## Antipasti Freddi – cold starters

**Antipasto - £9.95** for one person; **£16.95** for two persons

Assorted Italian appetisers – the traditional way to start your meal!

**Bruschetta al pomodoro - £4.95**

Toasted bread, garlic, tomatoes, basil & olive oil topped with parmesan shavings

**Pâté della casa - £6.25**

Homemade chicken liver pâté with toasted bread and caramelised onions

**Cocktail di Gamberetti - £6.95**

Prawns nestled on a bed of finely sliced lettuce with a pink Marie Rose sauce

**Carciofi Mozzarella e Prosciutto - £7.95**

Artichokes, Parma ham and bufala mozzarella drizzled in olive oil

**Formaggio di Capra - £6.50**

Warm goat's cheese on a bed of crisp salad leaves with a balsamic reduction

**Caprese £6.95**

Simple salad of fresh bufala mozzarella, tomato and basil, drizzled with olive oil

## Antipasti Caldi – hot starters

**Pizza all'aglio - £4.25**

Pizza-based garlic bread (V)

**Pizza all'aglio e formaggio - £5.25**

Pizza-based garlic bread with bubbling melted cheese on top

**Pizza all'aglio e pomodoro - £5.25**

Pizza-based garlic and tomato bread (V)

**Cozze Provinciale (or cream) - £7.25**

Mussels with tomato, chilli, garlic and white wine (or white wine and cream)

**Gamberoni con aglio - £8.95**

Succulent king prawns cooked in garlic butter, chilli and white wine

**Zuppa del Giorno - £4.95**

Soup of the day served with bread – please ask for details

**Funghi all'aglio - £4.95**

Creamy sautéed garlic mushrooms served on toasted bread

**Calamari Fritti - £6.95**

Battered squid accompanied by a garlic mayo dip

**Bucce di Patata - £4.95**

Potato skins served with garlic mayo or BBQ sauce

**Gamberoni tempura - £9.95**

Pan-fried king prawns in a light tempura batter

**Arancini Siciliana - £5.95**

Deep fried breaded rice balls, encasing mozzarella and herbs, served with a tomato sauce

## Risotti – Rice

**Risotto pollo asparagi - £9.95**

Rice tossed with chicken, asparagus, chilli and light tomato sauce

**Risotto Contadina - £8.95**

Fresh mixed vegetables coated in a light tomato sauce (V)

**Risotto scoglio - £12.95**

Mixed seafood in fish stock (or with squid ink)

## Pizza – on tomato, mozzarella cheese and oregano base

**Margherita - £7.95** tomato, mozzarella and oregano

**Bolognese - £8.50** beef mince, mozzarella and oregano

**Pollo - £8.50** chicken and garlic

**Capricciosa - £8.95** ham, mushrooms, olives and artichokes

**Quattro stagioni - £8.95** ham, mushrooms, onions and peppers

**Napoli - £8.25** capers and anchovies

**Ortolana - £8.25** fresh mixed vegetables, mozzarella

**Raffaello - £9.50** Parma ham, fresh tomatoes, rocket and parmesan shavings

**Atomica - £8.50** peperoni sausages and chilli

**Carne - £9.95** meat feast!

**Prosciutto e funghi - £8.95** ham and mushroom

**Bufala - £10.95** original Margherita with buffalo mozzarella and oregano

**Calzone - £9.95** folded, with ham, mushrooms, onions, tomato & mozzarella

**Calzone con carne - £10.95** folded, filled with beef, onions, mushrooms, tomato and mozzarella

**Half pizza - £7.95** your choice of pizza with either salad or chips

**If you have any special requests please do not hesitate to ask your waiter**

## Pasta (gluten free pasta is also available)

**Spaghetti Bolognese - £8.95** slow cooked beef mince and tomato ragù

**Spaghetti pizzuti - £9.25** ham, tomato, mushroom, pesto, cream sauce

**Spaghetti polpette - £9.95** delicious meatballs in tomato sauce

**Tagliatelle carbonara - £8.95** pasta ribbons, bacon, cream and cheese

**Tagliatelle con Gamberoni - £12.95** king prawns, garlic, chilli, tomato

**Tagliatelle con verdure - £8.50** fresh vegetables; light tomato sauce (V)

**Penne Amatriciana - £7.95** pasta tubes, bacon, onions and tomato sauce

**Penne all'arrabbiata - £7.25** pasta tubes with a spicy tomato sauce (V)

**Penne alla Romana - £8.95** chicken, onions, mushrooms, tomato

**Cannelloni gratinati - £9.95** beef mince, béchamel and breadcrumbs

**Lasagna al forno - £9.95** baked pasta sheets layered with beef mince, tomato and béchamel sauce

**Strozzapreti con Nduja - £10.95** salami paste from Calabria, Priest

Strangler's pasta, broccoli and a spicy Nduja sauce

## Pollo – chicken

**Pollo piccante - £13.25** pan-fried chicken with roast peppers, cherry

tomatoes, chilli, garlic and tomato sauce

**Pollo Cacciatore - £13.95** chicken breast with roast peppers, onions, olives

and a garlic and tomato sauce

**Pollo Dolcelatte e asparagi - £14.95** chicken breast in a creamy

dolcelatte and asparagus sauce

**Pollo Valdostana - £14.95** oven-baked breadcrumb-coated chicken

breast with tomato sauce and mozzarella cheese

**Pollo al vino - £14.95** chicken breast cooked with artichokes and red wine

garnished with crispy Parma ham

**Pollo alla crema - £14.95** chicken breast in an onion, mushroom, white wine

and cream sauce

**Pollo gamberetti - £15.95** chicken breast cooked in garlic, white wine and

butter, garnished with king prawns

## Carne– meat

**Filetto alla griglia - £20.95** grilled beef fillet steak served with roasted

tomato and mushrooms

**Filetto Raffaello - £22.95** grilled beef fillet steak with a rich whisky sauce

topped with crispy Parma ham

**Medaglioni alla mostarda - £19.95** medallions of beef fillet cooked in a

light wine and mustard sauce

**Fettina di carne - £19.95** flattened ribeye steak cooked in a very hot pan

finished with wine, lemon and parsley sauce

**Filetto scogliera - £25.95** beef fillet steak, king prawns and garlic sauce

**Agnello rosmarino - £17.95** rack of lamb in a red wine, garlic and rosemary

reduction

**Bistecca in salsa - £19.95** ribeye steak with a choice of pepper, Diane,

dolcelatte or pizzaiola sauce

**All meat and chicken dishes are served with a choice of chips, vegetables or salad. Additional sauces are £1.50 per portion**

## Pesce – fish

**Branzino alla vernaccia - £15.95** Pan-fried crispy fillet of sea bass with

Vernaccia white wine sauce, rosemary and olives

**Fritto Misto - £16.95** a selection of deep-fried fish served with aioli sauce

**Spedino di gamberoni alla griglia - £17.95** skewered king prawns

marinated in a Salamoia sauce then char grilled

**Rombo regionale - £18.95** oven-baked halibut with olives, chilli, cherry

tomatoes and parsley

## Contorni e insalate – salads

**Mixed salad - £2.95**

**Chips - £2.95**

**Tomato and onion - £2.95**

**Spinach and garlic - £3.95**

**Green salad - £2.95**

**Sautéed potatoes - £2.95**

**Selection of vegetables - £2.25**

**Garlic mushrooms - £3.95**

**Asparagus, butter and parmesan - £3.95**