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Kemptown Trading Post & Cafe has new owners and a brand new look





ervé owner of the New Steine Hotel & Bistro, Gulliver's Hotel & Georges, his partner, have been Kemptown residents and business owners for the last 15 years. Taking over the Kemptown Trading Post and Café was the perfect opportunity for them to be under the same roof, but still doing their own thing.

Hervé wanted to go back to his roots, having previously worked for Valentino in the eighties, amongst other labels in London's prestigious Bond and Sloane Street.

"The Kemptown Trading Post was already a great place, full of interesting stalls and with a café too.

We have given everything a soft refurbishment of the décor as well as revising the menu. We offer a mix of great food and shopping, making it pretty unique and it is now looking better than

Hervé says: "I love the hotel trade, but I also wanted to use my creative side and love of fashion and taking over the Kemptown Trading post has given me the opportunity to do new things. Of course we are keeping the collectables and antiques, however, I also want to sell second hand designer bags and accessories like Louis Vuitton and Gucci wallets, and sun glasses for men, as well as women. I also want to introduce vintage and designer men's wear, second hand or old collections, at very reasonable prices. Brighton and thriving Kemptown is the perfect place to express

oneself in the way we dress as can be seen in the eclectic and colourful characters you see around. It reminds me of my time in London and has brought the fashion back into my life. I am really looking forward making Kemptown Trading Post a fabulous place packed with exciting and unusual finds.'

Georges has worked in the food & beverage industry for the last 25

years, starting in the South of France before moving to London, where he worked at 'Le Suquet' on Draycott Avenue amongst many others. He opened his own French restaurant in Clapham called 'Brasserie Metz', which was reminiscent of his French home town. Georges finally sold his restaurant to move to Brighton and help his partner Hervé Guyat open the New Steine Hotel on the New Steine. In Brighton he developed his career at the Seattle hotel & MyHotel, before opening his own business once again - 'Cup Of Joe'.

At Cup Of Joe, Georges has introduced his delicious salads and healthy food options, as well as fresh

and comforting classics like Eggs Benedict, Florentine and a traditional English breakfast. Alongside these there are French inspired treats such as his amazing Croque-Monsieur and Goat's Cheese toast.

His coffee is Verona Espresso Blend and you can also enjoy a wide selection of afternoon teas, whilst indulging in some classic English cakes like Victoria sponge, carrot, coffee and walnut cakes. And everyone is welcome including your four legged friends!

Both parts of the business are open Monday to Friday, 8am till 5pm, and Saturday and Sunday from 9am till 5pm

Their launch party is on Friday 3 July from 5pm till 8pm and Latest Homes readers are invited to join them for a glass of wine and to sample some of their food. The market will be

open and each stall will donate 10% of their sales to the Rainbow Fund & Martlets charities. If you can't make it that evening, stalls will still be donating on purchases made that weekend from Friday 3rd of July 8am till Sunday 5th of July 5pm. A fantastic way to treat yourself at the same time as helping two great causes!

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