



Orlando Loses Two MICHELIN Stars, No New Awards Given

Description

The MICHELIN Guide has revealed its 2026 Florida recommendations, marking its first comprehensive coverage of the entire state. Six new restaurants have made the list, including 1921 Mount Dora, Smoke & Donuts, June, Kappo Tsan, Osteria Ester, and Sparrow.

Most one-star establishments in Orlando have retained their status, such as Camille, Kadence, Ômo by Jônt, Soseki, and Victoria & Albert's. However, Capa at the Four Seasons Resort Orlando and Papa Llama have lost their stars, now listed as general recommendations. Central Florida did not see any new stars awarded this year.

Jason Chin, co-owner of Good Salt Restaurant Group, expressed excitement as two of his restaurants, Osteria Ester and Sparrow, gained recognition. He noted the significance of this honour after years of hoping for MICHELIN acclaim. Chin emphasised the hard work of his teams and the pride they should feel in their achievements.

Instead of hosting a traditional event, the announcements were made via a livestream on the MICHELIN Guide's YouTube channel. This approach reflects the guide's global reach of over 7 million followers. The livestream was hosted by MICHELIN representatives in Paris, showcasing restaurants from across Florida.

Other notable mentions include the recognition of Omo by Jônt's Juan Valencia, who received the Michelin Sommelier Award. Additionally, the Green Star was retained by Kaya, highlighting its commitment to sustainability. As for the future, inspectors will share notes about the restaurants on the MICHELIN website and application, offering insights into their evaluations.

Vocabulary List:

1. **comprehensive** //,kəmprɪ'hensɪv// (adjective): including all parts; complete or full
2. **retained** //rɪ'teɪnd// (verb): kept the same position or status
3. **livestream** //'laɪv,stri:m// (noun): a live video shown online to many people
4. **sustainability** //sə,steɪnə'bɪləti// (noun): protecting natural resources for the future
5. **inspectors** //ɪn'spektərz// (noun): people who check and judge quality
6. **recommendations** //,rekəmen'deɪʃənz// (noun): official suggestions or lists of good choices

Comprehension Questions



Multiple Choice

1. What year did the MICHELIN Guide reveal its Florida recommendations?
Option: 2024
Option: 2025
Option: 2026
Option: 2027
2. Which restaurant lost its star in this year's recommendations?
Option: Camille
Option: Capa
Option: Kadence
Option: Osteria Ester
3. How many new restaurants were added to the MICHELIN Guide for Florida?
Option: Four
Option: Five
Option: Six
Option: Seven
4. Who is the co-owner of the Good Salt Restaurant Group?
Option: Juan Valencia
Option: Jason Chin
Option: Omo by Jônt
Option: Victoria
5. What platform was used to announce the MICHELIN Guide recommendations?
Option: Facebook
Option: Instagram
Option: YouTube
Option: Twitter
6. Which restaurant received the Michelin Sommelier Award?
Option: Osteria Ester
Option: Omo by Jônt
Option: Kaya
Option: Soseki



True-False

7. The MICHELIN Guide has never covered the entire state of Florida before 2026.
8. Central Florida saw new stars awarded this year.
9. Jason Chin felt unhappy about the recognition given to his restaurants.
10. The announcements were made through a traditional event.
11. The Green Star was awarded to Kaya for its commitment to sustainability.
12. The livestream for the MICHELIN Guide was hosted by representatives in New York.

Gap-Fill

13. The MICHELIN Guide's 2026 Florida recommendations include six new restaurants, such as 1921 Mount Dora and _____.
14. Most one-star establishments in Orlando have _____ their status.
15. Capa and Papa Llama have _____ their stars this year.
16. Jason Chin expressed excitement as two of his restaurants _____ recognition.
17. The announcements were made via a _____ on the MICHELIN Guide's YouTube channel.
18. The guide has a global reach of over _____ followers.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. 2026 2. Capa 3. Six 4. Jason Chin 5. YouTube 6. Omo by Jônt

True-False: 7. True 8. False 9. False 10. False 11. True 12. False

Gap-Fill: 13. Smoke & Donuts 14. retained 15. lost 16. gained 17. livestream 18. 7 million

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