

#### The new Café NIL

A Symbiosis between Permanence & Renewal

With the new Café NIL, we aspire to create an *intercultural composition* that bridges and blends different cultures, much like the majestic Nile. Just as the Nile gracefully traverses *diverse lands and cultures*, uniting them in its embrace, our kitchen serves as an *element of connection*.

The recipes that grace our menu are the inspired creations of Salwa Ghobrial, a talented culinary maestro hailing from the heartland of Egypt. Drawing from the rich culinary heritage of southern Egypt, she intertwines these traditional flavors with Middle Eastern recipes and Mediterranean influences, resulting in a vibrant *Oriental-Levantine-Mediterranean* symphony of taste.

Our menu speaks therefore a language of *cultural exchange*, where Egyptian specialties take center stage while paying homage to the culinary traditions of Lebanon, Syria, Sudan, Persia, Morocco, Palestine, Yemen, and the Mediterranean. Café NIL's *hybrid identity* emerges from the intermingling of these diverse cultures. Together, let us shape and celebrate this harmonious connection on a daily basis!

At the core of our passionate craftsmanship lie the foundations of quality and freshness. Beginning with the ethereal aroma of freshly baked bread, we meticulously select seasonal ingredients, crafting each dish with love and care. To the best of our ability, we incorporate ingredients sourced from organic farming. Organic olive oil, unadulterated sea salt flakes, farm-fresh vegetables, and organic beef have become integral elements in many of our delectable creations.

With unwavering dedication, we strive to pamper all your senses and provide you with a unique NIL experience. We eagerly anticipate your feedback and suggestions, for it is through collaboration and the pursuit of perpetual refinement that our collective journey shall thrive.

The Café NIL team works tirelessly to indulge you in culinary delights, aiming to create an unforgettable experience. We look forward to your visit and the opportunity to serve you with passion and joy.

warmest regards, yours Café NIL Team



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#### **MEZE**

Hummus Plate (N,A)
Hummus Trio
<b>Muhammara</b> (Red Pepper-Walnut Dip)
Smashed Baba Ghanoush
Eggplant Salad (A)
<b>Falafel</b>
Grape leaves veg
<b>Grape leaves</b> (with organic ground beef)
<b>Labneh</b>
Fromage Tomate
Smashed Sweet Pepper

	Moroccan Cigars
	roasted almonds, onions, parsley (A, H, N, L) <b>Moroccan Cigars</b> veg
	Flaneur
)     	Avocadotatar
	Beetroot Tatar
	Crispy Feta
	PLANT BASED
	NIL Salad Bag
	Fried Chicken Salad Bag
	vinegar,vegan jalapeño mayo, pita bread (A, N, C, D) <b>Taboulé</b>
	Burrata (A.G)
	PLANT BASED
	<b>Sweet potato in the oven</b>
	Levantine Moussaaka14,90
	Eggplant, tomato sauce, onions, jalapeño, hummus, tahina, organic olive oil, pita bread (L,N,A)

Vegetable Stew with Okra (L, N)tomato sauce, shallots, cherry tomato, jalapenñ coriander, garlic, organic olive oil, NIL rice (L)	14,90 o,
with slow-cooked veal	+5,00
Aubergine Rôtie	uce,
NIL Blume* *cauliflower in the oven with organic olive oil & s sea salt flakes, vegan jalapeño mayo	-
Falafel Plate Egyptian fava bean balls, fresh herbs, roasted s seeds, eggplant, tahini, rocket, cherry tomatoes organic olive oil, pita bread (A, N)	sesame

#### MEAT BASED

<b>Crushed Lamb-Beef</b> (NIL Style)
Moroccan Chicken Brochette
Handmade Soleil Levant Kibbeh
<b>Bio-Rind Shawarma</b>
Yeminite Hamshuka (NIL Style)

NIL rice, organic minced beef, tahina, roasted almonds, pita bread (L,A,H,N) - optional hummus instead of rice

chimichuri, tahina (N)

### **SEA BASED**

wild prawns grilled in white wine, lemon parsley marinade, baby rosemary potatoes, tahina, chim (B,N,G,O)	,
Calamari fritti	.18,90
fried calamari, cumin aioli coat, vegan jalapeño i	mayo,
lemon (R, A, G, C)	

#### **SIDES**

Crunchy Friesgolden french fries	4,80
<b>Truffle fries</b> mit Parmesan & Chili Mayo Dip (G,C)	6,50
Grilled vegetablesgrilled vegetable variation: zucchini, eggplant, gre Pepperoni, cherry tomato, sea salt flakes	5,90 een
NIL Rice Egyptian style basmati rice	4,50
<b>Baby rosemary potato.</b> grilled in rosemary and butter with sea salt flakes	•
Pimientos de Padron* con Tahini (N) mini Peppers, organic olive oil, sea salt flakes, tal	

<sup>\*</sup>Pimientos de Padrón are small peppers that grow around the region Padrón in Galicia. The name denotes a typical regional dish prepared from it, which is now spread all over Spain.

### **EXTRAS**

<b>Tahina</b> (N)sesame paste, parsley, garlic, pepperoni, lemon organic olive oil	
Chimichurri*	laurel,
Feta (G)	3,00
Chili-Mayo	2,50
Jalapeño-Mayo vegan	.3,50
Pita Bread (A)	.2,00
Pita Bread (A)  Homemade NIL Harissa  spicy, finely chopped chili peppers, organic olive fresh lemon	2,50
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#### 20012

Cairo style organic red lentil soup	6,90
lime, coriander, cumin, red chili, pita bread (A)	

#### **DESSERT**

Knafeh (vegan)
NIL Cake
NIL Banana Cake (Malak Style)
(optional with peanut sauce)+ 0,50 (A,C,G) (E)

**A** cereals

**B** shellfish

**C** eggs

**D** fish

**E** peanut

**F** soy

**G** milk/lactose

**H** edibleness

**L** celery

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## **DRINKS**

ALCOHOL - FREE	НОТ	APERITIVOS	BEER
Coca Cola 0,33	<b>Espresso</b>	spritzer (Ω)4,50	Beer (A)
zero/classic  Almdudler 0,35	Doppio	aperol prosecco (O)6,80	<b>Schladminger Märzen</b> 0,334,30
apple juice clear3,80	espresso & milk (large) 4,90	aperol spritzer (O)	0,505,30
bio apple juice naturally cloudy 3,80	<b>Melange</b> (G)	hugo original (O)	<b>Starobrno</b> (A) 0,334,30
<b>apple soda</b> 0,3/0,5 3,50/4,50	<b>Cappucino</b> (G)	Oriental Hugo (O)	0,505,30
homemade limonana 0,5 5,50 fresh lime, fresh mint	Latte/Macchiato.(G)4,50	lime juice, soda, prosecco, mint	<b>Bio ZwickI</b> (A) 0,334,50
homemade hubiscus ice tea 0,5 5,50	Flat White (G)	Cleo Rose. (O)	0,505,40
NIL ice tea 0,5 5,50	+oatdrink(Oatly)0,60	Aperol Apricot (O)6,80	Bottle (A)
Vöslauer (mineral water) 0,33/0,75 2,90/6,00	<b>kurkuma Latte</b> (G)4,90	aperol, fresh lemon juice, apricot nectar, soda, prosecco	Gusswerk Edelguss Radler BIO 0,55,00 Wieselburger alcoholfree 0,54,90
sparkling / still soda 0,33/0,502,00 / 4,00	<b>Chaï Latte</b> (G)5,50	grapefruit spritz (O)6,80 martini fiero, fresh grapefruit juice,	
<b>soda</b> 0,333,00 Raspberry/Lemon/Elderberry/Hibiscus	Black Tea with fresh mint	soda, prosecco	
soda 0,5	can/mug4,50 / 3,20 saffron tea6,50	NIL Bird (0)	
orange juice 0,2 3,80	kurkuma chai4,50	iiiio jaioo, taimone, eeda, preeesee	
orange juice soda 0,3/0,53,50/4,50	Mariage Frères4,90		
mango juice 0,2	french tea, varieties: <b>Thé sur le Nil</b> (fruity, lemony green tea)		
<b>Makava</b> 0,33 4,40	Rouge Bourbon (Rooibos tea with a fine vanilla note)		

Earl Grey French Blue (velvety bee balm)

Chaï (imperial spices, black tea)

# WEIN Wine / Champagne / Prosecco

WEISS/WHITE (O)	0,751	1/81	ROT/RED (O)	0,751	1/81	ROSÉ (O)	0,751	1/8l
Grüner Veltliner HUNDSCHUPFEN Hagn	30,00	4,90	Blauer Zweigelt :	30,00	5,30	Hampton Water Strehn, Burgenland	40,00	5,50
Gemischter Satz DAC Bio Zahel, Wien	30,00	5,30	Blaufränkisch Markowitsch	30,00	5,30	<b>Miraval</b> Frankreich - Côtes de Provence	45,00	
<b>Riesling</b> Hagn	34,00	5,30	Cuvée Wiener Trilogie Weingut Wieninger am Nußberg/Wie	34,00 n	5,90			
Sauvignon Blanc Mayer am Pfarrplatz 2021	32,00	5,70	<b>Meriot</b> Gartner	30,00	5,30			
Chardonnay Weingut Wieninger, Wien	34,00	5,90						

Champagner (O)	0,751	Prosecco (O)	0,751	0,11
Perrier-Jouët Grand Brut Frankreich / France	95,00	Casa Gheller Valdobbiadene / Venetia	32,00	4,20

## **COCKTAILS**

**SIGNATURE** 

Casablanca
Earl Grey Fizz
Cardamom Espresso Martini12,50 42 Below Vodka, cinammon-sugar Sirup, homemade cardamom coffee
Cardamom Whiskey Sour12,50 cardamom infused Bulleit Bourbon Whiskey , fresh lemon juice, cardamom honey syrup
Saffron Negroni
<b>Bitter Sweet Symphony</b>
COCKTAIL SHOTS (ab 2 Shots)
Porto Sour4,00 port wine, fresh lemon juice, fresh orange juice, sugar syrup
Cardamom Espresso Martini4,00 42 Below Vodka, cinammon-sugar Sirup, homemade cardamom coffee
Pornstar Martini

#### **CLASSICS**

Americano Campari, red vermouth, soda	11,50
Negroni	
Moscow Mule	-
Pornstar Martini 42 Below Vodka, fresh lime juice, homemac cinnamon syrup, passion fruit	•
<b>Gin Fizz</b> Bombay Citron Pressé, fresh lemon juice, sugar syrup, soda	.12,50
Porto Sour port wine, fresh lemon juice, fresh orange j sugar syrup	
Aperol Sour	,

Vodka Wellness	.11,50
Whiskey Sour	.12,50
Old Fashioned	
Margarita Tequilla Altos Plata, fresh lime juice, Cointreau	.12,50
<b>Daiquiri.</b> Bacardi Rum, fresh lime juice, sugar	12,50
<b>Gin Basil Smash.</b> Bombay Sapphire Gin, fresh lime juice, sugar, fresh basil	12,50
Ernest Hemingway Rum, fresh grapefruit juice, fresh lime juice, Maraschii	

# **Philosophy**

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# C A F É NIL

#### **NIL Philosophy**

Blending Differences.

We would have to go far afield when thinking about the Café NIL. So far that we would be simultaneously confronted with a kind of *socio-cultural anatomy* of the Nile. Pondering about its historical as well as current, cross-cultural *structure*, *function and meaning*. Ultimately, we might be circling around a poetic dimension of the invigorating river in Africa. In the "River of the Gods" we encounter a mysterious entanglement between *myth and truth*. Because it's not only the longest river on earth but it inspires, nourishes, modulates and interweaves different cultures, people, families, societies, desert landscapes, swamplands, cities, countries and civilizations – until it fans out in Egypt to form the Nile Delta while flowing into the Mediterranean Sea. That sea which forms an *organic interface between Orient and Occident* while gradually shaping the coasts, agglomerations and metropolitan areas of the Mediterranean.

Yet the Nile's intercultural, fertile and diverse identity harbors much more. On its shores we discover the alchemy of transmutation from nature to culture and how this gives rise to one of the earliest advenced civilizations. The Nile is decisive for both Egypt's history and for the formation of its present agricultural basis. In the Nile we encounter hence an emblematic and *multi-modal strategy* of interweaving that depicts how *permanence & renewal* can form a *creative symbiosis*.

We would therefore like to maintain the historical identity of the place while simultaneously initiating a *renewal* through the creative power of the scarabaeus. History is not erased but *recontextualized* through the introduction of the New.

Stone meets color and fabric.
Monumentality meets flexibility.
Vintage meets postmodernism.
Orient meets Occident.
Culture meets play.
A new identity gradually emerges.



In the mud of the Nile, its fertility merges with the creative power of the scarab. The liberation and rapid multiplication of this beetle in the nile mud after the nile flood led to the belief that it was born without reproduction, which is why it was considered a symbol of creative power, fortune, and resurrection.

If one were to literally flow along with the Nile, starting from the mountains of Rwanda and Burundi through Tanzania, Uganda, South Sudan, Sudan, and flowing into Egypt, then we would perceive all the cultural differences traversed within the diverse unity of the Nile.

Therefore, the new Café NIL designs its cuisine, analogous to the Nile, as a cross-cultural or intergeographical unity, and thus as an interface between different cultures. The new NIL aims to become an intercultural space. We aspire to offer a hybrid space for encounters and exchanges to people with diverse cultural backgrounds, reflecting their unique diversity.

In fact, this is hence a space for all people, as the analysis of our genes showcase that they carry traces of immigration and mixtures of many different cultures. Therefore, we communicate that culture is an amorphous and dynamic phenomenon that can be approached playfully and experimentally. Every person can feel "at home" in the new NIL.

Inter-cultural cuisines and atmospheres define the fundamental elements of our philosophy and identity. The design of the new NIL represents a *materialization* of this philosophy. Different colors, textures, materials, and design elements are interwoven with a celebratory lighting concept to form a new interior architecture with diverse references. We interpret gastronomy as a culinary celebration of our diverse existence. The presence of many different people completes an incomplete but vibrant painting that flows and merges in continuous creation and re-creation. Cultural boundaries, as well as those between mythology and reality, blur gently.

In addition to our intercultural culinary compositions, we want to provide opportunities for young artists to showcase various aspects of their art in Café NIL. We believe that authentic interculturality is facilitated and amplified through a parallel promotion of contemporary arts, as free artistic expression possesses a boundary-dissolving nature. This enables a colorful coexistence where differences are gently woven into an intercultural fabric. Everything remains in flux.

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We wish you an amazing time!

yours Caté NIL

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