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Dining Among the Stars

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Ever wonder what it was like for the Greek gods to dine so close to heaven? To have the shimmering light of the moon cast before them as they feasted on extravagant epicurean delights. Well, now you have the rare opportunity of feeling such pleasures, as *Casa Velas* will take you up in the air to experience a lavish feast with their *Dinner in the Sky*!

Diners will be mesmerized as they experience a once-in-a-lifetime adventure of dining in the sky. The *Casa Velas* hotel situated in picturesque Puerto Vallarta, Mexico has successfully managed to combine both culinary reverie with a unique bucket list experience.

Dinner in the Sky, which will be offered for the next three years, has been deemed as one of the world's most exhilarating dining experiences. Guests are hoisted by crane to the height of 150ft where they are presented with a perfect bird's eye view of the striking Banderas Bay and Sierra Madre Mountains. And, just to keep things interesting, *Casa Velas*, a AAA Four Diamond luxury adults-only all-inclusive boutique hotel, will be rotating guest chefs every couple of days.

Food lovers will rejoice in knowing that the multicourse gourmet dinner are perfectly executed by some of the top

chefs in Mexico. In fact, for my *Dinner in the Sky* adventure, the guest chef was the well-known and super talented Chef Massimo Fongaro.

The evening started with a few cocktail drinks and the signing of a waiver form. This is a simple formality since every safety precaution has been considered. As the sun was about to set in the mountains, the guests, as well as the chef and his kitchen brigade, were harnessed around the table. Once secured, we were slowly lifted to our dining height which offered us a breath-taking view! And ladies, you can still wear an evening dress.

The exquisite meal consisted of a beautiful

melange of courses: an appetizer consisting of scallops in a raspberry sauce with tomatoes; a delectable rich lobster lasagna; a beef filet with corn polenta served with cambozola sauce and freshly shaved truffles that the Chef was ever so generous with. Our pièce de résistance was the Chef's interpretation of a tropical Tiramisu filled with strawberry and passion fruit. The evening was accentuated by a beautiful display of fireworks lighting up the night sky.

Casa Velas has definitely thought outside the box when it comes to spoiling their guests and providing them with this exclusive culinary adventure. Seats for guests staying at *Casa Velas* (www.hotelcasavelas.com) cost \$50US, and for non-resort guests, the fee is \$170US (pre-order).

If you want to be dazzled and left in awe as you enjoy a fine dining adventure at unprecedented heights, complimented by top-rated hospitality, then I highly recommend *Dinner in the Sky* as part of your relaxing stay at *Casa Velas*.

Disclaimer: At the time of publishing, *Casa Velas* was unable to confirm the exact dates for the *Dinner In The Sky* event in 2018. They did, however, give us absolute confirmation that there would be a 2018 event. Check their website often for updates.

