Those '50 best' restaurants

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This is not a great night for eating out in famous restaurants around the world. An extraordinary proportion of their chefs and managers will have converged on London for what is effectively an international get-together and awards ceremony, and those left behind in the kitchen may be a bit distracted anyway.

For what it's worth (not much according to Mr N Lander), the San Pellegrino list of the top 50 restaurants in the world was announced earlier this evening. Nick declined his invitation to The Guildhall in favour of a family dinner at which bitter herbs and hard boiled eggs in salt water were served, but here is this year's list as tweeted by, as far as I can make out, the *San Francisco Chronicle*(!), with movement since last year's list in brackets.

Bear in mind that this list is compiled by local juries of varying merit. Here is Nick's view of the voting process as published on this site in 2007, seconded recently in the *New York Times* here.

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1. Noma, Denmark

2. El Celler De Can Roca, Spain (+2)

3. Mugaritz, Spain (+2)

4. Osteria Francescana, Italy (+2)

5. The Fat Duck, UK (-2)

6. Alinea, USA (+1)

7. D.O.M, Brazil (+11)

8. Arzak, Spain (+1)

9. Le Chateaubriand, France (+2)

10. Per Se, USA

11. Daniel, USA (-3)

12. Les Creations de Narisawa, Japan (+12)

13. L'Astrance, France (+3)

14. L'Atelier de Joel Robuchon Paris, France (+15)

15. Hof van Cleve, Belgium (+2)

16. Pierre Gagnaire, France (-3)

17. Oud Sluis, Netherlands (+2)

18. Le Bernardin, USA (-3)

19. L'Arpège, France

20. Nihonryori RyuGin, Japan (+28)

21. Vendôme, Germany (+1)

22. Steirereck, Austria (-1)

23. Schloss Schauenstein, Switzerland (+7)

24. Eleven Madison Park, USA (+26)

25. Aqua, Germany (+9)

26. Quay, Australia

27. Iggy's, Singapore (+1)

28. Combal Zero, Italy (+7)

29. Martin Berasategui, Spain (+4)

30. Bras, France

31. Biko, Mexico (+15)

32. Le Calandre, Italy (-12)

33. Cracco, Italy

34. The Ledbury, UK (new)

35. Chez Dominique, Finland (-12)

36. Le Quartier Français, South Africa (-5)

37. Amber, China (new)

38. Dal Pescatore, Italy (-2)

39. Il Canto, Italy (+1)

40. Momofuku Ssam Bar, USA (-14)

41. St John, UK (+2)

42. Astrid Y Gaston, Peru (new)

43. Hibiscus, UK (+6)

44. La Maison Troisgros, France

45. Alain Ducasse Au Plaza Athenée, France (-4)

46. De Librije, Netherlands (-9)

47. Restaurant de l'Hôtel De Ville, Switzerland (-33)

48. Varvary, Russia (new)

49. Pujol, Mexico (new)

50. Asador Etxebarri, Spain
51 Quique Dacosta, Spain
52 Mathias Dahlgren,Sweden
53 Attica, Australia
54 De Karmeliet, Belgium
55 Les Amis, Singapore
56 The French Laundry, USA
57 Frantzen/Lindeberg
58 Tetsuya's, Australia
59 Fasano, Brazil
60 Hakkasan, UK
61 Rust en Vrede, South Africa
62 Jean Georges, USA
63 Oaxen Krog, Sweden
64 Bo Innovation, Hong Kong
65 Momofuku Ko, USA
66 Zuma, UK
67 Maison Pic, France
68 Mirazur, France
69 Manresa, USA
70 Marque, Australia
71 Fäviken, Sweden
72 L'Atelier de Joël Robuchon, Hong Kong
73 Die Schwarzwaldstube, Germany
74 Mani, Brazil
75 Coi, USA
76 Caprice, Hong Kong
77 Nahm, UK
78 La Grenouillère, France
79 Vila Joya, Portugal
80 Tantris, Germany
81 WD~50, USA
82 La Colombe, South Africa
83 Semifreddo, Russia
84 Le Gavroche, UK
85 The Bazaar, USA
86 La Pergola, Italy
87 Malabar, Peru
88 Gäste Haus Klaus Erfort, Germany
89 Bar Boulud, England
90 Kitcho Arashiyama, Japan
91 Blue Hill at Stone Barns, USA
92 Wasabi, India
93 Sant Pau, Spain
94 Akelare, Spain
95 Masa, USA
96 Marcus Wareing at The Berkeley, UK
97 Le Meurice, France
98 L'Arnsbourg, France
99 Chaika, Moscow

100 Andre, Singapore