

Job Title	Junior Sous Chef
Department	Visitor Attraction Kitchen
Approximate	15
Department Size	
Reports to	Executive Head Chef
Direct Reports	NA
Working hours and	Normal times 8am – 5:30pm
pattern	45 Hours per week split over 5 days, including weekends and bank holidays. Ad hoc evening.
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Purpose of this role

To produce high-quality, seasonal dishes across multiple food & beverage outlets within The Newt's Visitor Attraction, supporting menu development and daily operations while upholding exemplary standards of food safety, consistency, and guest experience. The role contributes to a diverse offer ranging from pastries and salads to Roman-inspired street food, aligned to produce grown on the estate.

Responsibilities

Culinary Production & Standards

- Prepare and deliver high-quality dishes appropriate to each outlet; uphold The Newt's culinary style and ethos at all times.
- Maintain food hygiene and kitchen cleanliness to the highest standards, complying with all procedures and audits.

Menu Development

• Contribute creatively to seasonal menu development, drawing inspiration from estategrown produce and adapting offers per venue.

Operational Leadership

• Lead sections and run the kitchen/venue in the Senior Sous Chef's absence to ensure smooth service and consistent quality.

People & Culture

• Support the Executive Head Chef with team development; guide and develop junior chefs, modelling professional standards.

Stakeholder & Brand Representation

• Manage up and down to maintain superb product quality and protect the Visitor Attraction's reputation; represent the company impeccably.

Collaboration

• Work as an integral member of the wider estate culinary team, contributing to The Newt's evolving culinary landscape.



Characteristics needed for this role

- Calm under pressure, able to work efficiently in front of guests.
- Confident communicator, team-oriented.
- Excellent attention to detail and time management.
- Self-motivated, reliable, and consistent.

Characteristics desired for this role

- Passionate about luxury hospitality and delivering memorable guest experiences.
- Creative flair with food presentation and menu ideas.

Skills and experience needed for this role

- Proven experience as a Junior Sous Chef or strong Chef de Partie in a quality-driven, high volume, seasonal kitchen.
- Strong leadership and section management skills.
- Knowledge of HACCP, allergens, and kitchen safety standards.

Skills and experience desired for this role

- Experience working in an open-kitchen environment with direct guest interaction.
- Background in multi-outlet or destination hospitality settings

Qualifications needed for this role

- Food Safety Level 2 (minimum).
- Allergen awareness training (or willingness to complete).

Qualifications desired for this role

- Advanced Food Safety (Level 3).
- Health & Safety certification relevant to kitchens.

What systems will be used in this role?

- HACCP and Food Safety record-keeping systems.
- Health & Safety reporting systems.

Department Description

The Visitor Attraction Kitchen produces delicious pastries, fresh salads and warming braises for the Cyder Bar – the first F&B offering for our guests and members in the gardens. The Kitchen is also the backbone of our Estate Events. With a full year's worth of events planned out, such as Apple Day and our Summer Socials series, our visitors can dine al-fresco with delicious BBQ'd meat and veg fresh from the Estate.