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The best Indian restaurant in Johannesburg by [Madhu Pillai](#)

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Swad in Melrose Arch near Sandton in Johannesburg, South Africa was voted as the best Indian cuisine restaurant in Gauteng by the Star Reader's Choice awards.

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Swad was also a winner of the 2011 RASA (Restaurant Association of South Africa) Rosetta award for service excellence.

If one wants good "Indian" cuisine in Johannesburg there are a few options. The rule of thumb is that a restaurant that concentrates on dishes from a few regions rather than purveying an Indian menu is the one to look out for. Swad in Melrose Arch near Sandton in Joburg may indeed be where the search ends. Swad as the name suggests, is an Indian restaurant based at Melrose Arch near Sandton offering a culinary voyage of India in an authentic Indian royal setting. At Swad you can savour a contemporary dining experience that's fresh and rich with the traditional flavours of India. The cuisine extends from the temperate flavours of Kashmir in the North to piquant offerings of Kerala in the South, the delicately spiced seafood from the East to the rich flavours of the Punjab. The friendly, hospitable service with style will leave you with ultimate satisfaction. Swad means taste in Sanskrit and the restaurant promises to always live up to its name serving you the best Indian food outside India.

Whether you are planning a birthday party, a company function or a special event Swad could be the ideal location. It is an ideal place with an elegant setting where you are comfortable, yet still feel as though you are somewhere special. Swad can seat up to 180 guests and Melrose Arch provides ample parking.

Swad was set up in 2010 in Melrose Arch to coincide with the influx of visitors for the World Cup and since then has steadily built up a reputation as a restaurant that serves authentic southern and western Indian cuisine along with a few standard "Indian" dishes that the average punter desires.

Madhu Pillai, from the south Indian state of Kerala with business interests in South Africa, Congo and the UAE decided to pursue his dream of setting up an Indian restaurant that was different. He has partnered with Sunil Menon the former chairman of the Inland region of Fedhasa, who has been involved for more than 20 years in the South African hospitality industry.

You can get more information on Swad from their website - www.swad.co.za or by calling them on +27116841007.

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a [Swad restaurant](#) is the top a [Indian restaurant](#) in Melrose Arch situated in Johannesburg near Sandton in South Africa.

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