



Amer Mame Maki



Balsamico Mame Maki



Gyu Maki - Foie Gras



Hotate Unagi Aburi Sushi



Ichijiku Tori Teriyaki



MAKI

## MAKI BEIRUT: SMOOTH SUCCESSFUL SAILIN'!

Yashamase, to Maki Beirut! It opened in December 2009, with a soft-launching while maintaining a very low profile, which is Maki's trademark opening. Maki does not advertise its openings, but rather, waits to let people discover it on their own, if they haven't already. Because it is becoming a well known brand - and a very trendy one! - in the Middle East, Maki Beirut had a lot of good expectations from people, and it definitely lived up to those yummy standards!

In general, Maki got a lot of media coverage from great and renown magazines. "TimeOut" Beirut, a new, très chic and highly impressive magazine recently featured Maki in its Eat Out section, with its own page! TimeOut is one of the biggest and most popular magazines found around the world, in London, New York, and Beirut! It is an awesome guide to the city and what there is to do. TimeOut writers are known also for their complete honesty and objectivity (yes, they will trash you if you suck and no, you cannot sue them), which makes it very flattering to receive such good media responses from such austere and refined critics who really know their palates.

Renowned AlJazeera and Kuwait Airways both feature Maki in their respective magazines highlighting it as a prioritized dining experience in both Beirut and Kuwait. While the introduction of Maki has been dealt with sceptic looks due to the competitive nature of the restaurant business in Lebanon, once the innocent public grabbed a hold of the Maki bandwagon, it wasn't a case of how long should they hold but how many more can fit in! Forget the English papers, "Le Commerce Du Levant" a french magazine featured around the Middle East, dedicated a page to writing about the founder, Mohamad Zeitoun, as the "contrecourant" and how he was able to achieve his aspirations with Maki!

Now, lets talk about what it is that's getting so much fame (i.e the Maki itself). Going from outside to inside. The location is spectacular, because it easily accessible AND far from traffic (and we all hate traffic). The framing and facade of Maki Beirut is a completely new and improvised idea, and is very catchy. Most people that pass down wonder what on earth these enormous blocks of wood are, or what they have been deliciously cut to say: Maki. The ambience inside this Maki is similar in some aspects to the others, yet largely different. The walls are bare and cold, and the entire thing is full of lights to contrast against the grey backdrop. When walking in, you are always welcomed by a traditional Japanese style greeting - Yashamase! And, best of all, the variety of the menu is there to remain and

amalgamate! With traditional plates such as o-toro sashimi, okura sushis, and sukiyakis, as well as nontraditional and extremely exquisite signature dishes such as our new Beirut Salad, with different herbs and spices, as well as the Ichijikotori teppanyaki, inspired by Lebanese fig birds.

Check out all the Maki's and vote for your favourite one! Tell Maki about why it is your favourite one on their Facebook Maki Restaurants Page! Stay tuned, and find out more about Maki Bahrain new opening soon in the WTC Moda Mall, where people are already lined up waiting to come in!

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Reservation is HIGHLY recommended. Maki is almost every day fully booked

**For Delivery and reservation: web site: [www.olivermaki.com](http://www.olivermaki.com)**

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**Maki Bahrain Opening Soon!**

