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A restaurant fit for The King...

"LOVE me tandoor" could have been the theme for the evening when an Elvis impersonator performed at the opening night of an Indian restaurant in Ware.

But the Temple Bar & Restaurant, in Tudor Square, aims a bit higher than the average, offering "a unique and exciting culinary experience", according to owners Badrul and Shafiqul Haque. And even though film critic-turned-

-food-fancier Barry Norman was among the guests, there was no sign of his own branded pickled onions either.

The *Herald* and other invited guests got a sneak preview of the restaurant's cuisine at the glitzy opening bash on Sunday night.

The eatery's extensive menu features "classic fusion" dishes from India, Bangladesh and Nepal, and has "a fresh contemporary look with rich vibrant

colours and stylish interior design".

It Seats 80 diners in two separate areas, with an "elegant 50-seat conservatory dining area at the front of the restaurant", and a contemporary-style bar which features a piano and water feature which separates it from the restaurant area.

A second dining room with a bar is furnished with deep plum coloured modular seating, wall mirrors and

elegant lighting, with an "intimate feel" seating around 30 people.

The restaurant is part of the successful group of Coriander restaurants in Amersham (Bucks), Buckhurst Hill (Essex), Vauxhall (London) and Westcombe Park (London). The Haque brothers have more than 20 years experience in the restaurant industry.