

Renaat the famous Chef

Major hotels where Renaat worked in France (present names):

- Hôtel Hermitage Monte-Carlo - Monaco
- Hotel Barrière Le Majestic Cannes and Sporting Club of Cannes
- InterContinental Carlton Cannes - Cannes
- Le Cap Estel - Eze Bord de Mer (between Nice and Monaco)

Some of the famous guests served:

- Charles Aznavour - French singer - preferred fish
- Gilbert Bécaud - French singer
- Serge Gainsbourg (sometimes with Brigitte Bardot)
- Michael Jackson (vegetarian)(together with his own cook)
- Charlie Chaplin = loved Italian food like spaghetti
- Catherine Deneuve - special fruit salad among other
- Roger Moore (007!) - chicken breast with Ghent mustard
- Elton John - special carbonara with vodka, onions and caviar (no bacon)
- Ringo Starr - songwriter and actor widely famous as the drummer for the Beatles - special carbonara with truffles (no bacon)
- "Baroness Von Krupps", actually Princess Hetty of Auersperg (1933-2019) - loved champagne and wine, among other and had her private butler
- André Bourvil - French actor and singer best known for his roles in comedy films, most notably in his collaboration with Louis de Funès - during the Cannes Film Festival many movie directors gathered in the Sporting Club of Cannes
- Franck Pourcel - French composer, arranger and conductor of popular music and classical music.
- Yves Montand en Simone Signoret
- Sammy Davis Jr. - American singer - loved buckwheat pancakes with white cheese and salmon
- Jean-Paul Belmondo - Loved steak, wine and champagne, mostly hanging out in the Sporting Club de Cannes, usually privately with his friends
- Annie Cordy, Belgian actress and singer
- Shah of Iran (Mohammad Reza Pahlavi) and family
- Singer Sabrina Salerno - song Boys (Summertime Love)
- Aldo Maccione, actor
- Peter Falk, actor playing police inspector Colombo (died June 2020)
- Rainier III, Prince of Monaco and his wife Grace Kelly, often with daughter Stéphanie ("Princess Stéphanie Marie Elisabeth of Monaco"), who was a good friend of Renaat's daughter
- Princess Antoinette of Monaco, the elder sister of Prince Rainier III

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Renaat Morel is a Belgian national

Education:

Antwerp Cooking University (PIVA - Provinciaal Instituut van Antwerpen)
Major in Hotel Management, Western Food (Hot Dish, Cold Dish, Fish, Meat, Sauce, Pastry, Ice cream and Chocolate)

Working Experiences:

Before coming to China, Mr. Morel has been Executive Chef of five-star hotels in France, Belgium, Switzerland and Holland.

In China:

1989-1991

Beijing Air Catering Company - Production Manager and Executive Chef

1991-1994

Crown Plaza Xiamen Seascape Hotel - Executive Chef

1994-1996

Henan Zhongzhou Crown Plaza Hotel - Executive Chef

1996-1998

Beijing Kunlun Hotel - Executive Chef

1999 – Today

Morel's Restaurant & Café

Social Honors:

Member of Academie Culinaire de France

Monaco Golden Ribbon Chefs Association (one of the most famous 60 Executive Chefs in the world)

Active Member of Auguste Escoffier Association

Member of Les Amis d' Escoffier

Member of European Chefs Association

Member of International White Caps Association

Executive Consultant of Western Food Committee of China Cuisine Association

Executive Consultant of Beijing Western Food Association (Members are F&B Managers and Executive Chefs in Four- or Five-Star Hotels in Beijing)

2002 Executive Consultant of 1st Tianjin Western Food Cultural Festival 2002

2003 Executive Consultant of Beijing Western Food Cultural Festival 2003

1997 appointed Chaîne des Rotisseurs

Important Guests Served:

Cooking for the king of Belgium Boudewijn I; Albert II and Prince Philip and Prince Laurent; the former French president Mitterrand and French president Chirac

the famous English actor and American star Michael Jackson, the actor of 007, Roger Moore.

When Mr. Morel worked as Executive Chef and Production Manager in Beijing Air Catering, he was the first foreign Executive Chef who was responsible for food provided to private plane taken by Chinese President Jiang Zemin and Prime Minister Zhu Rongji.

Morel's Restaurant & Café has received the Prime Minister of Belgium, ministers and mayors from more than 20 countries, and many celebrities. Dishes and service have earned high praise and recognition.

Mr. Morel has been interviewed by many kinds of media, TV, magazines and French, Belgian, European Broadcasting Station and TV Stations.

Background information

Titles



Princess Hetty of Auersperg (1933-2019)

In December 1968, it was announced from Munich that Princess Henriette of Auersperg was engaged to Arndt von Bohlen und Halbach, who was considered West Germany's most eligible bachelor as the heir to the Krupp arms dynasty. Four years younger than his betrothed, Arndt had been born on 24 January 1938 at Berlin as the only child of Alfried Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach (1907-1967) and Anneliese Bahr (1909-1998).

Aged forty-eight, Arndt died on 8 May 1986 in a private hospital in Munich. Arndt and Hetty never had children. A widow at fifty-two, Hetty never remarried.

Princess Antoinette of Monaco, Baroness of Massy, the elder sister of Prince Rainier III. She hatched a plan to depose her brother Rainier III, Prince of Monaco, and declare herself regent on the basis of having a son who would one day inherit the throne. Rainier's marriage to Grace Kelly in 1956 and the arrival of his heirs, Princess Caroline in 1957 and Prince Albert in 1958, effectively scuttled Antoinette's plans. She was removed from the Palace by her sister-in-law, Princess Grace, and thereafter was estranged from the princely family for many years. She was known to be somewhat eccentric and was described as "completely mad" by her servants. Having been banished from Monaco in the late 1950s, she lived down the coast from Monaco at Èze, with a large collection of dogs and cats.

Annie Cordy

Léonie Juliana, Baroness Cooreman (16 June 1928 – 4 September 2020), also known by her stage name Annie Cordy, was a Belgian actress and singer. She appeared in more than 50 films from 1954 and staged many memorable appearances at Bruno Coquatrix' famous Paris Olympia. She was born in Laeken, Belgium, where in 2004, King Albert II of Belgium bestowed upon her the title of Baroness in recognition for her life's achievements.

Artistic director of Le Lido encouraged her to leave Brussels, her hometown, and Annie Cordy arrived in Paris on 1 May 1950, to be hired as a lead dancer.

In July 2018, for her 90th birthday, she was the guest of honour of the Ommegang of Brussels. A couple of days after this event, on 8 August, the park next to the train station in Laeken, the city where she was born, was named after her.

On 4 September 2020, Cordy suffered cardiac arrest at her home in Vallauris, France, where she lived with her niece

Hotel Le Cap Estel



Boys (Summertime Love) - Song by Sabrina Salerno - 1987

The video clip was shot in part in the swimming pool area of Hotel Cap Estel, Renaat was present during the shooting.

