

Hotly Spiced

Fred Segal Mauro Cafe, Los Angeles



Fred Segal is an iconic and upmarket smaller-scaled department store selling designer clothes, handbags and cosmetics. Part of Fred Segal is Mauro Cafe that serves Italian cuisine and is trendy, upmarket, elegant and known for its celebrity sightings. A bonus feature is that there's a private parking lot taking away the stress of struggling to find a park.

We were offered the wine list and ordered two glasses of Cotes de Provence, Whispering Angel. Whispering Angel is made by Brad and Angelina at their winery in France. The wine is a rose in the palest hue of pink that's clean and crisp and served very chilled, is a perfect summer's wine.

I ordered the Penne Con Porcini which was porcini mushrooms with a sherry wine cream sauce. This was beautifully rich, very glossy and with strong cheese and porcini mushroom flavours. It was a struggle to finish but I managed it.



Verdict: An oasis

[Fred Segal Mauro Cafe](#) is in Beverly Grove which is a very beautiful part of LA set back from the ugly main roads. It is an upmarket and trendy cafe offering clean, fresh Italian cuisine that uses well-sourced produce. As well as a great dining experience, this is a great place to people-watch.