



Village Pizza Kitchen in Hurstpierpoint named as Britain's Best Independent Pizza Delivery

A pizza takeaway in Hurstpierpoint, West Sussex, was named as Britain's best Independent Pizza Delivery Store at the annual PAPA Industry Awards held last week at the Royal Lancaster Hotel London.

Village Pizza Kitchen, a beloved independent pizzeria dedicated to showcasing amazing British produce and supporting local producers, is delighted to announce its prestigious victory in the Independent Pizza Delivery Award category at the 2023 <u>PAPA Industry</u> <u>Awards</u>. This coveted accolade is a testament to Village Pizza Kitchen's unwavering commitment to providing exceptional quality and service to its valued customers.

The Pizza, Pasta & Italian Food Industry Awards, held annually, recognizes excellence and innovation within the Italian food industry, with a specific focus on pizza and pasta cuisine. Winning the Independent Pizza Delivery Award this year solidifies Village Pizza Kitchen's position as a standout player in the independent pizza delivery sector.

Village Pizza Kitchen's menu boasts an array of mouthwatering pizzas, using some of the best of British produce - much of which is sourced locally in Sussex. Its commitment to quality, combined with efficient and timely delivery, ensures that customers receive a pizza experience that surpasses their expectations.

"We are overjoyed to receive the Independent Pizza Delivery Award at the PAPA Industry Awards 2023," said Jo Malone, owner of Village Pizza Kitchen. "This recognition is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our entire team. We've always strived to provide the best pizza takeaway and delivery experience, and this award validates our efforts."

Jim Winship, director, of The Pizza, Pasta & Italian Food Association said: "Village Pizza Kitchen has earned this esteemed award through its dedication to delivering delicious pizzas to the doorsteps of its loyal customers.

"The pizzeria's commitment to using the finest British ingredients, ensuring speedy service, and guaranteeing customer satisfaction has resonated with pizza lovers and critics alike, making it a cherished name in the pizza delivery business."

The Independent Pizza Delivery Award at the PAPA Industry Awards 2023 showcases Village Pizza Kitchen's outstanding contributions to the pizza delivery industry and its commitment to using the best of British produce. The pizzeria expresses its heartfelt thanks to its loyal customers and its dedicated team for their continued support.

Jim continued: "With deliveries being one of the few thriving sectors in recent years, these awards celebrate the shining stars of the pizza delivery market. Jo and Village Pizza Kitchen showcase exactly what we look for in this category – it was a no brainer for her to win!"

"The PAPA Awards is always a highlight in the calendar, and it is also a precursor to the annual <u>National Pizza Week</u>, a seven-day celebration aiming to support the industry and celebrate the nation's love of pizza. With all the events at this time of year, some say it's pizza season in the industry. Yet, we like to think that pizza is in season no matter what the time of year!

"We know that independent retailers up and down the country will be getting involved in National Pizza Week, so why not support Village Pizza Kitchen by trying out one of its tasty creations."

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