

## THE POET BEHIND THE POETS HOUSE

### **SYBIL MARSHALL**

In Sybil's 91 years, three distinct careers were enjoyed. Her life was remarkably creative. Her first career was as a Fenland primary school teacher, which began in the early 1930s and ended in 1962.

Sybil's first book was published in 1963 by Cambridge University Press. This was an account of her experience as singlehandedly running a one-room school of 26 children aged between four and eleven. In the same year her Fenland Chronicle, memories of her parents written in their own Fenland dialect. Angus Wilson (English novelist and short story writer) hailed it as "a classic of the rural past".

It is interesting, though, that the 1970 edition for her work contains a cautionary forward. She welcomed what Plowden had to say, of course, but worried, presciently enough, about how the wrong influences could be drawn. Sybil showed what wonderful creative work pupils could produce, given the right stimuli. Her programmes were exhaustively prepared and drew upon her own rich cultural legacy.

She had her own mentor here: Oliver Cromwell, Lord of the Fens who had said "Tis for their good, not what pleases them that counts".

# POETS HOUSE

## HOTEL & RESTAURANT

*Sonnet Lounge & Bar Menu*

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## Morning Selection

Served between 1000—1200 in the Sonnet Bar

### Canadian Pancakes **£7**

Five Canadian pancakes, maple syrup, Norfolk smoked bacon

Norfolk Smoked Bacon, or hand made Gluten free Sausage

Served in a large soft bap **£6**

Add Egg **£1.50**

Add Bacon or Sausage **£2**

Norfolk Smoked Ham and mature Cheese Croissant **£6**

### French Toast **£8**

Mixed fruits, cinnamon, served on sourdough

### Eggs Royale (gfa) **£8**

Gently poached hen eggs, smoked Scottish salmon and creamy hollandaise sauce on a split toasted muffin

### Eggs Benedict (gfa) **£8**

Honey roast ham, gently poached hen eggs, creamy hollandaise sauce on a split toasted muffin

### Smashed Avocado (v) (gfa) **£7**

Served on toasted Granary bread or Sourdough.

Add Marinated Greek Feta or Poached Egg **£1.50**

## Tea, Coffee & Specialities

Espresso	<b>£3.20</b>	Americano	<b>£3.20</b>
Cappuccino/Flat White/Latte	<b>£3.50</b>	Mocha	<b>£3.60</b>
Hot chocolate	<b>£3.60</b>		
Original, Dark and White			
Tea	<b>£3.00</b>		
English Breakfast, Decaffeinated Breakfast, Earl Grey, Peppermint, Lap Sang, Chamomile, forest Fruits, Lemon & Ginger, Green, Jasmine Pearl			
Liqueur Coffee	<b>£9.00</b>		
Irish Coffee, Baileys Coffee, Kahlua Coffee, Frangelico Coffee			
Alcoholic Hot Chocolate	<b>£9.00</b>		
Baileys, Rum, Whisky, Vodka, Drambuie, Kahlua			
Marshmallows	<b>£0.50</b>	Cream	<b>£0.50</b>

Flavours Available: **£0.30**  
Vanilla, Hazelnut, Chocolate, Gingerbread, Irish, Amaretto, Pumpkin spice, Cinnamon, Ginger

Ask about  
our cake of  
the day!

V=Vegetarian, VA=Vegetarian Available, VG=Vegan, VGA =Vegan Available, GF=Gluten Free, GFA= Gluten Free Available. Please notify us in advance if you have any dietary intolerances or allergies we should be aware of. Due to our processes we CANNOT 100% guarantee allergen free ingredients or environment. We do our best to remove shot and bones from game & fish, there may however be a small possibility that some remain.

## Liqueurs

	50ml		50ml
Disaronno Amaretto - 28%	£5.90	Cointreau - 40%	£6.10
Baileys Irish Cream - 17%	£5.90	Limoncello - 27%	£6.60
Chambord - 16.5%	£7.00	Hpnotiq - 17%	£6.10
Drambuie - 40%	£7.20	Mozart - 15%	£7.70
Grand Marnier - 40%	£8.60	Frangelico - 20%	£6.70
Kahlua - 16%	£6.10	Licor 43 - 20%	£5.50
Midori Melon - 20%	£4.50		

## Soft Drinks

Coca Cola	£3.50	Fever Tree Tonic Water	£3.70
Diet Coca Cola	£3.00	Fever Tree Aromatic Tonic	£3.70
Coca Cola Zero	£3.00	Fever Tree Mediterranean	£3.70
1783 Ginger Ale	£3.00	Fever Tree Elderflower	£3.70
Lemonade	£3.00	Fever Tree Ginger Ale	£3.70
Slim Line Tonic	£3.00	1783 Cucumber Tonic	£3.00
Soda Water	£2.80	1783 Light Tonic Water	£3.00
Fentimans Rose Lemonade	£3.50	1783 Tonic Water	£3.00
Fentimans Ginger Beer	£3.50	Smooth Juice	£2.75
		Orange, apple, cranberry, tomato	
		Pineapple	
	330ml	750ml	
Still Water	£3.00	£5.00	
Sparkling Water	£3.00	£5.00	

## Sandwiches

Served between 1200-1700

Served on white, or granary bread —gluten free available

All served with house dressed leaves and crisps

Healthy and Happy **£7.50**

Greek Feta cheese with mixed salad and red pesto

Seafood Sandwich **£8.50**

Warm Tiger prawns and Crab sticks, marinated in a seafood dressing with gem lettuce

Norfolk Ham Roasted Sandwich **£8.50**

Served with Dijon mustard

Chicken Club **£12.00**

Chicken, mayonnaise, smoked bacon, gem lettuce and sliced tomato in a triple deck sandwich

Cheese and Red Onion Chutney Sandwich **£8.00**

Melted Ham and Cheese Panini **£8.50**



## Bar Bites

Battered Calamari **£8.50**

With a small salad and tartare sauce

Ramona's Falafel **£8.00**

With sweet chili sauce and a small salad

Breaded Jalapeno's **£8.00**

With creamy mint mayonnaise and a small salad

Plaice Goujons and French Fries **£8.50**

Mixed in a bowl with a small salad

BBQ Buffalo Wings **£8.00**

Served with bbq sauce and a small salad

Garlic Focaccia **£4.50**

Mixed Olives **£4.50**

## Gin

25ml

209 - 46%	<b>£6.60</b>
Koval Organic - 47%	<b>£9.70</b>
Bombay Sapphire - 40%	<b>£6.60</b>
Whitley Neill Parma Violet - 43%	<b>£7.50</b>
Botanist - 46%	<b>£5.50</b>
Sipsmith - 41.6%	<b>£6.10</b>
Brockmans - 40%	<b>£7.80</b>
Copper Head - 40%	<b>£8.60</b>
Tanqueray No 10 - 47.3%	<b>£7.85</b>
Whitley Neill Rhubarb - 43%	<b>£7.50</b>
Jinzu - 41.30%	<b>£8.50</b>
King of Soho - 42%	<b>£6.10</b>
Whitley Neill Raspberry - 43%	<b>£7.50</b>
Ceder's Classic - 0%	<b>£6.80</b>
Hendrick's - 41.4%	<b>£6.60</b>
Chase Marmalade - 40%	<b>£6.85</b>
Whitley Neill Blood Orange - 43%	<b>£7.50</b>
Puertos Indias Strawberry - 37.5%	<b>£7.50</b>
Mare - 42.7%	<b>£7.50</b>
Chase Grapefruit and Pomello - 40%	<b>£6.85</b>
Ferdinands - 44%	<b>£8.80</b>
Malfy Lemon - 41%	<b>£7.05</b>
Monkey 47 - 47%	<b>£8.80</b>
Plymouth - 41.2%	<b>£6.10</b>
Cambridge Gin - 42%	<b>£7.00</b>

## *Vodka*

	25ml
Grey Goose - 40%	£8.50
Sauvella Absolut Original - 41%	£7.85
Stolichnaya Elit - 40%	£9.00
Absolut - 40%	£5.00
Zubrowka - 37.5%	£6.20
Chase - 40%	£7.20
Potato, marmalade, oak smoked, rhubarb	

## *Tequila*

	25ml
Olmecca - 35%	£5.00
Don Julio Reposado - 38%	£6.00
Don Julio Blanca - 38%	£8.10
Patron Silver - 40%	£7.60
Patron Gold - 40%	£9.20

## *Vermouth & Aperitif*

	50ml
Pernod Pastis - 40%	£5.35
Fernet Branca Menta - 39%	£5.50
Pimm's No. 1 - 25%	£5.30
Martini - 15%	£5.35
Cocchi - 16%	£6.45
Lyre's Italian Orange - 0%	£5.00
Campari - 25%	£5.35
Aperol - 11%	£5.00
Southern Comfort - 35%	£4.50

## Nibbles

Rosemary and Garlic Butter Focaccia Bread **£6.50**

Marinated Savori Greek Olives (v)(vg)(gf) **£4.50**

Crisps **£2.50**

Hummus, Olives and Flatbreads (Sharing Platter) **£9.50**



# Drinks Menu

## *In House Cocktails*

The Apple Cobbler	£12.40
Bourbon, lillet blanc, apple juice, lime juice, egg white	
Haymaker	£11.40
Bourbon, Cointreau, sweet vermouth, lime juice, sugar syrup	
The Humble Magnificent	£11.40
Brandy, pimms, angostura, mint, orange cinnamon syrup, soda water	
Hemingway	£14.40
Absinthe, champagne, lime juice, sugar syrup	
Autumn Punch	£12.40
Vodka, passion fruit puree, apple juice, egg white	

## *Tiki Cocktails*

Tiki Monastery	£13.40
Chartreuse, dom Benedictine, lime juice, pineapple juice, peach liqueur	
The Smokey Tiki	£13.40
Scotch whisky, passion fruit liqueur, lemon juice, pineapple juice, orange juice angostura	
Tiki Last Word Mule	£13.40
Gin, chartreuse, luxardo, lemon juice, ginger beer	
Tiki Jungle Walk	£13.40
White rum, black rum, berry liqueur, lime juice, cranberry juice	

## *Armagnac*

25ml

Baron de Signonac 10 years - 40%	£7.60
Chateau de Laubade XO - 40%	£7.90
Chateau de Laubade VSOP - 40%	£6.40
Chateau de Laubade - 42%	£7.50

## *Brandy & Cognac*

Papidoux - 40%	£6.60
Courvoisier VSOP - 40%	£6.00
Hennessy XO - 40%	£16.50
Hennessy VS - 40	£5.40
Francois Voyer XO - 40%	£16.30
Courvoisier XO Imperial - 40%	£9.10

## *Rum*

Gosling Black Seal - 40%	£5.30
El Dorado 15 years - 43%	£7.60
Plantation 3* - 41.2%	£6.60
Kraken - 40%	£5.30
Plantation 5* - 40%	£8.00
Captain Morgan Dark - 40%	£5.00
Koko Kanu - 37.5%	£4.85
Captain Morgan White - 37.5%	£5.00
Ron Zacapa - 40%	£8.40
Diplomatico - 40%	£6.20



## Whisky

25ml

Oban 14 years old - 43%	£7.40
Jack Daniel's Single Barrel - 45%	£7.30
Jura Superstition - 40%	£9.95
Monkey Shoulder - 40%	£7.70
Auchentosham - 40%	£7.40
Jameson - 40%	£5.50
Glenkinchie - 43%	£6.65
The English - 46%	£7.40
Yamazaki 12 years old - 43%	£17.30
Jura Origin 10 years old - 40%	£6.60
Hibiki - 43%	£9.80
Knob Creek - 43%	£9.95
Cragganmore 12 years old - 40%	£6.95
Macallan Gold 12 years old - 40%	£10.60
Koval Organic - 43%	£9.25
Glenmorangie 10 years old - 40%	£11.90
Haig Club - 40%	£6.10
Glenlivet 12 years old - 40%	£6.95
Makers Mark - 45%	£5.00
Ardberg 10 years old - 46%	£8.70
Laphroig 10 years old - 40%	£7.30
Woodford Reserve - 43.20%	£9.10
The Norfolk - 20%	£9.30
Glenfiddich - 40%	£5.80
Johnny Walker Black 12 years old - 40%	£6.60

## Classic Cocktails

Negroni	£12.40
Gin, Campari, sweet vermouth	
Boulevardier	£12.40
Bourbon, Campari, sweet vermouth, flamed orange	
Jungle Bird	£13.40
Dark rum, Campari, pineapple juice, lime juice	
Lynchburg Lemonade	£13.40
Jack Daniel's, triple sec, lemon juice, lemonade	
Japanese Slipper	£12.35
Midori, triple sec, lemon juice	
Monkey Gland	£13.40
Gin, absinthe, grenadine, orange juice	
Long Island Iced Tea	£13.40
Vodka, rum, tequila, gin, triple sec, lemon juice, sugar syrup, coke	
Moscow Mule	£13.40
Vodka, lime wedges, sugar syrup, ginger beer	
Cosmopolitan	£12.40
Citrus vodka, cranberry juice, triple sec, lime juice, flamed orange	
Old Fashioned	£12.40
Whiskey, bitters, brown sugar & orange	
Tequila Sunrise	£12.40
Tequila, orange juice, grenadine	
Secret Garden No. 3	£11.35
Gin, lime, elderflower, cucumber, raspberries, sugar syrup, rhubarb bitter	

### Cocktail Masterclass

Become a master of mixology and get your cocktail on with one of our cocktail masterclass packages.

Prices start at £35 per person. Please ask a member of our team for details.

## Sparkling

Kir Royal	£14.45
Crème de cassis, champagne	
Fruit Cup	£12.40
Elderflower syrup, lillet blanc, prosecco	
French 75	£14.40
Gin, lemon juice, sugar syrup, champagne	
Lychee Bellini	£12.40
Lychee puree, peach puree, prosecco	

## Martini

Pineapple and Cardamon	£13.40
Vodka, pineapple juice, sugar syrup, cardamom seeds	
Apple	£13.40
Apple gin, triple sec, apple juice, appletizer	
Espresso	£13.40
Vodka, coffee liqueur, Irish cream liqueur, sugar syrup, espresso coffee	
Pornstar	£13.40
Vanilla vodka, passion fruit liqueur, passion fruit puree, pineapple juice, lime shot of prosecco	
Mexican Martini	£13.40
Tequila, soda, orange liqueur, lime juice, orange juice, olive juice	
Cottontail Martini	£13.40
Vodka, coconut rum, cream of coconut, pineapple juice	
Classic Martini	£14.45
Gin or vodka, dry or wet, olive or twist	

## Sharing Cocktails

Tequila Sunrise	£39.00
Tequila, orange juice, grenadine	
Strawberry Margarita	£39.00
Tequila, lime juice, triple sec, fresh strawberries	
Long Island Iced Tea	£39.00
Vodka, rum, tequila, Cointreau, gin, sugar, lime, coke zero	
Mojito	£38.10
Rum, lime juice, sugar, limes, soda, mint	

## Non-Alcoholic

Shirley Temple	£8.35
Ginger ale, grenadine syrup	
Virgin Mary	£8.25
Tomato juice, lime, salt, pepper, tabasco, Worcestershire sauce	
Virgin Mojito	£8.25
Mint, lime juice, sugar syrup, soda water	
Galaxy	£8.25
Butterfly pea powder, lemonade, pineapple juice	

## Draught Beers Pint/Half Pint

Camden Town 4.0%	£6.50 / £3.25
Mahou 5.1%	£6.00 / £3.00
Encore Pale Ale 3.8%	£6.00 / £3.00
Peroni 5.5%	£6.50 / £3.25

## Bottled Beers

Budwiser 5.0%	£5.70	Old Mout Fruit Cider 500ml	£7.10
Guinness Original 4.2%	£6.00	Curious cider 330ml	£7.50
Meantime London Lager 4.3%	£6.60	Asahi 5.1%	£6.00
Corona 4.6%	£6.00	Ginger Beer 4.0%	£7.00
Peroni Gluten Free 5%	£6.30	Corona 0%	£5.50