

# ELLA BRENNAN & TI ADELAIDE MARTIN

# Commander's Palace



Below are answers to a Proust questionnaire provided by both Ti Adelaide Martin, co-proprietor of Commander's Palace, and Ella Brennan.

# What is your idea of perfect happiness?

Ella: You mean after world peace...to be slim and gorgeous. Ti: Having a long conversation with a young ambitious person and watching an "aha" moment when they grasp what they are really capable of. But a close tie would be eating a hogshead cheese po-boy at SoBou with a Swamp Dickel Pop.

# What do you regard as the lowest depth of misery?

Ella: Not being able to live in New Orleans. Ti: Being in a hotel without a bar...

# Which living person do you most admire?

Ella: Dottie Brennan.

Ti: My mom, Ella Brennan, my Aunt, Dottie Brennan, and my best friend, Helen Siegel, because for each of them, their first thought is always about others before themselves.

# What do you consider the most overrated virtue?

Ella: People that are so holy they can't relax and have a good time. Ti: Never indulging.

# What or who is the greatest love of your life?

Ella: My big Irish family.

Ti: My great big family...and I have long considered the city of New Orleans as another rabble rousing member of our family.

# When and where were you happiest?

Ella: With a glass of wine at sunset watching the waves crash against the rocks at the Pacific Ocean's edge in California Ti: Mardi Gras day...2006

# Which talent would you most like to have?

Ella: I would love to be able to dance. Since I can't, at parties I sit on a stool and kick my legs up.

Ti: I wish I could play an instrument.

# What is your current state of mind?

Ella: Enjoying my supposed retirement with a great glass of wine... Chateaux Margaux if you have it handy. Ti: Work hard...play hard.



# If you could change one thing about your family, what would it be?

Ella: Families are like fudge – it's so good, except there are a few nuts. Ti: I wish I had a sister...I think.

# What do you consider your greatest achievement?

Ella: Living long enough to enjoy my 2 children in their adulthood by being the oldest living Brennan ever in our family. Ti: That I got somebody to pay me to write a book about cocktails.

# If you could choose what to come back as, what would it be?

Ella: I'm so damn content I would come back as me. Ti: The author of the great American novel.

# What is your motto?

Ella: Eating and drinking and carrying on...
Ti: Life is meant to be lived...not endured.



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# OYSTER & ABSINTHE DOME

# **INGREDIENTS**

2 tsp butter 2 tsp garlic, minced 1 tbsp shallot, brunoise 1 cup bacon, small dice 4 oz Absinthe 1 quart heavy cream Salt to taste

White pepper to taste
1½ cups sliced, cooked
artichokes
20 oysters
1 tbsp tarragon, chopped

Flaky puff pastry, for garnish

# **INSTRUCTIONS**

Place a medium sauce pan on the stove over medium high heat for 2 minutes to warm. Add the butter, garlic, shallots and bacon to the pot and stir for 2 to 3 minutes until garlic is slightly brown and bacon is rendered. Remove the sauce pot from the stove and deglaze with 3 oz of absinthe. Return to the stove and flambé. When flames subside, reduce until the liquid is nearly evaporated and pour in the cream. Bring to a boil (be sure it doesn't boil over). Reduce to the consistency of a thick soup. Add the artichokes and cook for 1 minute.

Add the oysters, tarragon, salt, pepper and final oz of absinthe. Stir to incorporate. As the oysters cook, they will release their liquid, resulting in a thinner consistency. Finally, check the seasoning as oysters from different waters have different levels of natural salt. To serve, divide oysters evenly between 4 appetizer size ramekins. Pour in the sauce and cover each ramekin with a round of flaky puff pastry.

Please enjoy this recipe from Commander's Palace, compliments of



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# **OFFICE LEASES**

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TENANT	BUILDING		SIZE		CR BROKER(S)
Apptitude	336 Lafayette Street (Nev	w Orleans, La.)	1,250	SF	A. Lavin (Tenant Rep)
Bancorp South Insurance Services	Two Lakeway (Metairie,	La.)	1,530	SF	B. Sossaman (Landlord Rep)
Berrigan Litchfield	Place St. Charles (New 0	Orleans, La.)	5,611	SF	Davis (Landlord Rep) / Wren (Tenant Rep)
Booking.com (USA) Inc	One Canal Place (New O	rleans, La.)	3,011	SF	Huseman (Landlord Rep) / Lavin (Tenant Rep)
Burleson LLP	Poydras Center (New Or	leans, La.)	1,519	SF	R. White (Tenant Rep)
C2C Resources LLC	Causeway Plaza II (Meta	irie, La.)	2,076	SF	J. Cohn (Landlord Rep)
Ceco Concrete Construction	3748 N Causeway Blvd (I	Metairie, La.)	5,950	SF	C. Berthelot Lewis (Tenant Rep)
Coats Rose Yale Ryman & Lee APC	One Canal Place (New O	rleans, La.)	11,762	SF	A. Huseman (Landlord Rep)
Downtown Development District	Place St. Charles (New C	Orleans, La.)	7,598	SF	B. Davis (Landlord Rep)
Emerge	1515 Poydras Street (Nev	w Orleans, La.)	1,536	SF	Lavin/Burka/Jacobson (Tenant Reps)
Gizzly Management Group LLC	Three Lakeway (Metairie	e, La.)	1,195	SF	B. Sossaman (Landlord Rep)
Intermarine	One Canal Place (New O	rleans, La.)	8,073	SF	A. Huseman (Landlord Rep)
James Minge & Associates	Energy Centre (New Orle	eans, La.)	2,305	SF	M. Caronne (Landlord Rep)
Joyce Prevost	Oakwood Corporate Cen	ter (Gretna, La.)	982	SF	B. Sossaman (Landlord Rep)
Mississippi Energy Partners	3445 N Causeway Blvd (I	Metairie, La.)	2,147	SF	J. Cohn (Landlord Rep)
Raising Cane's Restaurant LLC	IBM Building (Baton Rou	ge, La.)	1,139	SF	Siegel / White (Landlord Reps)
Ochsner	1400 Poydras Street (New	w Orleans, La.)	115,000	SF	M. Siegel (Landlord Rep)
Pandit Law Firm	One Shell Square (New (	Orleans, La.)	6,163	SF	Sossaman (Landlord Rep) / Davis (Tenant Rep)
Richard Peter Voorhies	Energy Centre (New Orle	eans, La.)	2,543		M. Caronne (Landlord Rep)
Zurich American Insurance Co	One Lakeway (Metairie,	La.)	6,673	SF	B. Sossaman (Landlord Rep)
RETAIL LEASES					
TENANT	LOCATION		SIZE		CR BROKER(S)
Bitterman's Inc.	550 Elmwood Park Blvd (Elmwood, La.)		2,430	SF	K. Adler
Buttermilk Drop Bakery	6220 Elysian Fields (New Orleans, La.)		2,500	SF	C. Berthelot Lewis
CSL Plasma Inc	Westland Shopping Center (Kenner, La.)		10,029	SF	D. Whalen
Dollar General	Village Shops (New Iberia, La.)		7,308	SF	M. Carrone
First Student	Lot C-1 on Andover Street (Jefferson, La.)		60,000	SF	H. Wren
Gunfighter Paintball Pro Shop	Northlake Shopping Center (Mandeville, La.)		2,460	SF	Rabin / Lavin
Hamdallah	4421 Airline Drive (Metai	rie, La.)	12,500	SF	H. Wren
Ink Therapy	Village Shops (New Iberi	a, La.)	700	SF	M. Carrone
Petsmart	Ambassador Town Cente		12,150	SF	L. Rabin
Pizza Hut	905 E St Peter Street (Ne	w Iberia, La.)	2,150	SF	M. Carrone
Sav A Lot	3005 Gerstner Memorial	Blvd (Lake Charles, La.)	15,660	SF	C. Burka
Sieman's	150 Teal Street (St. Rose,		20,399	SF	R. White
Sir Speedy	343 Carondelet Street (N	ew Orleans, La.)	3,000	SF	H. Wren
COMPLETED SALES					
PROPERTY	LOCATION		SIZE		CR BROKER(S)
172 Heritage Parkway	Broussard, Louisiana		13,372	SF	M. Carrone
1513 Sams Avenue	Elmwood, Louisiana		16,000	SF	Wren / Jacobson
4901 Iberville Street	New Orleans, Louisiana		4,348	SF	Jacobson / Burka
Pecanland Mall @ I-20	Monroe, Louisiana		6,000	SF	Adler / Palmer
NEW LISTINGS					
PROPERTY	LOCATION	TYPE	SIZE		CR BROKER(S)
3038 St. Claude Avenue	New Orleans, La.	mixed use retail	2,200	SF	C. Burka

office space for sublease

2,120 SF

C. Berthelot Lewis

Metairie, La.