

The Bridge Restaurant Mountbatten Marina.

There is a yacht haven on the coastal path in Plymouth where The Bridge Restaurant sits alongside WW11 flying-boat hangers. It's on Shaw Way.

We first went to Sutton Harbour for dinner at The Dolphin Brasserie that evening but found its frontage dark - not like the once highly favoured restaurant. A passer-by who also rated The Dolphin's chef highly, told us that a fire had caused its closure. "You'll find a new restaurant with The Dolphin's ethos in the Mountbatten Marina," he said, pointing across the Sutton Harbour. We drove to find The Bridge Restaurant there and, out on a balcony table, looked over the well filled harbour. The harbour master worked on pontoons and men, generally, were messing about in boats.

While waiting for dinner, nibbles at £1.75 for bread, olive oil and balsamic vinegar; £3.00 for olives; Tsasiki and humus with flat-bread, eased our hunger. The menu has unusually creative dishes of a high standard as well as good popular favourites. Prices range from £7.95 - £9.25 for a starter, £9.95 - £23.00 for a main. For menu details, and more, go to www.bridgeatmountbatten.com 01752 403888. If you are looking for a professional dinner in Plymouth, The Bridge Restaurant has a style, standard and ambiance similar to the award-winning Dolphin.