

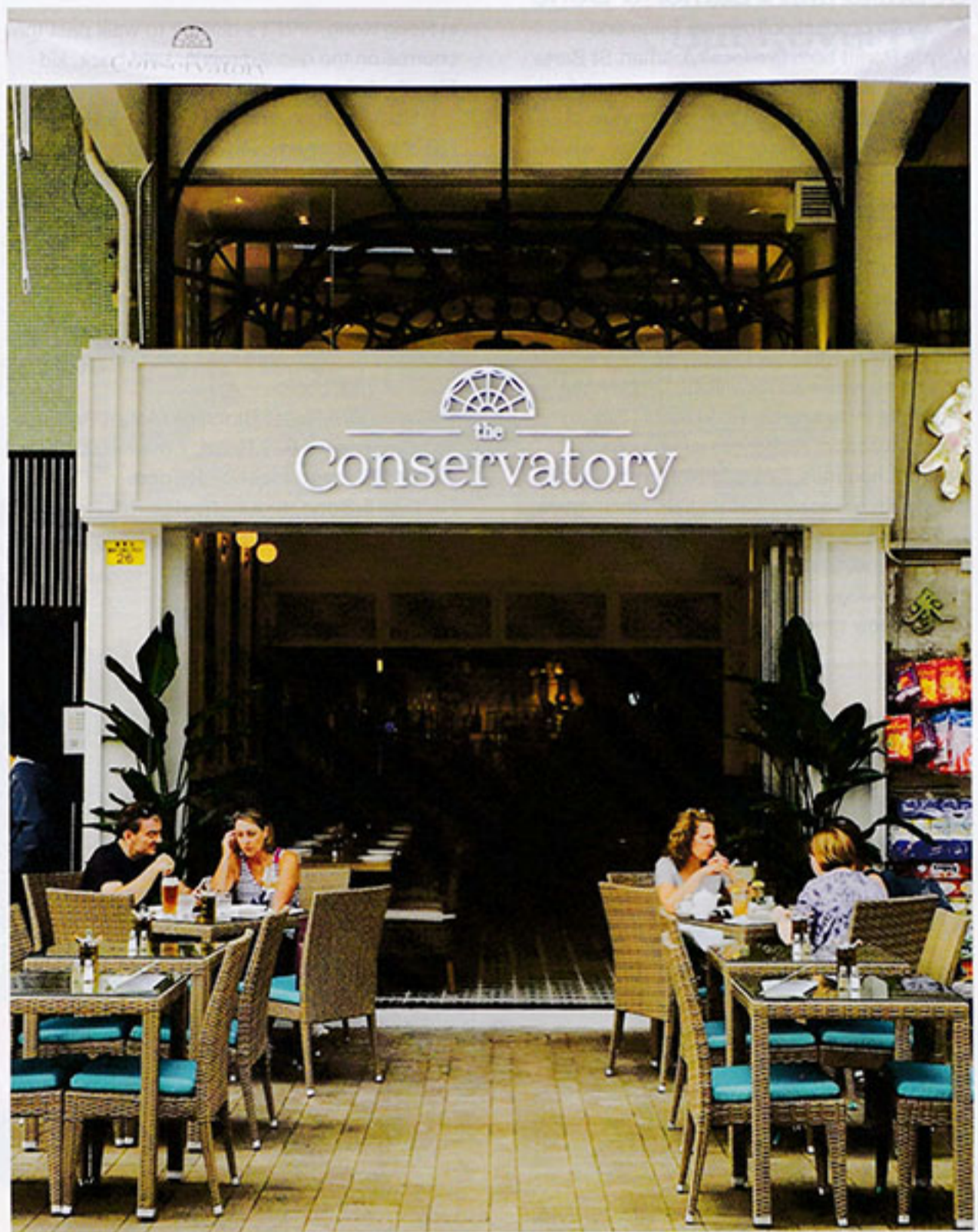
The Conservatory

This smart addition to Sai Kung's popular 'square' opened earlier this year and has been a welcome arrival to the area. It's owned by the Enoteca Group and these guys know their stuff, with established restaurants already plying a fine trade in Quarry Bay and Central (The Phoenix, Iberico, Cicada and Enoteca). The owners, Rob Cooper and Kim Minards, live locally and had been on the look-out for the perfect pad on their own stomping ground for some time. It appears they have found it. Their specialist area is Spanish tapas and they've created a menu groaning with Mediterranean favourites including potatas bravas, calamari, snapper chunks in coconut milk, meatballs and arancini balls - not to mention the fabulous antipasti platters and homemade pizzas. Kids will be wowed with the carefully thought-out tiffin tins - restaurant owner and mum-of-two Kim Minards has successfully translated her own kids likes and dislikes into a well-rounded kids menu.

There's also a varied breakfast menu which also comes with kid-friendly alternatives (the dippy eggs and soldiers are great for tiny tums), as well as a variety of wine-friendly lunch and dinner platters if you don't fancy a full meal. The location means kids can wander off to the play-park in the Square (in view of the restaurant), which is usually busy with scooters and skateboards on weekends. There's shaded al fresco dining, but if you're after some air con, the interior has been beautifully decorated in relaxing greens and beiges with stunning Portuguese floor tiles. **26 Wan King Path, Mon-Fri 10am-12am, Sat & Sun 8am-11pm, 2792 1105, enotecagroup.com**



Sharing plates at The Conservatory



Mediterranean dining in the square

Padstow

Formally known as Hebe 101, Padstow occupies a prime position on Hiram's Highway between Sai Kung and Clearwater Bay, overlooking the Inner Port Shelter and Hebe Haven Yacht Club. The three-storey, colonial-style building closed earlier this year for a refurb and re-opened with a fresh new look and name - Padstow is a pretty Cornish fishing port on England's west coast. The kids menu features the usual favourites - fish 'n' chips, burgers and mac and cheese. A nod to its English pub provenance includes national classics such as scotch eggs and sticky toffee pudding, as well as great pies, lots of fish and seafood options (the whole Boston lobster

comes recommended) with daily specials - such as half-price steaks on Mondays - weekend roasts and breakfast on weekends. Downstairs there's a selection of board games for eager kids, although the dartboard has gone (maybe for the best, children and flying arrows is not always the best combo). Perfectly situated for a re-fuel after a trip to Trio Beach (sampans run from Pak Sha Wan pier opposite) and with a panoramic roof terrace for cooler days, Padstow is worth the trip.

112 Pak Sha Wan, Mon-Thurs 11.30am-11pm, Fri 11.30-12am, Sat 11-12am, Sun 11am-11pm, 2355 5515, padstow.hk