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The Monk's Kettle SF is Moving to Rockridge, Oakland The Mission Location Closing this Summer, Opening in Rockridge this Fall

After sixteen and a half years, the era of The Monk's Kettle San Francisco is coming to an end. The business will be moving its original location from 16th Street in the Mission to 5484 College Ave, in the neighborhood of Rockridge, Oakland. We will be taking over the space that formerly held Citron, next to À Côté, two blocks south of the Rockridge BART station. The 16th St location will remain open through early summer, with the opening in Rockridge planned for this fall.

The lease for the 16th Street space expired in February, but was extended while negotiations on a new lease continued. Concurrent with these discussions, a search for other options was also explored in the case that lease negotiations in SF did not work out. Though the SF negotiations went well, in the end, the move to Rockridge proved the better option for a variety of reasons, including a larger space in an excellent neighborhood. The Monk's Kettle SF is currently on a temporary lease with plans to remain open through June.

The Rockridge location will feature an open floor plan that creates one big great room for the bar and dining room, adding a few more seats than the Mission location with a layout that is more spacious and wide-open. Additionally, there will be a large back deck (seating roughly 30) featuring an inground lemon tree and an overhead trellis; a roof above the trellis allows the deck to be used year-round. And finally, there are parklets in front of the restaurant to further add to the seating capacity.

Currently, the landlord of the Rockridge space is doing some minimal work on this former restaurant space, for a turnkey handover early this summer. Our expectation is that the Mission location will be open through June, but updates will be forthcoming. After closing the Mission, we will move some key items from SF, including the iconic lionhead back bar, and execute some cosmetic renovations, with an expected opening in Oakland in early fall.

During our last months in SF, we will be running a series of specials, events, and cellar sales. Chef Raiden will be digging through old menus, and starting in May, will feature weekly specials of dishes from the past 16 years. These dishes will be featured alongside vintage beers from our cellar from that year. Near the end of our tenure, we will have a final cellar sale, which will feature rare and highly sought-after beers dating back to 2008. Events and specials will be posted on our social media channels.

About the Monk's Kettle: Opened in 2007, the Monk's Kettle is a craft beer and wine tavern in San Francisco's Mission District. Our top-notch beer list and from-scratch kitchen have won us numerous awards and honors. The Monk's Kettle is currently open noon to midnight, outdoor and indoor seating, in San Francisco's Mission District. Reservations on OpenTable

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