

IAN RANKIN TALKS FOOD



Although Ian isn't a great cook, he does specialize in soups. When he was leaving home to attend university, his mother spent a day teaching him how to make a pot of soup – time well spent!

Ian does enjoy restaurants however, and even did a stint as a restaurant reviewer on a Scottish newspaper (*Scotland on Sunday*). One of his all-time favorites is The Kitchin in his hometown of Edinburgh, run by Michelin-starred chef Tom Kitchin. Ian was delighted to be able to interview Tom onstage at this year's Edinburgh Book Festival – and eat dinner at the restaurant afterwards!

Ian also counts author, chef, and TV personality Anthony Bourdain as a friend. Ian took Anthony to his favorite pub in Edinburgh (the Oxford Bar, where Inspector Rebus also hangs out), leading Mr. Bourdain to declare in print that the 'Ox' had

become his favorite bar in the whole world. Ian has also appeared on Anthony Bourdain's *No Reservations* television show, as he led the chef through the streets of Edinburgh, checking out all manner of cuisine from deep-fried haggis and king rib to a 7-course blowout at – you guessed it – The Kitchin.

Listen to Ian Rankin interviewing Tom Kitchin at the Edinburgh Writers festival.

One of the UK's most exciting chefs, Tom Kitchin launched his first book in this event at the Book Festival. *From Nature to Plate* captures his story from trainee to Michelin-star chef while taking us through the seasons and some of his favourite recipes. He tells all to Ian Rankin in this event.

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