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#### **Overview**

- 1. Strong UK LFL: sales growth and market outperformance continues
- 2. Double digit sales<sup>2</sup> growth continues in Q3 2019<sup>1</sup>
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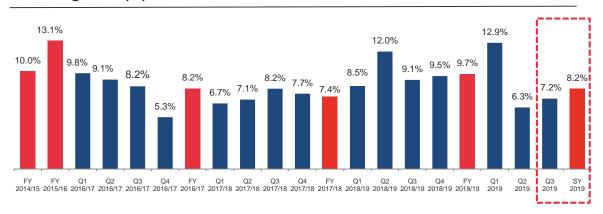
Strong UK LFL: sales growth and market outperformance continues





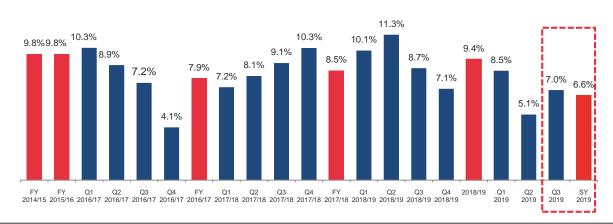
## Strong UK LFL: sales growth and market outperformance continues: 7.2% UK LFL in Q3 2019

#### UK LFL<sup>1</sup> growth (%)



- We have now traded ahead of the market every week for 300 weeks
- UK LFL of 7.2% in Q3 2019, 7.0% ahead of the market. Short year 2019<sup>3</sup> LFL at 8.2%, 6.6% ahead of the market
- US LFL at 4.7% in Q3 2019

#### Level of UK market outperformance<sup>2</sup>





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Like for like sales growth defined as sales from our restaurants which traded for at least 65 weeks

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> wagamama actual UK LFL sales growth % versus peer group restaurants reported sales growth %

Source: Peer group data from Coffer Peach business tracker which monitors sales performance across the following major restaurant operators: Azzurri Restaurants (Zizzi, ASK), Banana Tree Restaurants, Bills, Buzzworks Holdings Group, Byron, Carluccio's Restaurants Ltd, Casual Dining Group (Café Rouge, Bella Italia, Las Iguanas, La Tasca), City District Enterprise, Gaucho, Giraffe Restaurants Group, Giggling Squid, Greene King, Gusto, Honest Burgers, Le Bistrot Pierre, Le Pain Quotidien, Mitchells & Butlers (Browns, Miller & Carter), Mowgli, Pizza Express, Pizza Hut, Prezzo, The Restaurant Group (Chiquito, Frankie & Benny's, Coast to Coast, Garfunkel's), Rosas, TGI Friday's, Various Eateries Ltd, Waqamama, Yo! Sushi.

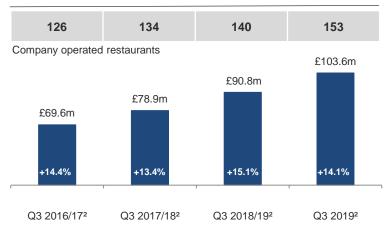
<sup>3</sup> Short year 2019 references the 35 weeks to 29 December 2019

**Double digit sales** 



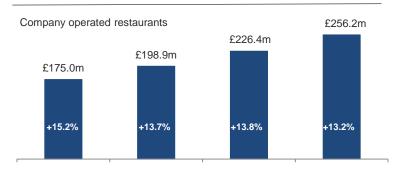
# Double digit sales growth continues in Q3 2019: sales growth of 14.1% in Q3 2019

#### Group total sales<sup>1</sup> (£m) and growth (%) - Q3



#### Group total sales1 (£m) and growth (%) - YTD Q3

YTD Q3 2016/172 YTD Q3 2017/182 YTD Q3 2018/192



- Sales growth of 14.1% in Q3 2019 against Q3 2018/19
- Driven by both LFL growth and an additional 10 company operated restaurants, 2 delivery only sites and 1 mamago site within the group portfolio in Q3 2019 compared to Q3 2018/19
- 98 restaurants achieved record sales weeks in Q3 2019 with particularly strong performance during October half term week and over the Christmas period



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Turnover of company-operated restaurants excluding franchise

YTD Q3 2019<sup>2</sup>

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Strategy under TRG ownership enables accelerated but selective estate expansion





# Strategy under TRG ownership enables accelerated but selective estate expansion: 4 further conversion sites opened, together with first Mamago site

Conversions

 4 further conversion sites opened in Q3 - Sheffield Centertainment, Cambridge Leisure, Basildon and Enfield - bringing the total to 8 conversions

New growth platforms

- First Mamago site opened in Fenchurch Street in late November 2019
- Delivery kitchen opened in Bow in Q3

**Pipeline** 

Strong pipeline of sites for 2020 including new sites and conversions





**Enfield** 





Market leading team and customer metrics driven by work on values and purpose





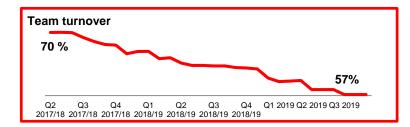
## Market leading team and customer metrics: underpinned by promoting brand purpose and values

#### Team engagement and turnover -market leading

 Achieved highest Glassdoor score of 4.3<sup>1</sup>. 87%<sup>2</sup> would recommend wagamama as a place to work

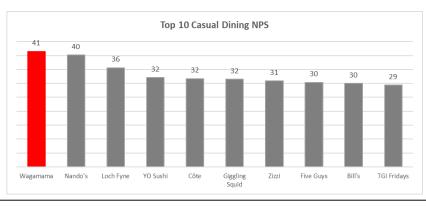


Recorded lowest level of team turnover



#### **December 3-month Net Promoter Score (Promoters - Detractors)**<sup>2</sup>

Ranked in 1<sup>st</sup> place amongst our competitors for NPS



#### Brand highlights - continued innovation in our food and marketing

- October menu launch outperformed expectations, with Chicken Yakitori becoming our second biggest-selling side dish
- Latest food collaboration with young Singaporean chef Shu Han Lee took over noodle lab, and proved so successful that it's on track for national launch in 2020
- wagamama's first cookbook in 15 years launched in October, selling over 40,000 copies in Q4 (more than three times publisher expectations)
- Partnership with Mental Health Mates, the Bryony Gordon-founded community organisation, launched to support the wellbeing of teams and guests









Adjusted EBITDA growth year on year of 26.1%



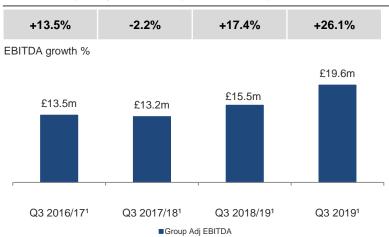




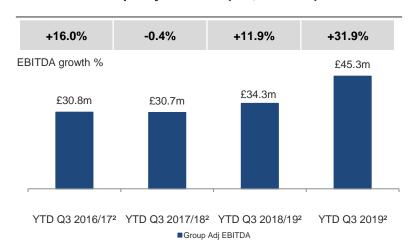


### Adjusted EBITDA and margin growth year on year: Q3 2019 Adjusted EBITDA<sup>3</sup> +26.1% against Q3 2018/19

#### Q3 - Group Adj. EBITDA (£m, % sales)



#### YTD Q3 - Group Adj. EBITDA (£m, % sales)



- Group adjusted EBITDA growth of +26.1% vs Q3 2018/19 on a 13 week basis
- 31.9% increase in adjusted EBITDA from YTD Q3 2018/19 to YTD Q3 2019
- Adjusted EBITDA margin at 18.9% in Q3 2019 compared to 17.1% in Q3 2018/19 driven by:
  - Good profit conversion from double digit sales growth
  - Continuing impact of investment made in people, product and property
  - Strong operational discipline in managing cost challenges
  - The benefit of synergies achieved as part of the wider TRG group in Q3, delivering these savings ahead of the acquisition plan



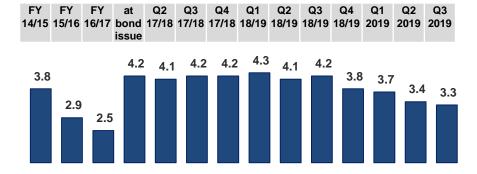
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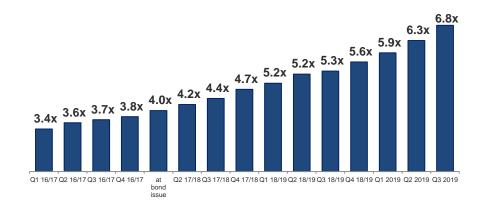


# Key metrics in line with our expectations: capex spend financed from cash

#### Leverage<sup>1</sup>

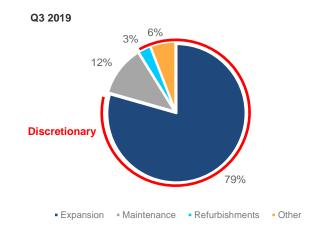


#### Interest cover based on LTM adjusted EBITDA<sup>2</sup>



#### Capex spend continues to be financed from cash

- £28.2m cash on the balance sheet at Q3 2019
- Significant proportion of capex spend in Q3 2019 remains discretionary





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> leverage: net debt /LTM adj. EBITDA

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> interest cover: LTM adj. EBITDA/bond interest

**US** strategy update





# **US strategy update:** Joint venture partnership secured

- US strategic review entered into in 2019 is now complete
- We have entered into a joint venture partnership (JV) with Robert Cornog Jnr and Richard Flaherty as operating partners and Conversion Venture Capital as financial partner
- JV will be a 20:80 partnership (with Wagamama as the minority investor)
- New venture will provide Wagamama's US operations with local operational expertise and expansionary capital with the aim to further expand the brand in the United States
- Option to repurchase the remaining 80% of the business starting in 2026
- JV commenced on 31 January 2020 and will licence the wagamama brand





Wagamama Midtown



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# **Appendices**





# **Appendix A:** Group revenue

| (£m)                      | Q3<br>2018/19 <sup>1</sup> | Q3 2019 <sup>1</sup> | Growth  |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|---------|
| Group revenue             | 91.8                       | 104.5                | 13.9%   |
| - UK                      | 87.6                       | 99.8                 | 13.9%   |
| - USA <sup>2</sup>        | 3.2                        | 3.8                  | 18.8%   |
| - franchise               | 1.0                        | 0.9                  | -3.7%   |
| UK IfI sales              | 9.7%                       | 7.2%                 |         |
| US IfI sales <sup>2</sup> | 8.6%                       | 4.7%                 |         |
| Adjusted<br>EBITDA        | 15.5                       | 19.6                 | 26.1%   |
| % margin                  | 17.1%                      | 18.9%                | 180 bps |

| YTD Q3<br>2018/19 <sup>3</sup> | YTD Q3<br>2019 <sup>3</sup> | Growth  |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|
| 228.7                          | 258.5                       | 13.0%   |
| 218.7                          | 246.2                       | 12.6%   |
| 7.6                            | 10.0                        | 31.6%   |
| 2.4                            | 2.3                         | -2.4%   |
| 9.8%                           | 8.2%                        |         |
| -4.5%                          | 9.1%                        |         |
| 34.3                           | 45.3                        | 31.9%   |
| 15.2%                          | 17.7%                       | 250 bps |



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> includes impact of fluctuations in exchange rates. US LFL sales are shown on the basis of USD sales

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> YTD Q3 2018/19 is restated to 35 weeks to 30 December 2018 and YTD Q3 2019 is 35 weeks to 29 December 2019. Note – YTD Q3 2018/19 was a 40 week period to 3 February 2019, however 35 weeks shown for comparability.

# **Appendix B:** Adjusted EBITDA reconciliation

| £m  |  | Q3 2018/19 <sup>1</sup> Q3 201 |        | 2019 <sup>1</sup> | YTD Q3<br>2018/19 <sup>2</sup> |       | YTD Q3<br>2019 <sup>2</sup> |      | LTM Q3 2019 <sup>3</sup> |      |      |
|---|--|--------------------------------|--------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|------|--------------------------|------|------|
| Profit/(loss) for the financial period      |  |                                | (29.5) |                   | 4.3                            |       | (33.4)                      |      | 8.4                      |      | 10.7 |
| add back:                                   | Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities    | (0.3)                          |        | 1.5               |                                | 1.4   |                             | 3.7  |                          | 3.3  |      |
|   | Net interest payable and similar charges       | 2.4                            |        | 2.3               |                                | 7.7   |                             | 6.7  |                          | 10.4 |      |
|   | Exceptional expenses/(income)                  | 29.9                           |        | 3.4               |                                | 33.0  |                             | 5.3  |                          | 7.4  |      |
|   | Amortisation                                   | 2.3                            |        | 2.5               |                                | 7.6   |                             | 6.8  |                          | 10.5 |      |
|   | Depreciation and impairment of tangible assets | 4.1                            |        | 4.8               |                                | 12.9  |                             | 12.4 |                          | 17.3 |      |
|   | Loss on disposal of assets                     | 0.3                            |        | 0.4               |                                | 0.4   |                             | 0.4  |                          | 1.1  |      |
| EBITDA                                      | EBITDA   |                                | 9.2    |                   | 19.2                           |       | 29.6                        |      | 43.7                     |      | 60.7 |
| Pre-opening co                              | sts  | 2.6                            |        | 0.3               |                                | 4.0   |                             | 1.4  |                          | 1.8  |      |
| Corporate expenses                          |  | 0.1                            |        | 0.1               |                                | 0.2   |                             | 0.1  |                          | 0.2  |      |
| Share-based payment charge                  |  | 1.0                            |        | -                 |                                | 4.9   |                             | 0.1  |                          | 0.2  |      |
| Adjusted EBITDA                             |  |                                | 12.9   |                   | 19.6                           |       | 38.7                        |      | 45.3                     |      | 62.9 |
| Adjustment (to comparable 13 week period)   |  | 2.6                            |        | n/a               |                                |       |                             |      |                          |      |      |
| Adjustment (to comparable 35 week period)   |  |                                |        |                   |                                | (4.4) |                             | n/a  |                          |      |      |
| Adjusted EBITDA (13 and 22 week comparable) |  |                                | 15.5   |                   | 19.6                           |       | 34.3                        |      | 45.3                     |      | 62.9 |



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> LTM Q3 2019 is FY 2018/19 plus Q3 2019 less Q3 2018/19 (restated to 35 weeks)

# **Appendix C:** Amendment to the reporting calendar

Following the acquisition of Mabel Mezzco Limited's parent company Mabel Topco Limited by The Restaurant Group, the Group intends to adopt a revised reporting calendar to align with The Restaurant Group's financial calendar:

| Quarter    | Current reporting timetable           | No.<br>weeks | Revised reporting timetable             | No.<br>weeks | Comment                        |
|------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|---|--------------|--------------------------------|
| Q4 2018/19 | 4 February 2019 –<br>28 April 2019    | 12           | 4 February 2019 –<br>28 April 2019      | 12           |                                |
| Q1 2019    | 29 April 2019 –<br>18 August 2019     | 16           | 29 April 2019 –<br>30 June 2019         | 9            | Short period to align quarters |
| Q2 2019    | 19 August 2019 –<br>10 November 2019  | 12           | 1 July 2019 –<br>29 September 2019      | 13           |                                |
| Q3 2019    | 11 November 2019 –<br>2 February 2020 | 12           | 30 September 2019 –<br>29 December 2019 | 13           |                                |

