

## REVIEW

## 24MOONS



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## LANEWAYS ARE FILLED WITH HIDDEN GEMS

Melbourne is known for many things fashion, music, café culture and undoubtedly its many laneways. Hidden within them are some of Melbourne's best-kept secrets, 24 Moons is but one of these tucked away gems. Veiled amongst the shroud of AC/DC Lane a lone door stands with a burly man leaning against it. Bathed in a red glow an aging staircase awaited. Heading up towards 24 Moons you are immersed with notions of what lies ahead as anyone who has walked down AC/DC Lane can testify to the fact that the rock chic atmosphere that exudes from Cherry Bar is an accurate indication of expectations of AC/DC Lane.

Approaching the entrance you are hit with a new sensation a different sound... far removed from the rock-laden gauntlet that is AC/DC Lane. 24 Moons transports you somewhere new entirely, with a meticulously crafted interior that truly captures the moons essences with low lighting and subtle background chirping of birds and insects. 24 Moons sets a scene that is reminiscent of high-end lounge but without the pretense. And true to

its name offers a relative assortment of visual and audible treats, whether it be burlesque performances, 'KRE-ATIV' Wednesdays showcasing emerging and established artists work or simply the down right spinning of old school R&B favourites on Saturday nights – something in my opinion this city has long forgotten and desperately needs to be reminded of!

But the experience does not end there with the an extensively stocked bar the experienced staff are capable of tantalizing your taste buds with smooth and delicately crafted cocktails that are sure keep you coming back for more. 24 Moons represents something that Melbourne has begun to forget that the laneways are filled with hidden gems just waiting to be discovered. Writing this I find myself all most wanting to hold back not wanting to share one of the best discoveries I've come across in a while.

So my advice is simple, put on your Sunday best, keep an open mind and take a walk.

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