



20.30 Volkshaus

The People's House, a multi-venue hub in an historic 1925 building, was restored with flair by Herzog & de Meuron in 2012. Not only is there a fine bar, where you can people-watch all day over croissants or cocktails, there is a brasserie serving simple, classic fare, such as oysters and steak frites; a leafy courtyard, an ideal spot to enjoy a local Riesling away from the busy Claraplatz; and a concert hall,

which hosts gigs and is home to Basel's symphony orchestra. A deli and hotel are also due to open soon (see p016). As ever with Herzog & de Meuron, it's all about the details, from the monochrome fan-mosaic flooring in the bar (above) to the wooden chairs in the restaurant (opposite), inspired by the original Volkshaus seating. *Rebgasse 12-14, T 061 690 9310, www.volkshaus-basel.ch*