

## Valerio Lombardozzi Biography

Valerio Lombardozzi is a seasoned hospitality professional with over 23 years of international experience across Europe and the United States. Born and raised in Italy, he developed a deep appreciation for culinary tradition, warm service, and the art of hospitality from an early age. His career includes work in prestigious restaurants, boutique hotels, and luxury food & beverage concepts throughout Italy, France, London, and Spain.

Over the years, Valerio has had the privilege of working with some of the most celebrated names in the industry, including Filippo La Mantia at the Majestic Hotel in Rome, Alain Ducasse, Giorgio Locatelli, the Joël Robuchon Group, and at properties such as the Four Seasons Hotel. These formative experiences helped shape his refined approach to service and operations.

After relocating to the United States, Valerio brought his vision and expertise to the Texas hospitality scene. For over 11 years, he worked with a Michelin-starred hospitality group, earning recognition for his leadership, creativity, and operational precision.

In 2025, he began collaborating with Mercato & Co. in Houston,a dynamic concept combining Italian retail, deli sandwiches, artisanal coffee, and a curated wine & beer selection under one roof. His latest venture includes the launch of a refined Italian restaurant inspired by the traditional Roman Osteria.

Now also working as a consultant and partner in multiple ventures, Valerio specializes in concept development, operational excellence, team training, and guest experience strategy. He is passionate about helping others build successful, authentic, and efficient hospitality businesses.