

MEET ME AT...



Champagne and Oyster Bar

Liberty, Regent Street, W1
(020 7734 1234,
www.liberty.co.uk).

Booking not necessary.

Once there was nowhere better for a relaxed meeting place than the bars in obscure hotels but now there's a whole new trend worth exploring: the bars

that are springing up in department stores. Liberty has recently opened a Champagne and Oyster Bar on the lower ground floor. It's a stylish place and seats about 40, mostly at the bar. If you can get through the sales floors with credit cards unscathed this place is very good for an early meet as it's open from 11am until 8pm (last orders 7.30pm). Try the Balfour brut rosé — which is rather good and comes with an inbuilt shock — when you find out that it's a British wine; £9.95 a glass. Add some oysters — a great start to any night.

Charles Campion

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