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In a statement posted to the restaurant's Facebook page on Thursday, Hard Rock Cafe Beirut announced it was closing its doors on September 9 after almost two decades of business in Lebanon.

"Hard Rock has enjoyed a rich history and has appreciated the opportunity to serve guests in Beirut. Hard Rock International remains committed to growth and expansion in the region, and looks forward to finding a new site for a Hard Rock Cafe location within the city of Beirut," the statement noted, hinting that the closure might not be for good.

The American chain first opened inside the Bay View Hotel in Ein el-Mreisseh in 1996.

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