



Served daily 3-5.30pm

“There are few hours in life more agreeable than the hour dedicated to the ceremony known as afternoon tea” Henry James (Author)

Afternoon Tea: that most English of customs is a relatively new tradition. The act of tea drinking first dates to China in the third millennium BC. King Charles II and his wife Catherine de Braganza first made tea drinking popular during the 1660's. It was not until the mid-17th Century that the concept of afternoon tea first appeared.

The Duchess of Bedford introduced afternoon tea to England in 1840, asking for a tray of tea, bread and butter and cake to be brought to her room in the late afternoon. This soon became normal practice, with friends often invited to join her. The idea soon caught on in fashionable circles during the 1880's with society women changing into long gowns, gloves and hats for the occasion, with their afternoon tea usually being served in the drawing room between four and five o'clock.

Traditional afternoon tea includes a selection of dainty sandwiches, scones served with clotted cream and preserves, alongside cakes with either India or Ceylon tea.

Your order will be taken at the table

Pot of Black Tea for one - homemade biscuit £4

Pot of Speciality Tea | Herbal | Fruit Infusion - homemade biscuit £4

Hot Chocolate - milky chocolate - whipped cream - chocolate flakes £4

Iced Tea | Coffee £3/£4

Café latte | Americano | Cappuccino £4

Espresso £3

Toasted Buttered Teacake £5

Toasted Buttered Crumpet £5

Toasted Waffle - maple syrup - Dorset clotted cream £7

Dorset Cream Tea £10

Freshly baked plain scones - Dorset clotted cream - strawberry jam - choice of leaf tea or Fairtrade coffee

Savoury Tea £12

Homemade cheese scones – spiced tomato chutney – whipped blue cheese butter

We require 24 hours' notice for the following...

(Gluten and Vegan variations are available)

ALEXANDRA AFTERNOON SPARKLING TEA £31

Freshly baked plain scones - Dorset clotted cream - strawberry jam - choice of leaf tea | Fairtrade coffee - glass of local award winning Furleigh Estate classic cuvee bubbly.

ALEXANDRA AFTERNOON TEA £21

Homemade scones - Dorset clotted cream - strawberry jam - selection of finger sandwiches - selection of homemade cakes - choice of leaf tea | Fairtrade coffee.

VEGAN AFTERNOON TEA £21

Homemade scones - whipped soya butter - strawberry jam - selection of vegetarian finger sandwiches - selection of homemade cakes - choice of leaf tea | Fairtrade coffee.

SAVOURY AFTERNOON TEA £26

Spiced scotch egg – curry mayonnaise – Cornish gouda mousse filled choux bun – tomato & red onion tartlet - homemade cheese scones – spiced tomato chutney – whipped blue cheese butter – selection of finger sandwiches & mini rolls

CHILDREN'S AFTERNOON TEA (for children of 12 years and under) £17

Homemade scone - Dorset clotted cream - strawberry jam - selection of finger sandwiches | assorted crudités - chocolate brownie - mini Alexandria mess - glass of orange | apple juice.