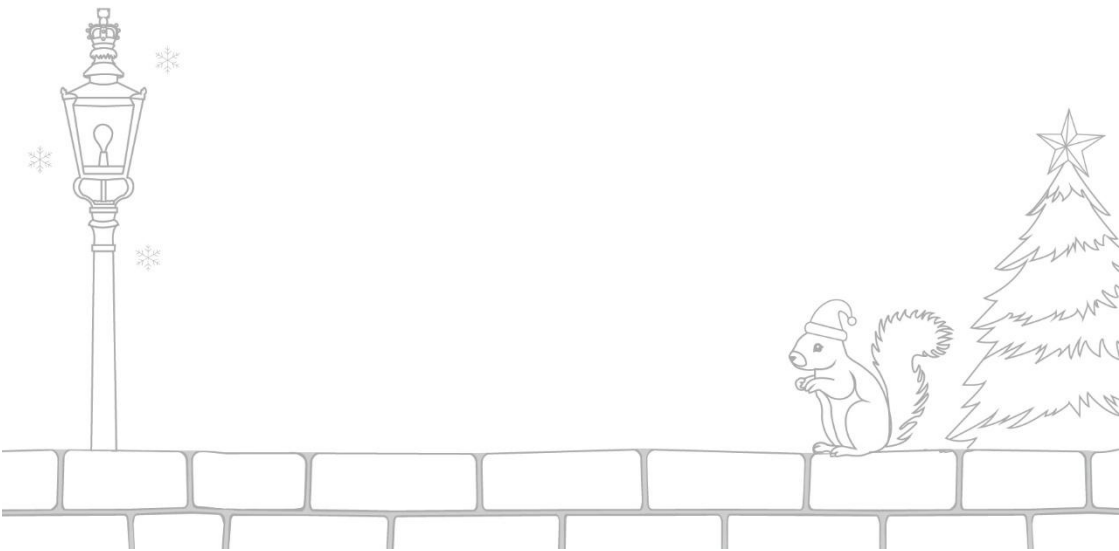




Christmas Afternoon Tea

at Origin Kensington

THURSDAY TO SUNDAY
FROM 14:00 - TO 17:30





A Brief History of Afternoon Tea

In 1840, during Queen Victoria's reign, the Duchess of Bedford, Anna Russell, sought to overcome the "sinking feeling" between breakfast and dinner. At that time, people typically ate only two meals a day. Her solution was to have a small pot of tea and a light snack in the afternoon, taken privately in her boudoir. This soon became a habit, and she began inviting friends to join her for "tea and a walk in the fields."

The menu featured small cakes, bread and butter sandwiches, assorted sweets, and, of course, tea. This practice quickly caught on with fashionable society and eventually became popular with the middle and lower classes as well.

Nearly 200 years later, afternoon tea remains a quintessential part of British life.





Christmas Plant Based Afternoon Tea Menu

For vegan and special dietary needs, we encourage you to prebook 24 hours in advance, in order to cater to your needs and deliver your experience.

SAVOURY SELECTION

*West London burella with heritage tomato (H)
Cucumber and chive cream (H)
Carrot and onion coronation (H)*

*Ashcroft Farm beetroot and horseradish sausage roll (H)
Wild mushroom tart with tarragon (H)*

SCONES

*Plain, orange and morello cherry (H)
Homemade jams – Strawberry, plum and ginger (H)
Oat crème fraîche (H)*

SWEET SELECTION

*Coconut and passion fruit snowman macaroon (H)
Vanilla, caramel and chocolate reindeer cupcake (H)
Chestnut and blackcurrant Mont Blanc tart (H)
Clementine and cranberry cheesecake bauble (H)*

£45

per person

£57

per person

with a glass of Rathfinny Brut



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Loose Tea Selection

AFTERNOON TEA AT THE PALACE

Our signature afternoon tea black tea blend combined with the finest single estate Darjeeling and Chinese black tea leaves for a refined and aromatic cup, specifically designed for afternoon tea

ASSAM SUPERIOR

A full-bodied black tea Assam from the Zaloni tea estate in north east India, characteristic rich and distinctively malty

DECAF ASSAM

High quality "decaffeinated" Assam tea, naturally obtained using CO2 method, the brew is strong and malty with a chocolatey aroma

PU-ERH IMPERIAL

A fermented dark tea with unique flavours and character. Large flat leaves produce a dark red liquor with a savoury aroma and bold robust, ripe and earthy flavours with a fruity finish that hints at grape, plum, and cherry



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PALACE EARL GREY

Our Bold and classically flavoured earl grey black tea for a full-bodied, sophisticated and aromatic cup, suitable for any time of day with lemon or milk to taste

SAPPHIRE JUBILEE

This celebratory earl grey black blend used the finest of Chinese black tea leaves, natural oil of bergamot and bright blue cornflowers for an elegant and aromatic infusion

ROSE GREY

An exclusive blend of Chinese black tea leaves, natural oil of bergamot and whole pink rose petal for a fragrant and refreshing alternative to a traditional earl grey, amazing in the afternoon

HYDE PARK

This complex and slightly sweet blend combines Indian and Chinese whole leaf teas with real orange and lemon peel pieces and a hint of bourbon vanilla from Madagascar

APRICOT DREAM

The Finest of Ceylon black tea leaves, sunflower petal and mallow blossom blended with luscious apricot flavour for a fruity infusion with a hint of summer berries and vanilla



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MIDSUMMER MANGO

Full-bodied, flavoured China black tea combined with the bright, brisk character of Ceylon for a balanced cup with natural sweetness and subtle floral undertones

VANILLA TOFFEE TREAT

The fines Sri Lankan and Indian black tea enriched with pieces of caramel and real bourbon vanilla from Madagascar

BREAKFAST PALACE

An energizing black breakfast tea, full bodied aromatic blend of assam and Ceylon black teas. English Breakfast Tea at its finest.

IRON GODDESS OF MERCI OOLONG

Probably the most famous oolong tea from China, also named Ti Kuan Yin is formed from the leaf's tea bushes grown in Fujian, China which are prized for their aromatic and refreshing nature.

LEMON SHIMMER GREEN

A robust blend of sencha green tea leaves with real lemon peel and lemon grass pieces, packed with antioxidant and vitamin C, the slightly sweet and strong citrusy blend is delightfully refreshing



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SENCHA ALOE VERA GREEN

Early season steamed Chinese green tea leaves with fruity, sweet and slightly tart pineapple pieces and pure aloe vera powder. Naturally sweet flavour but completely sugar and calorie free

CHINESE SENCHA GREEN TEA

Lustrously green, highest-quality whole tea leaves produce fresh, vegetal aromas and crisp refreshing flavours. The Strongest of our green tea in flavour, a must for the green tea lover.

WHITE PEONY WHITE

White Tea is the Purest, rarest type of tea and created from the sweetest, specialist tea plant cultivars and there is virtually no processing at all applied to the leaves, just a little bit of heat to remove the moisture

WHITE MONKEY WHITE

Made with pure white tea grown in the Taimu Mountains in Fujian, and is only formed from the plants leaves and bud picked during the first two seasons



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PURE PEPPERMINT

High quality peppermint chosen in our infusion in order to achieve the perfect balance and deliver a delicious sweet caramel flavour on the finish

WILD BERRIES

Bursting with berries, fruit pieces and herbs, the infusion is a fruity and slightly sweet, with intense berry taste; mix of elderberries, raspberries, strawberries, blackberries, and flavourful herbs

CHAMOMILE

Renowned for its soothing properties, chamomile has long been cherished as a remedy for relaxation our blend is using only the choicest flower heads, meticulously selected to deliver a smooth, clean taste and a delightful apple-honey finish

EUCALYPTUS ZEST

This Blend is carefully crafted from the finest South African rooibos leaves, pure Australian eucalyptus and real oranges pieces and oils to form a refreshing, punchy cup with an almost effervescent finish

HARMONY

The all-star cast of ingredients used in this infusion include cardamom and cinnamon for balance; coriander, fennel and liquorice for cooling; ginger for digestion and restoration and rose to soothe the heart and relieve stress and anxiety



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Christmas Afternoon Tea Cocktails

SHIMMERING YUZU

£12.00

DISTILL Yuzu spirit, lemon curd, shimmer green tea syrup and touch of citrus

THE GARDEN AFFAIR

£12.00

Fresh berries, cucumber, lime and lemon muddled with the addition of Hayman's Sloe gin, elderflower cordial, lemonade

TEA TIME

£12.00

Burnt Faith brandy served with lemon juice, rose grey tea and lemonade

VELVET NOËL

£12.00

Mulled wine – A rich, spiced red wine and port gently warmed with cinnamon, clove, citrus, and a hint of sweetness.



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