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BLOOMING BRITISH

FESTIVE AFTERNOON TEA

A celebratory afternoon tea with the Natural History Museum

Supporting a future where people and pollinators thrive

Natural History Museum

ROYAL LANCASTER LONDON



Introduction

Welcome to A Blooming British Afternoon Tea in collaboration with the Natural History Museum; a floral-inspired winter twist on a quintessentially British tradition, in a celebration of the beautiful flowers and precious pollinators on our doorstep.

To celebrate the most magical time of year, our talented pastry team have created a special menu using seasonal flavours and themes that beautifully honour the elegance of British flora and fauna. Guests can enjoy an assortment of sandwiches, including a traditional turkey and cranberry, freshly-baked scones, and delicious sweet treats including our signature Beehive with a festive twist, and a chocolate and hazlenut yule log..

This special collaboration combines the Museum's expertise and work to protect the natural world, with our ongoing sustainability efforts, and a shared passion for pollinators.

Together, we support a future where people and pollinators thrive.

Prices

£62 Monday to Friday

£69 Saturday and Sunday

£95 Christmas Day including a glass of Champagne

£30 Children's Afternoon Tea

Make it extra special...

£15 *Nyetimber Classic Cuvee MV*
£18 *Nyetimber Rosé MV*
£20 *Perrier-Jouët Grand Brut NV, France*
£22 *Perrier-Jouët Blason Rosé NV, France*
£9.50 *Saicho Jasmine Sparkling Tea*
£9.50 *Saicho Darjeeling Sparkling Tea*
£9.50 *Noughty Sparkling Chardonnay non-alcoholic sparkling wine*
£9.50 *Noughty Sparkling Rose non-alcoholic sparkling wine*

Bespoke Teas

from Camellia's Tea House

The Royal Lancaster Afternoon Blend

A bespoke blend created to complement the savoury selection of our celebratory afternoon tea. An unusual combination of timeless English Breakfast, warm woody China Keemun with the floral notes of calming chamomile. This is a tea to relax with and savour time well spent with friends and loved ones.

The Pollinator Blend

Created exclusively for Royal Lancaster London, in partnership with the Natural History Museum, the Pollinator blend marries black teas from Darjeeling and China with cornflower, rose and marigold petals and the final flourish of organic bee pollen. Full of health-giving properties, the bee pollen adds a sweet honeyed note to this delightful celebration of the insects which keep Mother Nature in timeless bounty.

Scan the QR code to view allergen information

A Blooming British Afternoon Tea

SAVOURY

A selection of traditional sandwiches

British roasted turkey sandwich with cranberry jam on white bread

H. Forman & Son smoked salmon, fresh cucumber and horseradish cream on brown bread

Roasted sirloin sandwich with roast pepper chimichurri and rocket salad on granary bread

Free range egg sandwich, mimosa, smoked paprika and chive on white bread

CRANBERRY & PLAIN SCONES

Warm homemade scones served with clotted cream and a selection of preserves

SWEET

A selection of pollinator-themed sweet bites

Yule Log
Pear jam, hazelnut praline, hazelnut sponge, coffee whipped ganache.

Christmas Tree
Chocolate cremeux, chocolate sponge, cherry compote

The Beehive
Spiced fig jam, light mascarpone mousse, honey cake

The Snowman
Olive oil cake, Dulcey mousse, mandarin cremeux, mandarin jelly, ginger sable

A discretionary 12.5% service charge will be added to your bill.

A Blooming British Vegan Afternoon Tea

SAVOURY

A selection of traditional sandwiches

Avocado, Heirloom tomato and rocket pesto on granary bread

Piccalilli, raisin and vegan smoked apple wood cheese on white bread

Mediterranean grilled vegetables with roast pepper chimichurri on wholemeal bread

Chickpea salad with chive cress on white bread

CRANBERRY & PLAIN SCONES

Warm homemade scones served with coconut cream and a selection of preserves

SWEET

A selection of pollinator-themed sweet bites

Yule Log
Hazelnut sponge, pear jam, coffee infused vegan Chantilly cream

Christmas Tree
Chocolate sponge, cherry compote, vegan chocolate cream

The Beehive
Spiced fig jam, vegan coconut yogurt mousse, maple sponge

The Snowman
Vanilla shortbread, vegan chocolate ganache, mandarin compote, vegan diplomat cream

A discretionary 12.5% service charge will be added to your bill.

A Blooming British Children's Afternoon Tea

SAVOURY

A selection of miniature sandwiches

Chicken with mayonnaise on white bread

Cucumber and cream cheese sandwich on wholemeal bread

Egg sandwich on white bread

SCONES

Warm homemade scones served with clotted cream
and a selection of preserves

SWEET

A selection of pollinator-themed sweet bites

The Ladybird
Light vanilla mousse, caramelised apple, sablé Breton

Chocolate Seedball
Milk chocolate mousse, chocolate sponge

Butterflies & Berries
Vanilla cheesecake, mixed red berry compôte

A discretionary 12.5% service charge will be added to your bill.

Did you know...?

While honeybees get a lot of the credit, at least 1,500 insect species pollinate plants in the UK. In some parts of the world, birds, bats and even lizards get involved too!

For an animal to be an effective pollinator it needs to actively visit flowers of the same species and be capable of carrying pollen on its body (often unintentionally) so that it transfers from one flower to another.

Some pollinators are still active over winter. On milder days, you might still see a buff-tailed bumblebee or a honeybee.

Beetles are attracted to flat, open flowers which allow them to graze, and flowers in clusters, such as cow parsley. The flowers tend to be smelly or fragrant, because beetles navigate by a strong sense of smell.

There are just 57 resident butterfly species in the UK, compared to more than 2,500 moth species.

Things you can do to help:

1. Grow pollinator-friendly plants in your garden or on your windowsill
2. Let your lawn grow a little wilder
3. Build a home for solitary bees

Winter-flowering plants such as snowdrops and aconites are vital food sources for pollinators still active over the winter months.

The list of insect pollinators is long and includes many different species of bees, flies, wasps, beetles, butterflies and moths. Pollinators carry pollen with them as they move from flower to flower.

Scan the QR code for 'How To' videos, and a digital version of our Nature Walk map.

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Hyde Park
Park Lane
Diana Memorial Playground
Round Pond
Kensington Palace
Kensington Gardens
Serpentine Gallery
The Serpentine
Diana Princess of Wales Memorial Fountain
Hyde Park Rose Garden
Hyde Park Corner
The Albert Memorial
Kensington Road
Kensington High Street
Kensington Gore
Knightsbridge
Queen's Gate
Royal Albert Hall
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Natural History Museum
Brompton Road
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28 minute walk
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North
Follow the nature walk from Royal Lancaster London to the Natural History Museum. 1.2 miles, 28 minute walk