

AFTERNOON TEA

A Very Fitting Place To Enjoy The Experience



"The Perfect Place For An Afternoon Tea"

Afternoon tea, that most quintessential of English customs is, perhaps surprisingly, a relatively new tradition. Whilst drinking tea dates back to the third millennium BC in China and was popularised in England during the 1660s by King Charles II and his wife the Portuguese Infanta Catherine de Braganza. It was not until the mid 17th century that the concept of 'afternoon tea' first appeared.

Afternoon tea was introduced in England by Anna, the seventh Duchess of Bedford, in the year 1840. The Duchess would become hungry around 4 O'clock in the afternoon. The evening meal in her household was served fashionably late at eight O'clock, thus leaving a long period of time between lunch and dinner. The Duchess asked that a tray of tea, bread & butter, (Sometime earlier, the Earl of Sandwich, had the idea of putting a filling between two slices of bread) and cake be brought to her room during the late afternoon. This became a habit of hers and she began inviting friends to join her.

This pause for tea became fashionable social event.

Traditionally afternoon tea consists of a selection of dainty sandwiches, scones served with clotted cream and preserves. Cakes and Pastries are also served. Tea grown in India or Ceylon is poured from silver tea pots into delicate bone china cups.

Nowadays however, in the average suburban home, afternoon tea is likely to be just a biscuit or small cake and a mug of tea, usually produced using a teabag. Sacrilege.

"There are a few hours in life more agreeable than the hour dedicated to the ceremony known as 'Afternoon Tea' "

Henry James



£24.95pp includes a free glass of Prosecco.

Upgrade to Champagne & make it just £29.95.



Welcome to 1761 & Your Very British Afternoon Tea

Your afternoon tea stand will arrive with a wide selection of sumptuous homemade cakes, made fresh on the day in our kitchen and of course a scone served with clotted cream and strawberry jam.

Each person has their own stand, this is about sharing your conversation, not your favourite cakes.

Please Choose Any Two Sandwich Fillings;

Served on White or Brown

- Cucumber & Cream Cheese
- Mature Cheddar
- Cucumber & Hummus
- Salmon & Cream Cheese
- Prawn with Marie Rose Sauce
- Tuna & Mayo
- Chicken & Lemon Mayonnaise
- Honey Roasted Ham
- Roast Beef

Please Choose A Chutney;

- Picalilli
- Fig Pear & Cardamom Chutney
- Caramelised Red Onion Chutney
- Horseradish

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Your job is now to enjoy and spend a great afternoon in the company of friends or family (or both). Talking old memories and making new ones.

Thank You for choosing 1761, we look forward to seeing you again.