White Teas

Spring White, Nepal (£5.00 supp)

From the first flush of Spring, this delicate white tea consists solely of the silvery and fine Tippy leaf and a bud, producing a sweet flavour and flowery aroma £12.50

Silver Cloud, Sri Lanka (£2.00 supp) A delicate tea from the Oodoowera estate of Ceylon with lingering notes of honeydew and cantaloupe £9.00

Blend 68 Tropical Punch, Sri Lanka

A blend of white tea with hibiscus, rosehip

and orange peel £6.00

Green Teas

Dragon Well Lung Ching, China

Once a favourite of the Chinese Emperor Kan Xi in the

1600's, this tea is hand pressed and fired in a wok

producing a pale yellow liquor with a

refreshingly sweet character

£6.50

Jasmine Pearls, China
Hand-rolled white needle green tea naturally
scented using fresh Jasmine flowers.
High in antioxidants £7.50

Herbal Infusions

Peppermint, EnglandMade from the finest English Mitcham BlackPeppermint, this infusion is fresh and aromatic£6.00

Nile Chamomile, Egypt
A herbal infusion with calming effect that makes
it a perfect drink to enjoy in the evening £6.00

Cape Colony Rooibos, South Africa
Full bodied and high in antioxidants, this herbal
infusion has a vibrant amber-red tint with a
sweet and nutty character £6.00

All prices are inclusive of Value Added Tax A discretionary 12.5% service charge will be added to your total bill

Afternoon tea

Tea History

The story of tea begins in China.....
In 2737 BC, the Chinese Emperor, Shen Nung, was sitting beneath a tree while his servant boiled drinking water, when some leaves from the tree blew into the water. Shen Nung decided to try the infusion that his servant had accidently created. The tree was a Camellia Sinensis, and the resulting drink was what we now call tea.

Tea drinking became established in China many centuries before it had even been heard of in the West. Containers for tea have been found in tombs dating from the Han dynasty (206 BC – 220 AD) but it was under the Tang dynasty (618 – 906 AD), that tea became firmly established as the national drink of China.

Europe was rather lagging behind at this stage in the history of tea. In the latter half of the sixteenth century there are the first brief mentions of tea as a drink among Europeans. These are mostly from Portuguese who were living in the East as traders and missionaries. It was the marriage of Charles II to Catherine of Braganza, a Portuguese Princess, and a tea addict, that would prove to be a turning point in the history of tea in Britain. It was her love of the drink that established tea as a fashionable beverage, first at court, and then among the wealthy classes as a whole.

The British took to tea with an enthusiasm that continues to the present day.

Afternoon tea is served between 2:30pm and 5:15pm

Afternoon Tea

£30.00 per person
Selection of sandwiches, scones and pastries

 $\pounds 40.00$ per person Served with a glass of Moet & Chandon, NV Champagne

A selection of finger sandwiches

Ham and English mustard on white bread

London smoked salmon and horseradish cream on brown bread

Cucumber and cream cheese on brown bread

Free range egg mayonnaise and celery cress on white bread

Freshly baked plain and raisin scones

Selection of tea pastries

A la Carté

Freshly baked plain and raisin scones

A selection of plain and raisin scones, served with clotted cream and homemade strawberry jam

£9.50

Selection of tea pastries

A selection of four varieties of handmade pastries, from the Westbury patisserie

£16.00

Tea Selection

by the East India Company

Black Tea

The Westbury Breakfast Blend, India and Sri Lanka A rich and robust tea, crafted exclusively for the Westbury by our Tea Master

£6.00

Assam Second Flush TGFOP, India

Seasonal Single Estate tea from the highest tippy leaves known for its smooth and malty body, deep copper colour and wonderful aromas £6.00

Ceylon Robgil Pekoe, Sri Lanka

This rare Single Estate tea is specially made for The East India Company, offering a bright cup with deliciously fruity and floral notes £6.00

Traditional Karak, India

Strong black tea specially created for deliciously intense flavours using ginger, peppercorn, cardamom and cloves.

Best enjoyed with milk, add sugar to taste. £6.00

Lapsang Souchong, China

From the Fujian province of China, this distinct black tea is dried over a pine fire, imparting a sweet and rich smoky flavour £6.50

Heart of Persia, Sri Lanka (£2.50 supp)

The king of spices, saffron, is the key ingredient. Hints of this distinctive spice accent a selection of sweet and exotic fruits and flower petals

£9.00