

**THE LANESBOROUGH
AFTERNOON TEA
MENU**

Award of Excellence, The Tea Guild 2011

Past awards

Award of Excellence, The UK Tea Council 2010

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Top London Afternoon Tea- The Tea Guild 2008

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THE LANESBOROUGH

Our teas have been carefully selected by our *Tea Sommelier*. Like all natural products, tea varies considerably throughout the seasons and for this reason, The Lanesborough teas are tasted daily, ensuring quality and consistency of flavour.

Please use the expertise of our *Tea Sommelier* who will be delighted to take you through a journey of the different varieties and complexities of tea.

THE SAMOVAR: a metal urn that was a Russian invention of the mid-eighteenth century, used primarily to heat water. Pinecones were packed at the bottom, then lit causing the water in the urn to boil. In the late 1700's the English started using silver samovars to make tea.

Considered an object d'art by many today, we have revived this charming tradition at The Lanesborough.

Herbal Infusions

Lemon Verbena (Verveine)

Produced from French Verveine leaves, this popular herbal infusion has a light buttery taste, complemented by a subtle lemon scenting. This ever-popular after dinner digestive is extremely soothing and intensely satisfying

Camomile Flowers

The only way to appreciate the floral, summery elegance of chamomile is to put the whole flower in water. The result is a traditional soothing, scented drink.

Lemongrass and Ginger

An uplifting blend formulated as the perfect pick me up. Contains lemongrass, cloves, peppermint, mate, cardamom, ginger and liquorice root.

Rooibos

An antioxidant rich and caffeine free tea from South Africa that is widely regarded as containing a number of rejuvenating properties

Fruit Tea / Ice Tea

Apple & Mango

An exotic blend of hibiscus blossoms, apple bits, rose hip peels, mango bits and marigold blossoms

Forest Berries

A refreshing caffeine free blend of hibiscus, elderberries, blackcurrants, redcurrants, blackberries and raspberries

Pomegranate

A nourishing and fruity blend with pomegranate blossoms

Decaffeinated Black Tea

Earl Grey

A decaffeinated version of the popular bergamot flavoured classic

Green Teas

Rose of the Orient

A blend of some of the Worlds finest green teas including Sencha, Gunpowder, China Wu Lu and Pai Mu Tan flavoured with Jasmine, cornflower blossoms and rose buds.

Gunpowder

A popular green tea with a rolled leaf, providing a brisk flavour

White Dragon Jasmin

A first class Jasmine tea, very tippy, subtle leaf, with whole jasmine blossoms producing a very aromatic cup. A delight for any connoisseur

Moroccan Mint

A refreshing blend of gunpowder tea and peppermint leaves

Pu-erh (aged tea)

Pu-erh is China's great mystery tea famous for its health giving benefits, very low caffeine levels and rich, unique and comforting flavour. The secret is in the aging process. This post-fermented organic tea originates from the Chinese province of Yunnan where it has been produced for over 1700 years

Imperial Puerh

This tea goes through a special maturation process, in which it gets its reddish colour and its strong, earthy taste

Supplement of £2.00

Flowering Teas

The flowering Teas are artfully handcrafted in the best Chinese tradition providing a showpiece of exquisite beauty and elegance artfully handcrafted in the best Chinese tradition

Jasmine and Marigold

Finest white tea leaves wrapped together jasmine and marigold with flowers guarantee a delicious taste and a mesmerizing and memorable display

Lilly and Osmanthus

A beautiful and spectacular floral masterpiece, providing a delicate and subtle flavour

TRADITIONAL AFTERNOON TEA

THE LANESBOROUGH TEA

Your preferred choice of tea,
A selection of finger sandwiches, pastries, toasted teacakes
and homemade scones
Served with homemade fruit preserves and clotted Devonshire cream

£38.00 per person

THE BELGRAVIA TEA

A full afternoon tea selection as above,
served with fresh strawberries and cream,
complemented by a glass of

Taittinger Champagne £48.00 per person
Laurent Perrier Rose Champagne £55.00 per person

OUR PRESTIGE 1998 KRUG CHAMPAGNE TEA

£85.00 per person

GLUTEN & DAIRY FREE AFTERNOON TEA

We are pleased to introduce our gluten & dairy free afternoon tea,
offering a traditional selection of favourites.
Please note that we require 12 hours notice for preparation.

£38.00 per person
£48.00 per person including a glass of champagne & fresh strawberries

A Minimum charge of £15.00 per person applies
All prices are inclusive VAT. A discretionary 12.5% service will be applied.

THE LANESBOROUGH SELECTION OF TEAS

Black Teas

Lanesborough Breakfast Blend

The most popular House blend 'the Tea of the Nation' is rich, strong, fresh tasting, with good colour and flavour. It contains Ceylon for flavour, Assam for strength, and Kenya tea for colour

Lanesborough Afternoon Blend

A lightly effervescent and delightfully aromatic tea that is a Lanesborough institution.

Lapsang Souchong

A blend of our finest Ceylon tea and Lapsang Souchong is the famous smoked tea from the Fujian province of China. The smoky taste comes from the method by which the leaves are dried, in baskets over resinous pine wood fires, giving them that unique smell and taste

Darjeeling (Lingia 2nd Flush)

Darjeeling is known as the 'champagne' of tea. This tea is It is full bodied with a spicy-nutty flavour that is aromatic and expressive in taste, with subtle undertones of muscatel, the sweet white grape taste which identifies a quality Darjeeling.

Ceylon (UVA Highlands)

Probably the best that Ceylon has to offer. Pekoe from the best UVA harvest season

Earl Grey Red Baron

The classic English flavoured tea. A China black tea blended with natural bergamot oil to produce the traditional citrus taste that has now been popular for three centuries

Assam (Towkok)

An absolute top quality Assam from the Sibsagar region in India. It is characterised by a fleshy leaf and a high proportion of golden tips. This tea has low tannin content and a highly aromatic fruity and spicy flavour producing a bright coppery cup.

Rose Congou

The famous black tea with rose petals, producing a delicate flavour and wonderful bouquet.

Chai

A spicy black tea with warming ginger bits, cardamom, cloves, cinnamon, fennel and aniseed

Cinnamon Star

A mix of black and green teas blended with cinnamon and rose

White Teas

Silver Needle

An unprocessed and rare tea that is extremely high in antioxidants. This exceptional white tea from the Chinese Fujian province consists of only the very finest buds. The light yellow and very clear infusion produces a highly aromatic mild taste

Supplement of £2.00

White Rose

An exquisite blend of white, green and oolong tea blended with whole rosebuds

Supplement of £2.00

Oolong Tea

Jade Oolong

An excellent Oolong, presenting an even rolled leaf that provides a vivid yellow infusion

Spa Teas

The Spa Tea range has been specifically developed to provide tailored natural health and wellbeing benefits

Relax

An organic herbal infusion formulated to clam the mind and relax the body. Herbal sedatives such as nettle, St Johns Wart and whitethorn berries are complemented by the fruity taste of orange and lemon.

Energize

A stimulating blend of guarana seeds, pepper and sunflower blossoms providing the perfect pick me up for both body and mind

Passion

An enchanting and exotic herbal tea with fruity passion fruit and ginseng creating the perfect aphrodisiac