

THE
Orangery
RESTAURANT

BY SEARCYS

Afternoon Tea



BLENHEIM PALACE

Afternoon Tea

14.00 – CLOSE

As customs go, none are more quintessentially English than *afternoon tea*. It is said that Anna Russell, 7th Duchess of Bedford and friend of Queen Victoria, invented the ritual in 1840 to keep at bay that “sinking feeling” between lunch and a late evening meal.

Unlike Afternoon Tea, *high tea* wasn’t seen as a luxury, but as an early evening meal eaten to regain one’s strength. Instead of light snacks high tea would usually involve tea, bread, savoury snacks and, occasionally, meat.

OUR TEA SELECTION

Our afternoon tea includes a pot of Jeeves & Jericho Teasmiths of Oxford loose leaf tea or hand-roasted coffee with complimentary refills.

Assam, chamomile and lavender, Ceylon orange pekoe, China jasmine, decaffeinated breakfast, Darjeeling first flush, Earl Grey, English breakfast, gunpowder, mint, Oxford blend, red berry

CHAMPAGNE AND SPARKLING WINE

	150ml	Bottle	Magnum
Prosecco Ca’ del Console, Italy	7.50	35.00	
Greyfriars Cuvée Brut, NV	9.50	42.50	
Searcys Cuvée NV Brut	10.50	52.00	100.00
Searcys Cuvée NV Rosé	12.00	58.00	
Furleigh Estate Blanc de Noirs 2014		68.00	
Drappier Carte D’or, Brut, France		68.00	120.00
Nyetimber, Classic Cuvée		70.00	
Pol Roger NV		75.00	
Nyetimber, Rose Cuvée		80.00	
Laurent Perrier Cuvée Rosé		105.00	

THE ORANGERY AFTERNOON TEA

28.00 per person

Finger sandwiches

Cream cheese, cucumber / egg mayonnaise, English cress / coronation chicken / Searcys smoked salmon, dill, lemon

Scones

Plain buttermilk scones, clotted cream, strawberry jam

Afternoon tea cakes

Pink rhubarb choux bun, passion fruit delice, strawberry macaron, pecan and carrot cake

Selection of individual pastries

Your choice from the cake table

Pot of loose leaf tea or coffee

THE BLenheim HIGH TEA

26.00 per person

Choose one of the following

Blenheim Welsh rarebit, tomato, onion chutney / eggs Royale / eggs Benedict / eggs Florentine

Scones

Plain buttermilk scones, clotted cream, strawberry jam

Afternoon tea cakes

Pink rhubarb choux bun, passion fruit delice, strawberry macaron, pecan and carrot cake

Selection of individual pastries

Your choice from the cake table

Pot of loose leaf tea or coffee

THE CHAMPAGNE AFTERNOON TEA

36.00 per person

The Orangery Afternoon Tea with a glass of Searcys Selected Cuvée Champagne

THE MARLBOROUGH CHAMPAGNE TEA

78.00 per two persons

The Orangery Afternoon Tea with a half bottle of Nyetimber Cuvée English sparkling wine

We are delighted to offer an alternative dietary afternoon tea menu. Please ask a member of staff for our vegan, gluten free (made with gluten free ingredients), or dairy free alternatives.

Dishes described within this menu may contain nuts and other allergens. Please inform us of any allergies or dietary requirements.

A 12.5% discretionary service charge will be added to your final bill. All prices include VAT at 20%.

