

## CATERING

MENU

## MENUS

# INFORMATION 

## SUSTAINABLE SEAFOOD

Seafood is a healthy and delicious way to enjoy the bounties of the sea, though not all seafood is produced responsibly, and making the right choices can be difficult. SSA focuses on working with sustainably sourced seafood in our cafes, restaurants, and catered events.

We also follow the recommendations of the Monterey Bay Aquarium's
Seafood Watch Program, whose guidance helps consumers and businesses make choices for healthy oceans.

## PALM OIL

We recognize the role foodservice operators like us play in the global trade and usage of palm oil - we value efforts to mitigate the environmental and social impacts associated with palm oil production. In-house, we are constantly working to review our purchases for palm oil inclusion and sourcing, and we advocate our supply chains to engage with leading industry groups - SSA is a member of the Roundtable for Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) and we encourage our partners who use palm oil to join this important initiative.

## DIVERSITY-OWNED VENDORS

We celebrate the things that make each one of us different, and work to support the local communities that we partner with. Diversity-ownership of vendors in our supply chain is important to us, and we are developing tools to better evaluate our own engagement, as well as strategize how to include more diversity-owned vendors in our operations. If you are aware of a local vendor in your area that we should be working with, please let your SSA

Account Manager know!

Unless otherwise specified, all menus are priced per person to be enjoyed during the allotted time period while here on-site at Birmingham Zoo. Should you have something different in mind for your catering menu, we are happy to work with our chefs to propose a custom menu that meets your needs - please inquire with your Sales Manager for more information.

## FOOD GUARANTEES

Final guest count is to be advised no later than Ten (10) business days prior to the event date. The final bill will reflect the guarantee or the number served, whichever is greater. If no final guarantee is received, we will consider the estimated guest count indicated on your Banquet Event Order to be your guaranteed number of guests. The guarantee is not subject to reduction after the above deadline. Last minute orders are gladly accepted, but please note due to the need to expedite staffing, orders, and preparations, a late fee may be applied, and availability of certain menu items may be limited.

## LIQUOR \& FOOD SERVICE REGULATIONS

Food \& Beverage cannot be removed from the premises by any party other than the catering department. As a standard, all buffets are served for a 1.5 -hour period, but may be extended on advance request. Please see your Sales Manager for pricing.
SSA Group, LLC. holds the Liquor License at Birmingham Zoo, therefore, liquor, beer, and wine may not be brought into the zoo from outside sources. Liquor, beer, and wine may not be removed from the site. All bars will end 30 minutes prior to event end time.

## CONTRACT \& DEPOSIT

A signed contract detailing all arrangements must be received by SSA Group, LLC. prior to the event date. A deposit equal to $50 \%$ of your venue rental and is due at the time of signing the contract. Deposit payments may be made by cash, credit card, personal check, cashier's check or money order. All deposits made are included in the final invoice.

## FINAL PAYMENT

Final payment is due after the final guest count is received, before the event date. Any additional fees incurred on the day of the event will be applied to the final invoice, and payment is due upon receipt.

## CANCELLATION

Guests must provide written notice prior to canceling this agreement. If such written notice is received by the Birmingham Zoo: (90) days to (31) days prior to the date of the event, $50 \%$ of the total estimated revenue will be due to Birmingham Zoo. Thirty (30) days prior to the date of the event, the guest is responsible for paying the total estimated revenue to Birmingham Zoo.

BLOODY MARY BAR

## RISE \& SHINE

## BREAKFAST

Requires a Minimum Order of 25 Guests
Prices Listed Are Per Person
Food Quantities Must Match Guest Guarantee
GF - Gluten Free / V - Vegetarian | VG - Vegan

## Includes:

Eco-Friendly Compostable Tableware I Orange Juice I Iced Water

## BREAKFAST BUFFETS <br> CONTINENTAL | \$14

Assorted Pastries I Croissants with Butter \& Jam Fresh Seasonal Fruit I Muffins I Yogurt

## TRADITIONAL | \$18

Biscuits with Butter \& Jam
Fresh Sausage Links I Fresh Seasonal Fruit Farm Herbed Breakfast Potatoes I Hickory Smoked Bacon

Scrambled Eggs with Cheese

Assorted Hot Sauces
2 Hours Hosted - \$17/person
4 Hours Hosted - \$22/person

MIMOSA BAR
Orange Juice, Cranberry Juice, Pineapple Juice, Oranges, Blueberries, Strawberries

2 Hours Hosted - \$16/person
4 Hours Hosted - \$21/person

BLOODY MARY \& MIMOSA BAR
2 Hours Hosted - \$22/person | 4 Hours Hosted - \$27/person
ADD-ONS

BISCUITS \& SAUSAGE GRAVY | \$ 4

## CINNAMON ROLLS WITH CREAM CHEESE ICING | \$5

## CROISSANT BREAKFAST SANDWICHES | \$7

Ham I Egg I Cheddar Cheese -OR- Spinach I Tomato I Swiss Cheese
FRESH SEASONAL FRUIT | \$4
HICKORY SMOKED BACON | \$5
PREMIUM WAFFLE BAR | \$8
Assorted Toppings: Chocolate Chips I Fresh Berries
Maple Syrup I Whipped Cream
Add Chicken for \$4
SAUSAGE LINKS | \$5

SCRAMBLED EGGS | \$4
SOUTHERN STYLE CHEESE GRITS | \$4
BEVERAGES
APPLE JUICE | \$
CRANBERRY JUICE | $\$ 2$

20 persons minimum. For quantities under 20 guests, an additional fee will be assessed. All prices are subject to service charge \& tax.

## MAKE IT A

## PICNIC

Menus are served for 1.5 hours
Food Quantities Must Match Guest Guarantee
Prices listed are per person

## Includes:

Eco-Friendly Compostable Tableware I Kettle Chips I Sweet Tea I Iced Water

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## THE CLASSIC | $\$ 20$

Angus Beef Burgers | All Beef Hot Dogs I Cookies
Served with: Buns, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Cheese and Condiments

## SOUTHERN BBQ | $\$ 22$

Pulled Pork | Grilled Chicken Breast | Brownies
Served with: Buns, Pickles, Onions, BBQ Sauce

## THE SMOKEHOUSE | \$ 24

BBQ Chicken Quarters I Grilled Pork Ribs
Cornbread Muffins I Pecan Bars

SIDES
Select (2)
Baked Beans (v)
Fresh Seasonal Fruit
Mac \& Cheese (v)
Coleslaw (GF,V)
Potato Salad (GF)
Macaroni Salad
Mixed Greens Salad
Served with Balsamic Vinaigrette or
Herbed Ranch
Add Additional Side Item for $\$ 4$ per person

## LUNCHES

## $\$ 16$ PER PERSON

Options Available for Drop-Off or Pick-Up Only,
Maximum of 150 Guests
Food Quantities Must Match Guest Guarantee
Select up to (1) Salad and (1) Sandwich per event
Includes:
Bottled Water I Freshly Baked Cookie I Potato Chips I Whole Fruit

## SALADS

Add Grilled Chicken for $\$ 5$ Per Person
MEDITERRANEAN GREENS SALAD (GF,V)
Feta Cheese I Mozzarella Cheese I Olives
Pepitas I Red Peppers I Balsamic Dressing

## MIXED GREEN SALAD (vg)

Carrots I Cucumbers I Grape Tomatoes
Apple Cider Vinaigrette

## CLASSIC CAESAR SALAD

Cracked Pepper I Herb Croutons Shaved Parmesan I Caesar Dressing

## SANDWICHES

## CLASSIC BLT

Applewood Smoked Bacon I Lettuce I Tomato I Herb Aïoli
HAM \& SWISS SANDWICH
Mayonnaise I Mustard

## ROASTED CHICKEN SALAD SANDWICH

Lettuce I Tomato I Whole Grain Bread

## ROASTED VEGETABLE SANDWICH

Seasonal Vegetables | Balsamic Aïoli

## TURKEY AND CHEDDAR SANDWICH

Lettuce | Mayonnaise | Mustard I Tomato | Whole Grain Bread

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## B U F F E T S

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## Includes:

Eco-Friendly Disposable Tableware I Sweet Tea I Iced Water
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## ALL-AMERICAN | $\$ 19$

Mixed Greens Salad with Herbed Ranch

## Herb Roasted Chicken with Pan Sauce

Garlic Mashed Potatoes | Green Beans with Shallot | Rolls with Butter
Served with: Brownies

## BYO TACO BUFFET | \$20

Southwest Salad with Jalapeño Ranch
Choice of:
Carnitas OR Grilled Chicken
Assorted Salsas | Black Beans | Flour and Corn Tortillas I Lettuce I Guacamole Shredded Cheese I Sour Cream I Yellow Rice

Served with: Cinnamon Sugar Churros

## MEDITERRANEAN | \$22

Greek Style Salad Chicken Shwarma | Traditional Lamb Gyros

Chips I Pita Bread
Toppings Include:
Feta Cheese I Lettuce I Red Onion I Tomato I Tzatziki Sauce
Served with: Baklava

## SANDWICH \& SALAD |\$18

Garden Salad
Assortment of:
Roasted Chicken Salad Seasonal Vegetable Wrap

Turkey Bacon Club
Kettle Chips I Pasta Salad
Served with: Freshly Baked Cookies

WHEN IN ROME |\$22
Classic Caesar Salad
Baked Ziti Primavera | Classic Chicken Parmigiana
Fettuccine Alfredo
Roasted Vegetables
Add Chicken for $\$ 5$ per person
Add Shrimp for $\$ 7$ per person
Served with: Garlic Bread Cannolis

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## PACKAGES

Our Meeting Package includes everything you need for a successful event in one of Birmingham's most inspiring and unique venues. Birmingham Zoo offers a one of a kind experience, distinctive menus and a beautiful atmosphere making every event noteworthy.

Audio Visual \& Stationery Available Upon Request
Venue Rental Sold Seperately

## HALF-DAY

Up to 4 Hours, \$52.99 Per Person
ZOO ADMISSION TICKETS
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
Assorted Pastries I Croissants I Fresh Seasonal Fruit
Muffins I Yogurt
BEVERAGE SERVICE
Includes: Coffee, Water, and Assorted Coca-Cola Products

## LUNCH BUFFET

Refer to page 3 for menus
Select (1) buffet option below:
All American
Mediterranean
When in Rome
BYO Taco Buffet
Sandwich \& Salad

## FULL DAY

Up to 8 Hours, \$59.99 Per Person Includes all Options from Half-Day Package

## In addition:

## AFTERNOON SNACK

Select any item from the
Take a Break Zoo Snacks

TAKE A
BREAK
All Snacks \& Beverages are Served for 1.5 hours Requires a minimum order of 10 guests

Prices Listed are per person

## ZOO SNACKS

## * ASSORTED CHEESE \& CRACKERS \$7 FRESH POPPED POPCORN \$4 HUMMUS \$4 <br> PRETZEL TWISTS WITH RED PEPPER \$4

 SWEET \& SAVORY SNACK MIX \$4BROWNIES $\$ 3$ COTTON CANDY \$5 FRESHLY BAKED COOKIES \$4 FROZEN LEMONADE \$6 ICE CREAM NOVELTIES \$5 RICE CRISPY TREATS \$4

## BEVERAGES

## AQUA BARS \$4 per person

## © Citrus Infused - Lemon | Limes | Oranges

$\underset{U}{ } \quad$ Cool \& Refreshing - Cucumber | Mint Very Berry - Blueberries | Strawberries

HOT CHOCOLATE BAR $\$ 8$ per person
Butterscotch Chips | Candy Canes | Caramel Syrup | Chocolate Syrup Cinnamon | Crushed Oreos | Mini Chocolate Chips | Mini Marshmallows Mint Chocolate Chips

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EVENING
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## STARTERS \&

## HORS D'OEVRES

Tray Passed Service for up to (1) Hour
Station Service for up to (1.5) Hours
Additional Passer Fee of $\$ 125$ per (1) Passer | (1) Passer Required per (50) Guests
Minimum Quantity Must Match Guest Guarantee | (25) Piece Minimum Required

## Includes:

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## MEAT

CHICKEN POTSTICKERS
with sweet chili sauce
\$4 passed \$8 stationed
CHICKEN SALAD PHYLLO CUPS
with bacon jam
$\$ 3$ passed $\$ 6$ stationed
MINI MACARONI \& CHEESE
with crumbled bacon
\$4 passed \$8 stationed
PORK BELLY BAO BUNS
with Asian slaw
\$5 passed \$10 stationed
PULLED PORK SLIDERS
with crispy onions \& white BBO sauce
\$4 passed \$8 stationed
STEAK \& CILANTRO EMPANADAS
with a chipotle dipping sauce
\$4 passed \$8 stationed

SEAFOOD

## SEARED TUNA \& AVOCADO CROSTIN

with ginger lime crema
$\$ 5$ passed $\$ 10$ stationed
SHRIMP \& GRITS (GF)
with jalapeño cheese grits, beer-poached shrimp \& tasso gravy
$\$ 5$ passed $\$ 10$ stationed

## VEGETARIAN

BLACK BEAN TOSTADA ( $G, v$ )
with cilantro lime slaw \& cojita cheese
$\$ 3$ passed $\$ 6$ stationed
CAPRESE MINI SALAD (GF,V)
with grape tomatoes \& fresh mozzarella
$\$ 3$ passed $\$ 6$ stationed
GRILLED CHEESE TRIANGLE (V)
with tomato soup shooter
\$3 passed \$6 stationed
SPINACH \& FETA SPANAKOPITA ( $v$ )
\$3 passed \$6 stationed
TOMATO BASIL BRUSCHETTA (VG)
with seasonal tomatoes and a balsamic glaze on crostini
$\$ 4$ passed \$8 stationed

## VEGETABLE SPRING ROLL (V)

with sesame-soy glaze
$\$ 3$ passed \$6 stationed

MAC N' CHEESE BAR|\$18
Cavatappi Pasta with Aged Cheddar Sauce
Grilled Chicken and Pork
Toppings Include:
Bacon I Bleu Cheese Crumbles I Fried Onions I Grilled Chicken Pulled Pork | Roasted Tomatoes I Truffle Bread Crumbs | Scallions

## STATIONS \&

## DISPLAYS

Food Quantities Must Match Guest Guarantee
Prices listed are per person

## Includes:

Eco-Friendly Disposable Tableware I Sweet Tea I Iced Water

## SMALL BITES

BREADS \& SPREADS | 12
Fresh Vegetables I Pita I Tortilla Chips
Served with: Buffalo Chicken Dip I Spinach-Artichoke Fondue

## SOUTHERN CHARCUTERIE BOARD | \$14

Assortment of Cured Meats | Olives
Pickled Vegetables I Pimento Cheese
Served with: Selection of Toasted Breads

## SWEET LIFE CHARCUTERIE BOARD | \$ 12

Assorted Seasonal Fruit
Toppings Include:
Cream Cheese Fruit Dip I Minted Yogurt Dip I Salted Caramel Sauce

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## EVENING <br> BUFFETS

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Eco-Friendly Compostable Tableware I Bread \& Butter I Iced Water I Sweet Tea

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Tier 1 Buffet | \$45
SELECT TWO

POTATO GNOCCHI (v)
Truffled Wild Mushroom Ragout

## ROASTED NEW YORK STRIPLOIN

Demi-Glace and Horseradish Sauce

## SEARED CHICKEN BREAST

Wild Mushroom \& White Wine Sauce

## SEARED SALMON

Pistachio-Almond Romesco

THYME MARINATED PORK LOIN
Cherry Port Wine Sauce

## Tier 3 Buffet | \$32

SELECT TWO

BAKED CAVATAPPI (V)
Grilled Vegetables, Marinara, Mozzarella

## FRIED CATFISH

Remoulade and Tartar Sauce

## HARDWOOD-SMOKED BEEF BRISKET

Caramelized Onion \& Mushroom Cream Sauce

Tier 2 Buffet | \$38
SELECT TWO

## APPLE BRINED PORK LOIN

Caramelized Onion \& Roasted Apples
CHEESE TORTELLINI (V)
Alfredo I Mushroom I Spinach I Tomato

HERB CRUSTED SALMON
Plaki Sauce
ROASTED SIRLOIN
Horseradish Cream Sauce

## SEARED CHICKEN

Peppered Onion I Honey Gastrique
with Pan Sauce

## SLOW-ROASTED PORK

Chimichurri Sauce

## SALADS select one

## BABY SPINACH <br> ( $G F, V$ )

Cranberries I Goat Cheese I Olive Oil I Red Onion
Balsamic Vinaigrette
BIBB ( $V$ )
Fried Onion I Grape Tomatoes I Shaved Carrots I Herbed Ranch

## CAESAR

Croutons I Shaved Parmesan I Caesar Dressing

## FIELD GREENS ( $G f, v g$ )

Cucumber I Grape Tomato I Shaved Red Onion
Herb White Balsamic Vinaigrette

## ICEBERG (GF)

Blue Cheese Crumbles I Red Onion I Rendered Bacon I Tomato Balsamic Dressing

## VEGETABLES

BROCCOLI WITH LEMON BUTTER ROASTED BRUSSELS SPROUTS

GRILLED ASPARAGUS SHALLOT BUTTER GREEN BEANS

HONEY-GLAZED CARROTS

## STARCHES

| BOURSIN MACARONI \& CHEESE | ROASTED ROOT VEGETABLES | (GF,V) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| GARLIC MASHED POTATOES (GF,V) | ROASTED SWEET POTATOES | (GE,V) |

## HERB ROASTED POTATOES ( $G, V$ )

DESSERT

| BANANA PUDDING | MINI CHEESECAKE |
| :--- | :--- |
| BOURBON CARAMEL BREAD PUDDING | TIRAMISU |
| LIMONCELLO BAR | SEASONAL FRUIT COBBLER WITH WHIPPED TOPPING |

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## ENTRÉE

SELECT ONE

## ALMOND CRUSTED LAMBCHOPS

PLATED

## DINNER

\$65 per person
REQUIRES CHINA RENTAL - PRICING DEPENDENT ON MENU SELECTION
Includes:
Bread \& Butter I Iced Water I Sweet Tea

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## SALAD

SELECT ONE

BIBB LETTUCE (v)
Grape Tomato I Shaved Carrots I Fried Onions I Herbed Ranch

## FRISÉE BLT

Heirloom Tomato | Chive I Crouton I Bacon Vinaigrette

## KALE CAESAR

Shaved Parmesan I Focaccia Crouton I Roasted Tomato I Caesar Dressing
ROASTED BEET SALAD (gf,v)
Arugula I Goat Cheese I Orange I Candied Pecan I Citrus Vinaigrette
WEDGE STYLE (GF)
Tomato I Pickled Red Onion I Crumbled Bacon Blue Cheese Dressing I Balsamic Glaze

BRAISED SHORT RIB (GF)
Garlic Mashed Potatoes | Roasted Root Vegetables

## BROILED RED FISH (GF)

Artichoke \& Wild Mushroom Ragout | Roasted Baby Potatoes | Vierge Sauce
BUTTERNUT SQUASH STEAK ( $v$ )
Brown Butter I Sautéed Spinach I Sage Sauce

## CRISPY DUCK CONFIT (GF)

Brussels Sprouts I Sweet Potato Mash I Orange Fig Glaze

## HARDWOOD GRILLED PORK CHOP (GF)

Broccolini | Parsnip Purée I Apple Gastrique

## NY STRIP STEAK

Broccolini I Garlic Mashed Potatoes I Herb Compound Butter

## SEARED CHICKEN BREAST (GF)

Pancetta-Swiss Chard I Sweet Corn Purée I Pan Jus
SEARED SALMON (GF)
Asparagus with Lemon-Caper Beurre Blanc I Fingerling Potatoes

## DESSERT

SELECT ONE
CHOCOLATE DECADENCE CAKE with Raspberry Sauce (GF)
PIÑA COLADA CAKE with Caramelized Pineapple
S'MORES CAKE with Whipped Cream \& Chocolate SOUTHERN STYLE PECAN APPLE TART with Bourbon-Banana Cream STRAWBERRY SYMPHONY CHEESECAKE with Berry Compote

## ADD-ONS

Additional Entreé Selection - \$15 Per Person
Upgrade Entreé Selection to Duo - Please inquire for pricing
CUSTOM MENUS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

## BAR

## SERVICES

Security is required for all events with alcohol The number of guards needed is at discretion of Taste Catering and varies based on venue and guest count.

Flat Fee of $\$ 200$ per Guard
*Alcohol Options May Vary Depending on Availability*

## HOST BAR

The costs for bar services and drinks are
paid for by the event host.
Pricing is per person, 21 years \& older
$\$ 100$ per Bartender for 2 Hours $\$ 200$ per Bartender for 4 Hours

## BEER \& WINE BAR

2-Hour Bar $\$ 22$ per person | 4-hour Bar $\$ 32$ per person
Assorted Domestic \& Craft Beers | Standard Red \& White Wines | Bottled Water

## STANDARD BAR

2-Hour Bar $\$ 29$ per person | 4-hour Bar $\$ 39$ per person Assorted Domestic \& Craft Beers | Red \& White Wines
Standard Spirits | Basic Mixers \& Soft Drinks | Bottled Water

## PREMIUM BAR

2-Hour Bar $\$ 36$ per person | 4-hour Bar $\$ 46$ per person Assorted Domestic \& Craft Beers | Red \& White Wines
Premium Spirits | Basic Mixers \& Assorted Soft Drinks | Bottled Water

## STANDARD \& PREMIUM SPIRITS

Includes the Following:
Bourbon | Gin | Rum | Scotch | Tequila | Vodka | Whiskey

## CONSUMPTION BAR

\$500 Minimum \& Bartender Fees Due in Advance \$200 per Bartende
Balance to be Paid After the Event
$\sum$ Beer 1 \$7
Craft Beer 1 \$9
Wine I \$10

- Liquor I \$11
Canned Soda I \$4


## CASH BAR

The cost for bar services is paid for by the event host. Guests 21 \& over will be responsible for purchasing their drinks. $\$ 200$ per Bartender | $\$ 150$ per Cashier
Beer I \$8
Craft Beer I \$9
Wine I \$9
Liquor $1 \$ 10$

Canned Soda I \$4

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Craft Beer I $10
Wine I $11
Liquor | $12
                            Canned Soda | $4
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## BARTENDER FEE

- CONSUMPTION \& HOSTED BAR Requires (1) Bartender per (100) Guests

Requires a Bartender Fee of \$200
up to (2) Hours of Service, per Bartender
\& Includes Bar Set-Up

- CASH BAR -

Requires (1) Bartender per (100) Guests and (1) Cashier per (100) Guests
Requires a Bartender Fee of \$200 and a Cashier fee of \$150
up to (2) Hours of Service, per Bartender \& Includes Bar Set-Up


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