



CROWNE PLAZA®

AN IHG® HOTEL

ALBANY – THE DESMOND HOTEL

2024 CATERING MENUS



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CATERING AT CROWNE PLAZA ALBANY – THE DESMOND HOTEL

BREAKFAST





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BUFFET

MINIMUM OF 25 ATTENDEES REQUIRED FOR ALL BUFFETS

THE BREAKFAST BUFFET | \$ 28 per guest

- ▶ Diced seasonal fruits
- ▶ Variety of individual oatmeals
- ▶ Scrambled eggs with chives
- ▶ Hardwood smoked bacon
- ▶ O'Brien breakfast potatoes
- ▶ Variety of bagels with butter, cream cheese & jams
- ▶ Chef's daily breakfast pastries*
- ▶ Assorted juices
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea

THE STATESMAN | \$ 31 per guest

- ▶ Diced seasonal fruits
- ▶ Variety of individual oatmeals
- ▶ Scrambled eggs with chives
- ▶ Hardwood smoked bacon
- ▶ O'Brien breakfast potatoes
- ▶ Silver dollar pancakes, with warm maple syrup
- ▶ Assorted yogurts
- ▶ Chef's daily breakfast pastries*
- ▶ Variety of bagels with butter, cream cheese & jams
- ▶ Assorted juices
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea

**Chef's daily selection of breakfast pastries will feature items such as freshly baked fruit breads, cheese and fruit Danish, petite coffee cakes, and rugelach*



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BRUNCH BUFFET | \$ 41 per guest

BREAKFAST STATION

- ▶ Scrambled eggs with chives
- ▶ Hardwood smoked bacon
- ▶ O'Brien breakfast potatoes
- ▶ Sliced seasonal fruit
- ▶ Chef's daily breakfast pastries*
- ▶ Assorted bagels with cream cheese, fruit preserves, honey & butter

SALAD STATION

- ▶ Chilled Gulf shrimp, cheese-filled tortellini, remoulade dressing
- ▶ Oriental salad, lo mein, Asian vegetables, soy vinaigrette

ENTREES & SIDES

- ▶ Chicken Marsala with wild mushrooms
- ▶ Herbed Salmon with dill Hollandaise
- ▶ Leek & spinach lattice pastry
- ▶ Chef's choice of seasonal vegetable

DESSERT

- ▶ Assortment of mini-Viennese pastries

BEVERAGES

- ▶ Assorted juices
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea

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PLATED



THE TRADITIONAL | \$ 25 per guest

- ▶ Scrambled eggs with chives
- ▶ Hardwood smoked bacon
- ▶ O'Brien breakfast potatoes
- ▶ Chef's daily breakfast pastries*
- ▶ Simply™ orange juice
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf & tea

MARYLAND EGGS BENEDICT | \$ 31 per guest

- ▶ Maryland style crab cakes topped with scrambled eggs and Hollandaise
- ▶ Hardwood smoked bacon
- ▶ O'Brien breakfast potatoes
- ▶ Simply™ orange juice
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf & tea

THE WILLIAMSBURG | \$ 26 per guest

- ▶ Scrambled eggs with chives
- ▶ Silver dollar pancakes, with warm maple syrup
- ▶ Hardwood smoked bacon
- ▶ O'Brien breakfast potatoes
- ▶ Chef's daily breakfast pastries*
- ▶ Simply™ orange juice
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf & tea

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Small group fee of \$75 applies for groups of 20 and under

ENHANCEMENTS

**TURKEY BACON
OR SAUSAGE** | \$ 3 per guest

HARD BOILED EGGS | \$ 20 per dozen

- ▶ One dozen, chilled

**SMOKED SALMON
PRESENTATION** | \$ 10 per guest with buffet
\$ 13 per guest à la carte

- ▶ Accompanied by bagels, cream cheese, sliced tomato, red onion, chopped hard-boiled egg, capers



BREAKFAST

STATIONS

STATIONS CANNOT BE SERVED AS STANDALONE ITEMS, THEY MUST BE SERVED IN CONJUNCTION WITH A BREAKFAST MENU

***OMELET STATION** | \$ 12 per guest

- ▶ Made to order with choice of mushrooms, ham, cheese, diced onions, peppers and other accompaniments

**Chef attended, Chef's Fee of \$150 applies; minimum of 25 attendees required*

MIMOSA STATION | \$ 15 per guest

- ▶ Simply™ orange juice, champagne, fresh fruit garnishes

Minimum of 25 attendees required, 2 hour service time



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BREAKS





BREAKS

MORNING

ALL BREAKS ARE BASED ON 1 AND ½ HOURS OF SERVICE

MORNING BREAK | \$ 17 per guest

- ▶ Freshly baked fruit breads
- ▶ Petite coffee cakes
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea

THE CONTINENTAL | \$ 22 per guest

- ▶ Chef's daily breakfast pastries*
- ▶ Orange & cranberry juices
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea
- ▶ Choose (2) of the following: Assorted yogurts | Diced seasonal fruit | Breakfast bars | Seasonal whole fruit

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HEARTY CONTINENTAL | \$ 26 per guest

- ▶ Chef's daily breakfast pastries*
- ▶ Hardwood smoked bacon
- ▶ Scrambled eggs with chives
- ▶ Orange & cranberry juices
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea

Minimum of 10, maximum of 25 attendees required
Add turkey bacon or turkey sausage **for \$3 per guest**

THE NATURAL | \$ 20 per guest

- ▶ Assorted yogurts
- ▶ Assorted granola bars
- ▶ Seasonal whole fruit
- ▶ Infused water station, flavors vary
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea

BREAKS

AFTERNOON

ALL BREAKS ARE BASED ON 1 AND ½ HOURS OF SERVICE

THE INTERMISSION | \$ 21 per guest

- ▶ Bottled water, assorted sodas & flavored seltzers
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea
- ▶ Choose (1) of the following: Premium cheese display with fruit | Brownies & cookies | Trio of hummus with pita chips | Individually bagged peanuts & popcorn | Apple cider, apple cider doughnuts & whole apples (seasonal option)

ADIRONDACK TRAIL | \$ 14 per guest

- ▶ Individually bagged trail mix
- ▶ Assorted flavored seltzers

SWEET STREET | \$ 21 per guest

- ▶ Brownies & cookies
- ▶ Assorted miniature candy bars
- ▶ Assorted sodas & flavored seltzers
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea

BALL PARK | \$ 18 per guest

- ▶ Warm pretzel sticks and stoneground mustard
- ▶ Individually bagged popcorn and Cracker Jack®
- ▶ Assorted sodas & flavored seltzers

Add freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea **for \$6 per guest**

HANDCRAFTED MOUSSE BAR | \$ 18 per guest

- ▶ Traditional chocolate mousse
- ▶ Peanut butter mousse
- ▶ Assorted toppings: whipped cream, salted whipped cream, mini M&M®s, crushed Oreos®, crushed peppermints, mini marshmallows, Heath® bar crunch, caramel sauce, fudge sauce
- ▶ Assorted sodas & flavored seltzers

Add freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea **for \$6 per guest**





BREAKS

ANYTIME

AM/PM BEVERAGE PACKAGE | \$ 22 per guest

- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea
- ▶ Assorted sodas & flavored seltzers
- ▶ Bottled water

Based on (1) 1 ½ hour service in the morning and (1) 1 ½ hour service in the afternoon

MAKE YOUR OWN YOGURT PARFAIT BAR | \$ 20 per guest

- ▶ Flavored yogurts, fresh berries, granola
- ▶ Bottled water
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea

Based on 1 and ½ hours of service



À LA CARTE ITEMS



- ▶ Coffee, decaf and tea package
\$9 per guest
- ▶ Coffee, decaf, tea, bottled water & soda package
\$13 per guest
- ▶ Bottled water and soda package
\$6 per guest
- ▶ Infused water station, flavors vary
\$4 per guest
- ▶ Assorted sodas
\$5 each
- ▶ Bottled water
\$5 each
- ▶ Bottled seltzers
\$5 each
- ▶ Assorted yogurts
\$67 per dozen
- ▶ Bagels with cream cheese, fruit preserves, honey and butter
\$46 per dozen
- ▶ Whole seasonal fruit
\$33 per dozen
- ▶ Hard boiled eggs
\$21 per dozen
- ▶ Assorted freshly baked cookies
\$38 per dozen
- ▶ Assorted freshly baked brownies
\$38 per dozen
- ▶ Individually bagged pretzels
\$4 each
- ▶ Individually bagged chips
\$4 each
- ▶ Individually bagged roasted peanuts or trail mix
\$4 each
- ▶ Novelty ice cream bars
\$6 each
- ▶ Premium ice cream bars
\$7 each

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LUNCH



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BOX LUNCH

BOXED LUNCH | \$ 32 per guest

Choice of sandwiches:

- ▶ Ham & Swiss cheese croissant roll
- ▶ Turkey croissant roll
- ▶ Grilled vegetable wrap

Served with individual portions of coleslaw, potato chips, whole fruit, & brownie
Choice of soda or bottled water





LUNCH

LUNCH BUFFET

ALL BUFFET LUNCHES COME WITH FRESHLY BREWED COFFEE, DECAF AND TEA
MINIMUM OF 10 ATTENDEES REQUIRED

SANDWICH BUFFET | \$ 32 per guest

- ▶ Soup du jour
- ▶ Assorted sandwiches
- ▶ Pasta salad
- ▶ Tossed salad
- ▶ Half sour pickles
- ▶ Individually bagged potato chips
- ▶ Cookies & brownies
- ▶ Assorted sodas and flavored seltzers



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ALL BUFFET LUNCHES COME WITH FRESHLY BREWED COFFEE, DECAF AND TEA
MINIMUM OF 25 ATTENDEES REQUIRED

A TASTE OF ITALY | \$37 per guest

- ▶ Caesar salad
- ▶ Vegetarian antipasto
- ▶ Italian meat stromboli
- ▶ Toasted garlic bread

Entrées:

- ▶ Chicken parmesan
- ▶ Cheese tortellini, toasted sweet sausage, marinara
- ▶ Penne, broccoli rabe, roasted tomatoes

Desserts:

- ▶ Desmond bread pudding with English custard
- ▶ Mini Viennese pastries
- ▶ Petite cheesecakes

HOMESTYLE FAVORITES | \$37 per guest

- ▶ Corn chowder
- ▶ Desmond salad presentation
- ▶ Smoked turkey wild rice salad, dried cherries, walnuts, raspberry vinaigrette

Entrées:

- ▶ Traditional meatloaf
- ▶ Mashed potatoes
- ▶ Salmon fillet Florentine
- ▶ Roasted, spiced butternut squash

Desserts:

- ▶ Desmond bread pudding with English custard
- ▶ Mini Viennese pastries
- ▶ Petite cheesecakes



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AUTHENTIC JAMAICAN | \$ 37 per guest

- ▶ Cucumber & tomato salad, mayonnaise, romaine
- ▶ Caribbean salad: mandarin oranges, dried cranberries, pineapple, cilantro, honey lime dressing
- ▶ Jamaican-style potato salad: Cajun spicy, hard-boiled eggs

Entrées:

- ▶ Escovitch fish: fresh white fillet, Jamaican herbs, pickled vegetables
- ▶ Jerked chicken: housemade rub
- ▶ Rasta pasta: creamy, jerked seasoned penne
- ▶ Island rice & beans
- ▶ Jamaican cabbage: diced peppers & tomatoes

Desserts:

- ▶ Grandma's sweet potato pudding
- ▶ Pineapple upside-down cake
- ▶ Petite cheesecakes

A TASTE OF FRANCE | \$ 41 per guest

- ▶ French onion soup
- ▶ Salad presentation: mesclun greens, crumbled goat cheese, olives, chopped bacon, croutons, watermelon radishes, shredded carrots, golden raisins, French dressing, champagne vinaigrette

Entrées:

- ▶ Spinach & leek lattice pastry
- ▶ Chicken coq au vin
- ▶ Beef tips marsala
- ▶ Scalloped potatoes
- ▶ Broccoli veronique

Desserts:

- ▶ Desmond bread pudding with English custard
- ▶ Mini Viennese pastries
- ▶ Petite cheesecakes

Recipes created by our in-house Jamaican Chef

PLATED COLD LUNCHES

ALL PLATED COLD LUNCHES COME WITH ROLLS AND FRESHLY BREWED COFFEE, DECAF AND TEA

ENTRÉES – \$31 per guest

- ▶ Caesar Salad – romaine, parmesan cheese, croutons, traditional dressing, choice of grilled chicken or shrimp
- ▶ Peppered Turkey Wrap – peppered turkey breast, provolone cheese, cranberry mayonnaise, herb tortilla, with side penne pasta salad
- ▶ Blueberry Chicken Salad Sandwich – chicken salad with dried blueberries & walnuts, New York cheddar cheese, ciabatta bread, with side pasta salad
- ▶ Grilled Chicken Breast Salad – mixed greens, chilled herb oil brushed chicken breast, spinach leek pastry triangle, marinated artichokes, oven roasted tomatoes, fire roasted peppers, balsamic vinaigrette
- ▶ Italian Hero – Italian sliced deli meats, aged provolone, roasted peppers, mixed greens, zesty vinaigrette, grilled focaccia

DESSERTS

Choose One:

- ▶ Traditional Chocolate Layer Cake – chocolate cake & chocolate mousse
- ▶ New York Style Cheesecake – raspberry coulis
- ▶ Salted Caramel Vanilla Crunch Cake – caramel cake & cream custard
- ▶ Big Apple Pie – cinnamon apple cider filling & granola crumb topping
- ▶ Flourless Chocolate Torte (GF) – raspberry coulis
- ▶ Lemon Cake – lemon mousse & Meyer lemon curd

Small Group Fee of \$75 applies for groups of 20 and under. Higher price prevails for all if multiple entrees are selected.



PLATED HOT LUNCHES

ALL PLATED HOT LUNCHES COME WITH CHEF'S DAILY VEGETABLE, ROLLS AND FRESHLY BREWED COFFEE, DECAF AND TEA

APPETIZERS

Choose One:

- ▶ Tossed Garden Salad – mixed greens, tomatoes, cucumbers, croutons, honey mustard vinaigrette
- ▶ Caesar Salad – romaine, parmesan cheese, croutons, traditional Caesar dressing

DESSERTS

Choose One:

- ▶ Traditional Chocolate Layer Cake – chocolate cake & chocolate mousse
- ▶ New York Style Cheesecake – raspberry coulis
- ▶ Salted Caramel Vanilla Crunch Cake – caramel cake & cream custard
- ▶ Big Apple Pie – cinnamon apple cider filling & granola crumb topping
- ▶ Flourless Chocolate Torte (GF) – raspberry coulis
- ▶ Lemon Cake – lemon mousse & Meyer lemon curd

ENTRÉES - \$36 per guest

- ▶ Penne Mediterranean – penne pasta, seasonal vegetables, kalamata olives, artichokes, roasted red peppers, herbed garlic olive oil
- ▶ Roasted Vegetable Tortellini Primavera – cheese tortellini, zucchini, summer squash, root vegetables, asparagus, garlic cream sauce
- ▶ Chicken Teriyaki – boneless grilled chicken breast, saffron rice
- ▶ Spanakopita Chicken – baked with spinach & feta, kataifi garnish, Mornay sauce, roasted red potatoes
- ▶ Maple Dijon Salmon – oven roasted Atlantic fillet, maple syrup, dijon mustard, caviar rice
- ▶ Hoisin Glazed Salmon – served over Asian vegetable stir fry, lemongrass scented rice
- ▶ Angus Sirloin Meatloaf – homestyle mashed potatoes, rosemary demi glace

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RECEPTIONS





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CHILLED HORS D'OEUVRES

ALL SOLD IN INCREMENTS OF 25

- ▶ Cherry Tomato Stuffed with Sugar-rubbed Bacon & Garlic Aioli
\$6 each
- ▶ Cucumber Goat Cheese Mousse Bite
\$6 each
- ▶ Plum Tomato & Ciligene Mozzarella Kabobs
\$6 each
- ▶ Assorted Sushi
\$7 each
- ▶ Chilled Tenderloin Croûstades
\$7 each
- ▶ Prosciutto Canapés
\$7 each
- ▶ Smoked Salmon Canapés with Capers & Onions
\$7 each
- ▶ Shrimp Cocktail Canapés
\$7 each
- ▶ Waffle Fry topped with Maine Lobster Salad
\$7 each

RECEPTIONS

HOT HORS D'OEUVRES

ALL SOLD IN INCREMENTS OF 25

- ▶ Arancini Balls
\$5 each
- ▶ Chicken Pot Pie Tartlets
\$5 each
- ▶ Cocktail Franks en Croûte
\$5 each
- ▶ Roasted Vegetable Tarts
\$5 each
- ▶ Spanakopita
\$5 each
- ▶ Vegetable Empañadas
\$5 each
- ▶ Chicken Filets with Sweet & Sour Sauce
\$6 each
- ▶ Chicken Quesadillas
\$6 each
- ▶ Crab Rangoons
\$6 each
- ▶ Teriyaki Chicken Skewer
\$6 each
- ▶ Bacon-Wrapped Chicken Skewer with Horseradish Sauce
\$7 each
- ▶ Bacon-Wrapped Scallops
\$7 each
- ▶ Southwest Steak Tortilla Crisps
\$7 each
- ▶ Clams Casino
\$7 each
- ▶ Oysters Rockefeller
\$7 each
- ▶ Petite Lamb Chops
\$7 each
- ▶ Truffled Potato Pancakes with Duck Confit
\$7 each



RECEPTIONS

HORS D'OEUVRES PACKAGES

PACKAGES ARE BASED ON A 1 HOUR RECEPTION TIME



OPTION ONE | \$41 per guest

- ▶ CRUDITÉ PRESENTATION –
assortment of raw vegetables including
cauliflower, broccoli, cherry tomatoes, celery
sticks and carrot sticks with dill dip
- ▶ CHEESE DISPLAY –
variety of imported and domestic cheeses,
assorted crackers
- ▶ FIVE BUTLER PASSED HORS D'OEUVRES –
bacon-wrapped scallops
cucumber goat cheese mousse bites
chilled tenderloin croûstades
chicken quesadillas
spanakopita

OPTION TWO | \$49 per guest

- ▶ ARTISAN CHEESE DISPLAY –
local and imported hand-crafted cheeses,
sliced fruit, sliced baguettes, assorted crackers,
honey, fruit preserves
- ▶ CHARCUTERIE PRESENTATION –
variety of local and imported sausages, cured
meats, pâtés, mustards, jams, spreads and
breads
- ▶ FIVE BUTER PASSED HORS D'OEUVRES –
shrimp cocktail canapés
southwest steak tortilla crisps
plum tomato & ciligene mozzarella kabobs
spanakopita
bacon-wrapped scallops

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RECEPTIONS

DISPLAYS & PRESENTATIONS

CRUDITÉ PRESENTATION | \$ 11 per guest

- ▶ Assortment of raw vegetables including cauliflower, broccoli, cherry tomatoes, celery sticks and carrot sticks with dill dip

CHEESE DISPLAY | \$ 12 per guest

- ▶ Variety of imported and domestic cheeses, assorted crackers

ARTISAN CHEESE DISPLAY | \$ 19 per guest

- ▶ Local and imported hand-crafted cheeses, sliced fruit, sliced baguettes, assorted crackers, honey, fruit preserves

CHARCUTERIE PRESENTATION | \$19 per guest

- ▶ Variety of local and imported sausages, cured meats, pâtés, mustards, jams, spreads and breads

VEGETARIAN ANTIPASTI DISPLAY | \$ 14 per guest

- ▶ Trio of hummus, pita chips, olive tapenade, roasted peppers, marinated artichoke hearts, mushrooms, assorted olives, chilled grilled seasonal vegetables, sliced provolone

ANTIPASTI DISPLAY | \$ 16 per guest

- ▶ Variety of local and imported sausages, Italian meats, trio of hummus, pita chips, olive tapenade, roasted peppers, marinated artichoke hearts, mushrooms, assorted olives, chilled grilled seasonal vegetables, sliced provolone

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DISPLAYS & PRESENTATIONS

*SEAFOOD PRESENTATIONS

- ▶ Clams on the half shell
\$6 each
- ▶ Oysters on the half shell
\$6 each
- ▶ Jumbo Iced Gulf shrimp
\$7 each

*Sold in increments of 25. Served with appropriate sauces and lemons

ICE CREAM NOVELTY CART | **\$ 9** per guest

- ▶ Assortment of childhood novelties: Nutty Buddys, sandwich bars, Chipwich®, strawberry shortcake bars, éclair bars, vanilla almond bars, orange sherbet bars, Oreo® sandwich bars

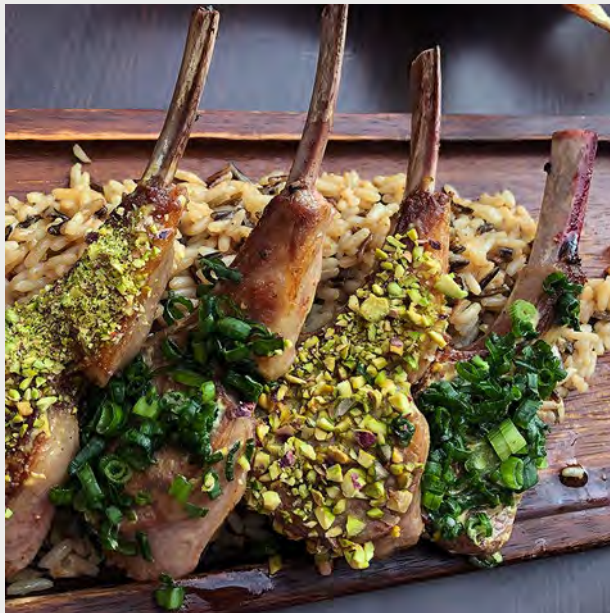
Add freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea **for \$4 per guest**

VIENNESE PRESENTATION | **\$ 18** per guest

- ▶ Gourmet European-style miniature pastries
- ▶ Assorted flavors of mini trifles

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RECEPTIONS

STATIONS

CHEF ATTENDANT REQUIRED WITH EACH STATION – CHEF'S FEE OF \$150 APPLIES

***PASTA STATION | \$ 16 per guest**

Includes choice of 2 pastas, 2 sauces and 2 add-ins

PASTAS:

- ▶ Mini penne
- ▶ Cheese-filled tortellini
- ▶ Bow-tie
- ▶ Gemelli

SAUCES:

- ▶ Marinara
- ▶ Tomato vodka cream
- ▶ Herbed olive oil
- ▶ Alfredo
- ▶ Pesto

ADD-INS:

- ▶ Sweet sausage, grilled chicken, Pecorino Romano, baby leaf spinach, toasted pine nuts, artichoke hearts, roasted sweet peppers, broccoli florets, sweet peas, sliced mushrooms, herbed seasonal vegetables, diced Virginia ham, oven-dried tomatoes, Kalamata olives

**Also available as an unmanned presentation*

***CRÈME BRÛLÉE STATION | \$ 17 per guest**

Includes assorted flavors of crème brûlée

- ▶ Traditional
- ▶ Chocolate
- ▶ Espresso
- ▶ Raspberry

**Also available as an unmanned presentation*

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RECEPTIONS

CARVING STATIONS

ALL CARVING STATIONS SERVED WITH BUTTER TWIST ROLLS AND APPROPRIATE CONDIMENTS

*CHEF ATTENDANT REQUIRED WITH EACH STATION – CHEF'S FEE OF \$150 APPLIES

***BUTTER BASTED TURKEY BREAST**

(Serves 30 people)

\$325 each

***HONEY GLAZED BAKED HAM**

(Serves 30 people)

\$325 each

***BARBECUED OR PEPPERED PORK LOIN**

(Serves 30 people)

\$325 each

***OUR FAMOUS SLOW ROASTED PRIME RIB**

(Serves 30 people)

\$475 each

***ROASTED WHOLE NEW YORK SIRLOIN OF BEEF**

(Serves 30 people)

\$450 each



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DINNER





DINNER

DINNER BUFFET

ALL BUFFET DINNERS COME WITH FRESHLY BREWED COFFEE, DECAF AND TEA
MINIMUM OF 25 ATTENDEES REQUIRED

COUNTRY PICNIC | \$53 per guest

- ▶ Seasonal melon wedges & berries
- ▶ Garden salad & assorted dressings
- ▶ Old-fashioned potato salad
- ▶ Coleslaw

Entrées:

- ▶ Barbecued chicken breast
- ▶ Bourbon-smoked baby back ribs

Sides:

- ▶ Bacon macaroni & cheese
- ▶ Homestyle mashed potatoes
- ▶ Cornbread
- ▶ Buttermilk biscuits

Desserts:

- ▶ Desmond Bread Pudding, English custard
- ▶ Chef's selection of desserts

THE SHAKER | \$57 per guest

- ▶ Soup du jour
- ▶ Sliced seasonal fruit
- ▶ Garden salad & assorted dressings
- ▶ Caesar salad
- ▶ Freshly baked rolls & butter

Entrées:

- ▶ Dijon chicken, brown velouté
- ▶ Parmesan crusted salmon, red pepper beurre blanc
- ▶ Sliced sirloin au poivre
- ▶ Penne with roasted vegetables & pesto infused olive oil

Sides:

- ▶ Au gratin potatoes
- ▶ Chef's choice of seasonal vegetables

Desserts:

- ▶ Desmond Bread Pudding, English custard
- ▶ Chef's selection of desserts

DINNER

DINNER BUFFET

ALL BUFFET DINNERS COME WITH FRESHLY BREWED COFFEE, DECAF AND TEA
MINIMUM OF 25 ATTENDEES REQUIRED

*THE SCRIMSHAW | \$ 68 per guest

- ▶ Caesar salad
- ▶ Desmond signature salad
- ▶ Roasted red peppers, sliced mozzarella, balsamic glaze
- ▶ Freshly baked rolls & butter

Seafood Presentation:

- ▶ Iced Gulf Shrimp, lemon wedges, cocktail & lamiase sauce

Entrées:

- ▶ Chicken Piccata - lemon beurre blanc & capers
- ▶ Seafood Mediterranean - Gulf shrimp, Georges Bank scallops, Alaskan crab, kalamata olives, artichokes, baby leaf spinach, cheese-filled ravioli, sweet basil olive oil

Sides:

- ▶ Au gratin potatoes
- ▶ Chef's choice of seasonal vegetables

Chef Attended Carvery Station:

- ▶ Roasted Whole New York Sirloin of Beef, horseradish sauce
- ▶ Butter Basted Turkey, cranberry relish

Desserts:

- ▶ Desmond Bread Pudding, English custard
- ▶ Chef's selection of desserts

**For groups of 50 and under, a Chef's Fee of \$150 applies*





DINNER

PLATED DINNER

ALL PLATED DINNERS COME WITH CHEF'S DAILY VEGETABLE, ROLLS AND FRESHLY BREWED COFFEE, DECAF AND TEA

APPETIZERS *(Choose One)*

- ▶ Fruit Mélange – sliced seasonal fruit, berry coulis
- ▶ Soup du Jour
- ▶ Antipasti Salad – mixed greens, pepperdews, marinated olives, roasted peppers, petite fresh mozzarella, white balsamic vinaigrette
- ▶ Desmond Signature Salad – mixed greens, cherry tomatoes, mandarin oranges, sliced almonds, dried cranberries, cheddar cheese, creamy garlic dressing
- ▶ Caesar Salad – romaine, parmesan cheese, croutons, traditional dressing
- ▶ Wild Mushroom Ravioli – braised fennel sauce, parmesan croûstade **add \$9 per guest**
- ▶ New England Clam Chowder **add \$10 per guest**
- ▶ Maryland Crab Cakes – roasted red pepper coulis **add \$13 per guest**
- ▶ Iced Jumbo Gulf Shrimp Cocktail (3 pieces per guest) **add \$14 per guest**

DESSERTS *(Choose One)*

- ▶ Traditional Chocolate Layer Cake – chocolate cake & chocolate mousse
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- ▶ Big Apple Pie – cinnamon apple cider filling & granola crumb topping
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- ▶ Lemon Cake – lemon mousse & Meyer lemon curd

SELECT FROM ENTRÉES *(Next Page)*

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PLATED DINNER

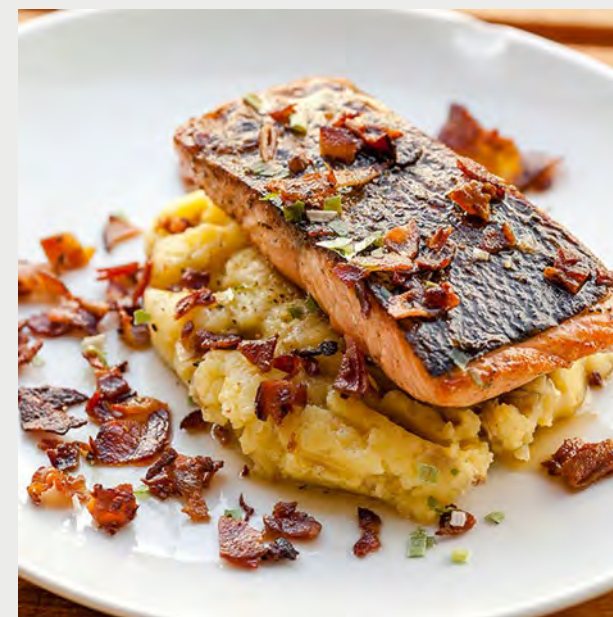
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ENTRÉES:

- ▶ Chicken Française – boneless chicken breast dredged in parmesan egg batter, lemon butter sauce, vegetable rice pilaf
\$45 per guest
- ▶ Herb-rubbed Country Chicken – oven roasted half chicken, farm fresh herbs, sautéed red potatoes & leeks
\$45 per guest
- ▶ Chicken Normande – boneless chicken breast, herbed apple stuffing, sauce Supreme, oven roasted rosemary new potatoes
\$45 per guest
- ▶ Salmon Piccata – Atlantic salmon fillet, lemon caper beurre blanc, saffron rice
\$52 per guest
- ▶ Mediterranean Roasted Halibut – herb rubbed & oven roasted, tomato relish, toasted orzo with red pepper & spinach
\$52 per guest
- ▶ Vegetable Provence – seasonal vegetables in herbs de Provence, marinated grilled tofu, brown rice
\$45 per guest
- ▶ Oven Roasted Vegetable Strudel – seasonal herbed vegetables wrapped in phyllo, roasted red pepper coulis, herbed couscous
\$45 per guest
- ▶ Roasted New York Sirloin of Beef – sliced sirloin, demi-glace, potato Provençale
\$51 per guest
- ▶ Braised Short Rib – Angus short rib, garlic homestyle mashed potatoes, demi-glace
\$58 per guest
- ▶ New York Strip Steak – center cut, maître d' hotel butter, crispy onions, roasted fingerling potatoes
\$62 per guest
- ▶ Filet Mignon – center cut, tobacco onions, demi-glace, mushroom duxelle infused mashed potatoes
\$62 per guest

SELECT FROM DUET PLATE ENTRÉES *(Next Page)*

Small Group Fee of \$75 applies for groups of 20 and under. Higher price prevails for all if multiple entrees are selected.



DINNER

PLATED DINNER

ALL PLATED DINNERS COME WITH CHEF'S DAILY VEGETABLE, ROLLS AND FRESHLY BREWED COFFEE, DECAF AND TEA

***DUET PLATE ENTRÉES** (Choose Two) | **\$71** per guest

- ▶ Filet Mignon – center cut, tobacco onions
- ▶ New York Sirloin Steak – tobacco onions, maître d' hotel butter
- ▶ Braised Short Rib – demi-glace
- ▶ Grilled Herbed Chicken Breast
- ▶ Baked Stuffed Shrimp – jumbo Gulf shrimp, Maryland style crab dressing
- ▶ Shrimp Scampi – jumbo Gulf shrimp, garlic lemon butter
- ▶ Atlantic Salmon Fillet – pesto encrusted, lemon dill beurre blanc
- ▶ Block Island Swordfish – blood orange ancho chili butter

**All duet plates include homestyle garlic mashed potatoes*

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CATERING AT CROWNE PLAZA ALBANY – THE DESMOND HOTEL

MEETINGS PACKAGES



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THE STANDARD

MINIMUM OF TEN ATTENDEES REQUIRED

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

- ▶ Chef's daily selection of breakfast pastries featuring items such as freshly baked fruit breads, cheese and fruit Danish, petite coffee cakes, and rugelach
- ▶ Orange & cranberry juices
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea

MID-MORNING BREAK

- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea

SANDWICH BUFFET

- ▶ Soup du jour
- ▶ Assorted sandwiches
- ▶ Pasta salad
- ▶ Tossed salad
- ▶ Half sour pickles
- ▶ Individually bagged potato chips
- ▶ Cookies & brownies
- ▶ Assorted soda & flavored seltzers

AFTERNOON BREAK

- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea
- ▶ Assorted sodas and bottled water

\$70 per guest*

*Service charge and sales tax apply. Set Up Fee applies, please ask your Event Planner for more information.
Meeting Room Rental and A/V not included.

THE PREMIUM

MINIMUM OF TEN ATTENDEES REQUIRED

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

- ▶ Chef's daily selection of breakfast pastries featuring items such as freshly baked fruit breads, cheese and fruit Danish, petite coffee cakes, and rugelach
- ▶ Orange & cranberry juices
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea

MID-MORNING BREAK

- ▶ Make Your Own Yogurt Parfait Bar – flavored yogurts, fresh berries, granola
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea

LUNCH BUFFET

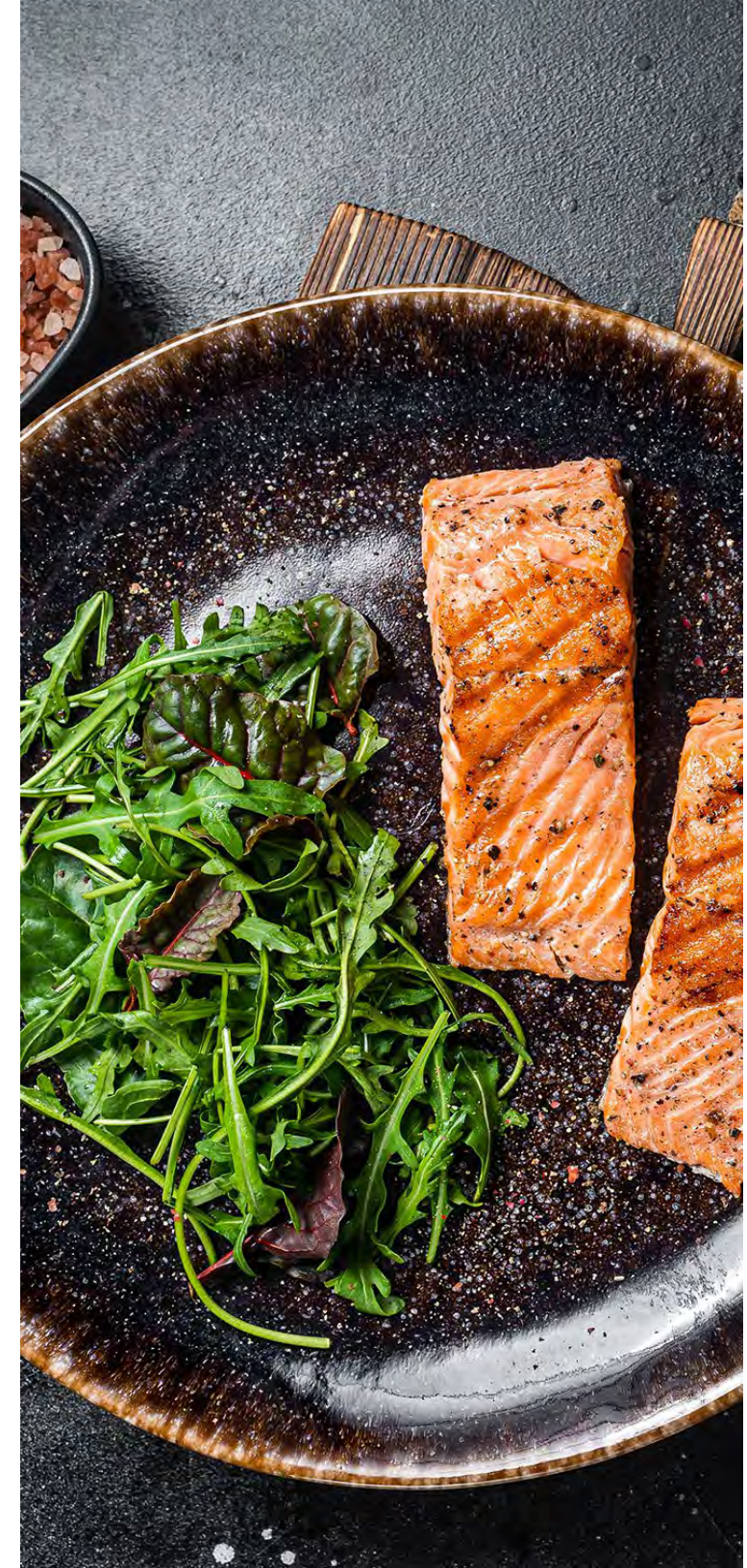
Your choice of *Homestyle Favorites* or *A Taste of Italy*

AFTERNOON BREAK

- ▶ Chef's choice of one snack from the following: Individually bagged popcorn, pretzels & peanuts or Brownies & cookies or Premium cheese display with sliced fruit
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea
- ▶ Assorted sodas, bottled water and flavored seltzers

\$85 per guest*

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MEETINGS PACKAGES

THE ULTRA

MINIMUM OF 25 ATTENDEES REQUIRED

THE BREAKFAST BUFFET

- ▶ Diced seasonal fruit
- ▶ Variety of individual oatmeals
- ▶ Scrambled eggs with chives
- ▶ Hardwood smoked bacon
- ▶ O'Brien breakfast potatoes
- ▶ Chef's daily selection of breakfast pastries
- ▶ Variety of bagels with butter, cream cheese & jams
- ▶ Assorted juices
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea

MID-MORNING BREAK

- ▶ Chef's daily selection of breakfast pastries featuring items such as freshly baked fruit breads, cheese and fruit Danish, petite coffee cakes, and rugelach
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea

LUNCH BUFFET

Your choice of *Homestyle Favorites* or *A Taste of Italy*

AFTERNOON BREAK

- ▶ Chef's choice of one snack from the following: Individually bagged popcorn, pretzels & peanuts or Brownies & cookies or Premium cheese display with sliced fruit
- ▶ Freshly brewed coffee, decaf and tea
- ▶ Assorted sodas, bottled water & flavored seltzers

\$89 per guest*

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Meeting Room Rental and A/V not included.

CATERING AT CROWNE PLAZA ALBANY – THE DESMOND HOTEL

BEVERAGE PACKAGES





BEVERAGE

OPEN BAR

PREMIUM BAR*

- ▶ Tito's Handmade Vodka
- ▶ New Amsterdam Vodka
- ▶ Corazón Tequila Blanco
- ▶ Bombay Original Gin
- ▶ Tanqueray Gin
- ▶ Cruzan Aged Light Rum
- ▶ Malibu Coconut Rum
- ▶ Four Roses Bourbon
- ▶ Jack Daniel's Old No. 7 Whiskey
- ▶ Dewar's White Label Scotch
- ▶ Kahlúa
- ▶ Domestic & Premium Bottled Beers
- ▶ Proverb Chardonnay, Cabernet & Pinot Noir
- ▶ Placido Toscana Pinot Grigio
- ▶ Seven Daughters Moscato

**brands are subject to change without notice*

\$25 per guest for one hour

\$7 per guest each additional hour

ULTRA PREMIUM BAR*

- ▶ Ketel One Vodka
- ▶ Tito's Handmade Vodka
- ▶ Patron Silver Tequila
- ▶ Bombay Sapphire Gin
- ▶ Hendrick's Gin
- ▶ Bacardi Superior Rum
- ▶ Captain Morgan's Spiced Rum
- ▶ Malibu Coconut Rum
- ▶ Bulleit Bourbon
- ▶ Jameson Irish Whiskey
- ▶ Johnnie Walker Black Scotch
- ▶ Kahlúa
- ▶ Domestic & Premium Bottled Beers
- ▶ Proverb Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Cabernet, & Pinot Noir
- ▶ Placido Toscana Pinot Grigio
- ▶ Seven Daughters Moscato
- ▶ **brands are subject to change without notice*

\$31 per guest for one hour

\$9 per guest each additional hour

The amount charged is on a per person basis in accordance with the guaranteed attendance, or the actual attendance if higher.

BEVERAGE

HOST SPONSORED BAR

A \$125 BAR FEE APPLIES TO ALL HOST SPONSORED BARS

PREMIUM BAR DRINKS* | \$9

- ▶ Tito's Handmade Vodka
- ▶ New Amsterdam Vodka
- ▶ Corazón Tequila Blanco
- ▶ Bombay Original Gin
- ▶ Tanqueray Gin
- ▶ Cruzan Aged Light Rum
- ▶ Malibu Coconut Rum
- ▶ Four Roses Bourbon
- ▶ Jack Daniel's Old No. 7 Whiskey
- ▶ Dewar's White Label Scotch

HOUSE WINE* | \$9

- ▶ Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Cabernet, Pinot Noir, Pinot Grigio & Moscato

CHAMPAGNE TOAST* | \$8

- ▶ Gancia Asti DOCG

ULTRA PREMIUM BAR DRINKS* | \$12

- ▶ Ketel One Vodka
- ▶ Tito's Handmade Vodka
- ▶ Patron Silver Tequila
- ▶ Bombay Sapphire Gin
- ▶ Hendrick's Gin
- ▶ Bacardi Superior Rum
- ▶ Captain Morgan's Spiced Rum
- ▶ Malibu Coconut Rum
- ▶ Bulleit Bourbon
- ▶ Jameson Irish Whiskey
- ▶ Johnnie Walker Black Scotch

DOMESTIC BEER | \$7

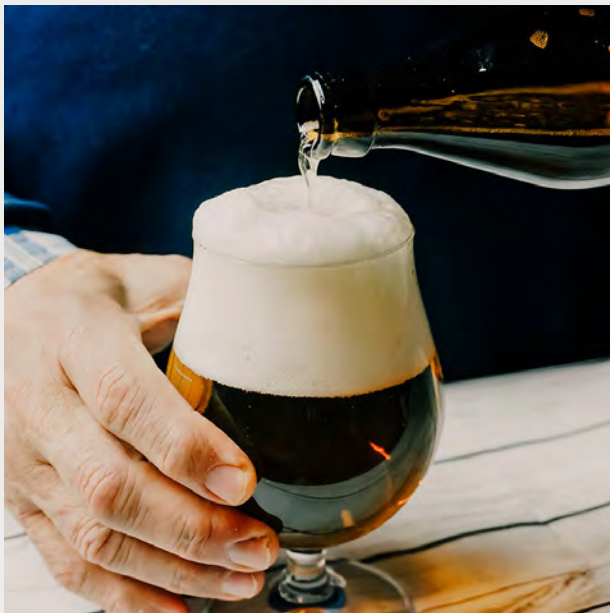
PREMIUM BEER | \$8

SODA | \$4

**brands are subject to change without notice*

All charges are billed to the group host and reflect the actual number of drinks served





BEVERAGE

CASH BAR

A \$125 BAR FEE APPLIES TO ALL CASH BARS

PREMIUM BAR DRINKS* | \$10

- ▶ Tito's Handmade Vodka
- ▶ New Amsterdam Vodka
- ▶ Corazón Tequila Blanco
- ▶ Bombay Original Gin
- ▶ Tanqueray Gin
- ▶ Cruzan Aged Light Rum
- ▶ Malibu Coconut Rum
- ▶ Four Roses Bourbon
- ▶ Jack Daniel's Old No. 7 Whiskey
- ▶ Dewar's White Label Scotch

HOUSE WINE* | \$11

- ▶ Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Cabernet, Pinot Noir, Pinot Grigio & Moscato

ULTRA PREMIUM BAR DRINKS* | \$13

- ▶ Ketel One Vodka
- ▶ Tito's Handmade Vodka
- ▶ Patron Silver Tequila
- ▶ Bombay Sapphire Gin
- ▶ Hendrick's Gin
- ▶ Bacardi Superior Rum
- ▶ Captain Morgan's Spiced Rum
- ▶ Malibu Coconut Rum
- ▶ Bulleit Bourbon
- ▶ Jameson Irish Whiskey
- ▶ Johnnie Walker Black Scotch

DOMESTIC BEER | \$8

PREMIUM BEER | \$9

SODA | \$5

**brands are subject to change without notice*

Cash bar prices are inclusive of service charge and tax

BEVERAGE ENHANCEMENTS

AVAILABLE AS AN ADD-ON TO YOUR BAR PACKAGE. ENHANCEMENTS CANNOT BE SERVED AS STANDALONE ITEMS.

AFTER DINNER CORDIALS & COGNACS* | \$14 per guest

- ▶ Amaretto Disaronno
- ▶ Cointreau
- ▶ Baileys
- ▶ Courvoisier
- ▶ Kahlúa
- ▶ Chambord

Based on 1 and ½ hours of service

ONE HOUR MARTINI BAR* | \$6 per guest

- ▶ Bombay Original Gin
- ▶ Tanqueray Gin
- ▶ Tito's Handmade Vodka
- ▶ Martini & Rossi Vermouth

Bartender required, Bar fee of \$125 applies

**brands are subject to change without notice*



FOOD & BEVERAGE GUIDELINES

PRICING & SERVICE CHARGE/GRATUITIES

- ▶ Pricing listed is subject to change without notice. All Food & Beverage prices are subject to a 20% taxable service charge and 8% New York State Sales Tax (or the prevailing sales tax in effect at the time of the event). The 20% service charge is distributed as follows: 15.25% to Banquet Service staff, 0.5% to Banquet Housepersons, 0.5% to Kitchen staff, 0.5% to General Housekeeping staff and a 3.25% Administrative charge.

GUARANTEES

- ▶ Final guarantees and meal selections must be communicated to the hotel no later than three business days prior to the event. This number will become your final guarantee and is not subject to reduction after submission. The hotel will only prepare seating and food for 5% over the guaranteed number.

Please refer to our Hotel Policies & Event Planning guide for more information.