

# THE HATTER'S TEA PARTY

Afternoon Tea: £58 | Add Champagne £74

## **QUEEN OF HEARTS**

Homemade raspberry jam tart with almond crumble

An ode to the Queen of Hearts who is one of Lewis Carroll's most formidable characters. She is a foultempered monarch whom Carroll himself describes as "a blind fury", she is quick to give death sentences at the slightest offense.

## **PLUM PUDDING**

Vanilla posset, stewed plums

Our take on the traditional plum pudding served at the Mad Hatter's Tea Party, where time is fixed at six o'clock and they live in perpetual teatime. George Ovey played the role of the Plum Pudding in the Norman Z McLeod's 1933 adaptation of the story.

## **PEARL OF OYSTERS**

White chocolate Lanson Champagne truffle

This truffle is based upon the Oysters in 'The Walrus and the Carpenter', a narrative poem that features in 'Through the Looking Glass'. The poem is famously recited by Tweedledum and Tweedledee to Alice in Chapter Four. Both J.B Priestly and Walter Russel Mead argued the 'Walrus' and the 'Carpenter' were in fact analogies of the US and Britain.

## THE CARROT

Carrot and walnut cake, cream cheese icing

Our interpretation of the carrot from the White Rabbit's garden in the 1951 film 'Alice in Wonderland'. Lewis Carroll's White Rabbit is the spark of curiosity that wakes Alice from her daze to lead her down the rabbit



#### THE DORMOUSE

#### Buttery shortbread with a hint of lavender

Inspiration gained for this sweet treat was from the garden featured throughout 'Through the Looking Glass'. Many believe that the garden symbolizes the 'Garden of Eden', a place of innocence and beauty that Alice does not have permission to enter.

# 'EAT ME'

## Chocolate cake with a rich buttercream icing

Inspired again by the Mad Hatter's Tea Party, a traditional cake with a chocolatey twist. Throughout the Victorian Age, the 'formal' tea party was a function in which social norms and cultural rules were of highest importance. Carroll's tea party throws these social graces to the wind and paints a marvellously unorthodox scene.



# YOUR CHOICE OF...

## **TRADITIONAL**

A selection of freshly cut sandwiches including H Forman's smoked salmon, free-range egg mayonnaise, Blythburgh roast ham & English mustard, cucumber & cream cheese, and coronation chicken. Freshly home baked plain and fruit scones served with Devonshire clotted cream.

## **VEGAN**

A selection of freshly cut sandwiches including grilled vegetables on granary baguette, guacamole & rocket on white bread, coronation chickpea on granary bread, cucumber on brown bread, and tomato & olive tapenade on sun-dried tomato bread. Freshly home baked vegan plain and fruit scones and coconut clotted cream.

## **VEGETARIAN**

A selection of freshly cut sandwiches including free-range egg mayonnaise on white bread, cucumber & cream cheese on sundried tomato bread, guacamole & rocket on white bread, grilled vegetables on granary baguette, and cheddar cheese & plum tomato on granary bread. Freshly home baked plain and fruit scones served with Devonshire clotted cream.

#### **GLUTEN FREE**

Coffee and cinnamon cake, chocolate brownie, almond slice, orange cupcake, coconut and lemon cake and fruit tartlet. Freshly home baked plain and fruit scones served with Devonshire clotted cream.

# **CREAM TEA (£20)**

Your choice from our finest loose leaf teas with freshly home baked plain and fruit scones served with Devonshire clotted cream and a selection of preserves.

# — WHITE RABBIT AFTERNOON TEA —

Specifically designed for children under the age of 12 years, a fine selection of sandwiches and freshly baked white rabbit scones all accompanied by a choice of tea or hot chocolate.

£30

#### TEACUP STRAWBERRY MOUSE

SIX O'CLOCK BROWNIE

A light and delicate strawberry mouse

Rich chocolate orange brownie

#### ICE CREAM SANDWICH

Strawberry, vanilla and chocolate ice cream sandwiched between toasted brioche bread

# DRINK ME MOCKTAIL

Raspberry and vanilla cordial, prange juice, pineapple juice, cherry syrup, raspberry jam, toffee sauce and vanilla custard £10.50

# COCKTAILS

### AROUND THE CLOCK

Tanqueray Gin, Lanson Pierre et Fils Champagne, butterfly pea flower tea, simple syrup and lemon juice £21.50

#### THE MAD HATTER

Grey Goose Vodka, Blue Curacao, Midori liqueur, simple syrup and lemon juice £15.50

### **DRINK ME**

Cherry brandy, vanilla flavoured vodka and pineapple juice £15.50



JING defines the modern tea ceremony, sourcing exceptional tasting teas, served with elegance, simplicity and confidence. Travelling thousands of miles each year, JING sources definitive examples of Asia's finest teas for the most sophisticated and discerning guests worldwide.

#### **GREEN TEA**

A great green tea is instantly accessible; offering vibrant grassy flavours, a sublime natural sweetness and a satisfying silky texture. Green tea has been a connoisseur drink in the East for centuries.

#### JADE SWORD, Guizhou, China

Clean, rounded, full and grassy with gentle seaweed complexities.

Brisk and refreshing with a textured finish.

### **OOLONG TEA**

Many consider oolong teas to offer the most complete tea drinking experience as they combine the freshness of green teas and the complexity of black teas in perfect balance.

# PHOENIX HONEY ORCHID, Guangdong, China

Intensely aromatic with a beautifully structured honey-comb texture. Fragrant notes of peach and citrus over a gently honeyed base and a refreshingly bitter-edged finish.

## WHITE TEA

White teas have a sweet flavour and soft texture without the vegetal quality of green tea. They are refreshing, thirst-quenching and easy-going on the palate. JING source white teas from Fujian Province, China - the home of the finest white teas.

# WHITE PEONY, Fujian, China

Delightfully refreshing, rounded and full-flavoured, with sweet and fragrant notes of melon.

#### **BLACK TEA**

JING's black teas are made from large leaf, offering a wealth of flavour which cannot be found in common black tea, made from the leaf fragments of inferior processing.

#### ASSAM BREAKFAST, India

Statuesque and full-bodied Assam tea, with plenty of structure and malty richness.

A rousing breakfast tea, perfect with or without milk.

#### DARJEELING 2ND FLUSH, India

The quintessential afternoon tea; fragrant and refreshing with body and depth.

Rounded and warm, with notes of Muscatel grape, hop and fresh citrus.

## ORGANIC BOHEA LAPSANG, Fujian, China

Gently smoky and smooth, balanced in a harmony of supple creamy, liquorice root flavour and almost peaty warmth. The authentic Lapsang tea.

#### **EARL GREY, Sri Lanka**

Refreshing and bright, with citrus freshness lifting the rich Ceylon tea base. A perfectly focused classic.

#### RED DRAGON, Yunnan, China

Red Dragon is a unique and exceptional tea, processed by masters as a black tea using a tea cultivar traditionally used for oolong tea. This gives the tea a syrupy, rich texture, fruity aroma and an enticing flavour of dark berries, ginger, caramel and chocolate.

## CHAI, Ceylon

A perfect example of what Chai should be - a blend of fine whole leaf Ceylon tea, with strength enough to shine alongside cardamom pods, star anise and a delicate blend of exotic spices. The resulting tea has a spicy flavour and sweet aroma.

## **HERBAL INFUSIONS**

Our herbal range is created using freshly picked and dried whole herbs, flowers or fruits. Although not really "tea" without Camellia sinensis at their base, they are packed with flavour and aroma and are naturally caffeine-free.

### **ROOIBOS, South Africa**

Gently tangy notes of Seville orange combine with soft-textured hints of vanilla.

#### WHOLE ROSEBUDS, Morocco

Beautiful and graceful, notes of sweet-edged rose with a refreshingly light and palate-cleansing finish.

#### **BLACKCURRANT & HIBISCUS**

Our blend of whole blackcurrants, summer berries and hibiscus shells offers a vivid and lively infusion bursting with berry flavours .Unlike many varieties you will find, which offer strong aroma but a weak taste, this infusion has a long and intensely fruity finish.

#### FLOWERING TEA

(Available at a supplement of £2.50 per pot)

JING's flowering teas are made with green tea buds and beautiful aromatic flowers that instil the infusion with delicate floral scents. Our flowering teas are all individually hand-tied and served in a glass tea pot.

## FLOWERING JASMINE & LILY, Fujian, China

A broad base of green tea buds topped with crown of orange lily-petals and a tower of jasmine flowers. A spectacular jasmine tea.

## FLOWERING OSMANTHUS, Fujian, China

A base of green tea buds topped with orange lily petals and bursts of orange osmanthus blossoms. Beautifully sweet with notes of apricot and mango.

