



# BEDFORD AFTERNOON TEA

*Served from 12.00pm until 4.00pm*

*Anna Maria Russell, Duchess of Bedford (1783 – 1857) was a lifelong friend of Queen Victoria whom she served as a Lady of the Bedchamber between 1837 and 1841, however she is best remembered as the creator of the “afternoon tea”.*

*In the 19th Century, it was customary for the upper classes in England to have their evening meal rather late, say 8 - 9pm, it was understandable then that they might become hungry in the late afternoon.*

*Sometime around 1840, Anna Russell, the 7th Duchess of Bedford, complained of a “sinking feeling” and requested that some light food and a pot of tea be brought to her private living quarters to help ward off her mid-afternoon hunger. This light food probably included bread, butter, and perhaps biscuits.*

*The idea proved so successful that it soon became routine, and the Duchess decided to invite a few of her friends to her private rooms for tea in the afternoon. A new social event was born in which the invited guests would have an opportunity to meet with friends, catch up on the latest news, discuss recent events, etc...*



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RESTAURANT

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LADIES AFTERNOON TEA

(IS AVAILABLE TO EVERYONE)

*Chicken and bacon Caesar wrap*

*Cream cheese and cucumber finger sandwiches*

*Individual freshly baked quiche*

*Mini classic prawn cocktail*

*Victoria sponge*

*Freshly baked scone, clotted cream and preserve*

*Individual dessert of the day*

*Unlimited tea or coffee*

**£21.95 per person**  
**(Gluten Free option available)**

GENTLEMAN'S AFTERNOON TEA

(IS AVAILABLE TO EVERYONE)

*Chicken and chorizo club sandwich*

*Freshly baked hand-raised pork pie accompanied by fruit chutney*

*Open steak sandwich with black peppered mayonnaise, rocket and  
topped with an onion ring*

*Mini fish and chips with a pot of our homemade tartare sauce*

*Victoria sponge*

*Freshly baked scone, clotted cream and preserve*

*Unlimited tea or coffee*



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PROSECCO AFTERNOON TEA

*Either the Ladies or Gentleman's Afternoon Tea served with a 200ml  
bottle of La Marca Prosecco*

***£25.95 per person***

CHAMPAGNE AFTERNOON TEA

*Either the Ladies or Gentleman's Afternoon Tea served with a glass of  
Veuve Clicquot Yellow Label*

***£29.95 per person***

CHILDREN'S AFTERNOON TEA

*Clarence Court egg mayonnaise sandwich*

*Ham sandwich*

*Fries and ketchup*

*Chocolate brownie*

*Novelty ice cream*

*Marshmallows*

*Fruit bowl*

*Served with either apple juice, orange juice, strawberry milk,  
chocolate milk or hot chocolate*

***£11.95 per person***



## THE WICKENTREE TEA SELECTION

*Please choose one of the following teas:*

*English Breakfast*

*Earl Grey*

*Decaffeinated*

*Green*

*Peppermint*

*Strawberry and Raspberry*

*Camomile*

*Alternatively, coffee is also available upon request.*