

ZOO CATERING MENU

Event 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 seafoods in our cafes, restaurants, and catered events. We also follow the recommendations of the Monterey Bay Aquarium's Seafood Watch program, in combination with eco-certifications, to ensure that we are making 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 Sales Manager know!

ALLERGENS

We understand that some guests may have dietary preferences such as vegan, food intolerances, or allergies, and we are focused on providing an inclusive environment to all your attendees at your event. Speak with your Sales Manager about any anticipated dietary concerns as early as possible, and we'll work with you to tailor a menu specific to your needs.

MENUS

Unless otherwise specified, all menus are priced per Person to be enjoyed during the allotted time period while here on-site at the Minnesota 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 submitted final guest count or the number served, whichever is greater. If no final guest count is received, we will consider the estimated guest count indicated on your Banquet Event Order to be your guaranteed number of guests. The final guest count 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 AND FOOD SERVICE REGULATIONS

Food & Beverage cannot be removed from the premises by any party other than the catering department. Please see your Sales Manager for pricing. SSA Group, LLC. holds the Liquor License at the Minnesota 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 & DEPOSITS

A signed contract detailing all arrangements must be received by SSA Group, LLC. prior to the event date along with the deposit amount reflected on the event contract. Deposit payments may be made by credit card, certified check, company 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.

CANCELLATIONS

Client must give SSA Group, LLC. written notice if Client wishes to cancel this Agreement and the Event. Company will retain all payments and deposits made to SSA Group, LLC. in the event of cancellation.

Rise & Shine Breakfast

DETAILS:

- Service for Up to (1) Hour
- Requires a Minimum Order of 25 Guests
- Prices Are per Person

INCLUDES

- Assorted Herbal Teas & Coffee
- Iced Water

ADD-ONS

Minimum Quantities Must Match the Guest Guarantee. Prices Are per Person

- Orange Juice
- Eco-Friendly Compostable Tableware

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The Continental Assorted Breakfast Pastries, Fresh Fruit	18
Build-Your-Own Breakfast Tacos Warm Flour Tortillas, Scrambled Eggs, Chorizo, Crumbled Bacon, Cheddar Cheese, Salsa Fresca	20
Served with: Seasoned Breakfast Potatoes, Green Chili	
Build-Your-Own Waffle Bar Belgian Waffles, Sausage Links, Fresh Berries, Assorted Preserves, Whipped Cream, Candied Pecans, Butter and Maple Syrup	23
UPGRADE TO CRISPY BACON	5
Complete Breakfast	23
Assorted Muffins Ø, Fresh Fruit № 💥,	
Scrambled Eggs , Seasoned Breakfast Potatoes Sausage Links	1
UPGRADE TO CRISPY BACON	5

Brunch Bars

Bloody Mary Bar

House Vodka, Bloody Mary Mix, Celery, Pepperoncini Peppers, Green Olives, Tabasco, Celery Salt, Lemons & Limes

(2) HOURS HOSTED	20 25
Mimosa Bar House Sparkling, Oranges, Seasonal Berries, Assorted Juice Mixers	
(2) HOURS HOSTED	13

DETAILS:

• Service for Up to (2) Hours

Apple Juice -Or- Cranberry Juice_ Assorted Breakfast Pastries

Yogurt with Crunchy Granola 🕖

Biscuits & Gravy_

Breakfast Burritos

- One Bartender Required per 75 guests
- 150 Bartender Fee, per Bartender
- To Enjoy Both Bars, Additional 6 per Person

Bistro Lunch

DETAILS:

- Requires a Minimum Order of 25 Guests
- For Groups of 100 Guests or Fewer. Groups Larger Than 100, Please Inquire for Additional Menus
- Prices Are per Person

INCLUDES:

 Eco-Friendly Compostable Tableware

BOXED LUNCHES

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Drop-off service

SELECT UP TO TWO ITEMS TOTAL FROM SALAD OR SANDWICH OFFERINGS.

ONE MENU SELECTION PER GUEST PRE-SELECTED FINAL FOOD QUANTITIES DUE IN ADVANCE.

Includes:

- Chocolate Chip Cookie
- Kettle Chips
- Canned Water

SALAD AND 22 SANDWICH BUFFET

Service for up to 1.5 hours

SELECT UP TO TWO ITEMS TOTAL FROM SALAD OR SANDWICH OFFERINGS.

Includes:

- Iced Water
- Lemonade
- Chocolate Chip Cookies
- Kettle Chips

SALADS

Cranberry Pecan >

Crumbled Goat Cheese, Candied Pecans, Dried Cranberries, Balsamic Vinaigrette

Classic Caesar

Romaine Lettuce, Garlic Croutons, Shaved Asiago, Creamy Caesar Dressing

Latin Quinoa 🗷 🥕

Shredded Kale, Avocado, Black Beans, Roasted Corn, Tomatoes, Roasted Peppers, Pepitas, Cilantro-Lime Vinaigrette

Mixed Green 🗷 🥕

Spring Mix, Carrot, Cucumber, Grape Tomato, Balsamic Vinaigrette

SANDWICHES

Chicken Salad

Lettuce, Tomato, Grapes, Pecans, Cranberry, Croissant

Ham & Swiss

Lettuce, Tomato, Dijonnaise, Sourdough

Grilled Vegetable Wrap ø

Hummus, Pepper Relish, Garlic-Herb Tortilla

Roast Beef

Lettuce, Tomato, Swiss, Garlic-Herb Aïoli, Hoagie

Turkey Club

Lettuce, Tomato, Bacon, Cheddar, Herb Aïoli, Sourdough

ADD-ONS Minimum Quantities Must Match the Guest Guarantee. Prices Are per Person Assorted Canned Sodas ______5 Iced Tea ______5 Additional Salad or Sandwich ______Please Inquire

Hot Lunch Buffets

DETAILS:

- Service for Up to (1.5) Hours
- Requires a Minimum Order of 25 Guests
- Prices Are per Person

INCLUDES:

- Iced Water
- Lemonade
- Eco-Friendly Compostable Tableware

ITALIAN

Served with: Garlic Bread

Classic Caesar Salad

Cavatappi and Gnocchi

Marinara, Roasted Garlic Alfredo Sauce, Grilled Chicken, Italian Meatballs

DESSERT:

Tiramisu

MEDITERRANEAN

Served with:

Cucumber Salad, Lemon Artichoke Couscous Salad, Roasted Red Pepper Hummus, Tzatziki Sauce, Pita Bread

Za'atar Spiced Grilled Chicken Crispy Falafel

DESSERT:

Baklava with Cinnamon Chantilly

ASIAN

Served with: Chicken Potstickers, Vegetable Fried Rice

Kohlrabi Slaw with Sesame Dressing

CHOICE OF TWO PROTEINS:

Sweet Orange Chicken
Beef & Broccoli
Miso Honey Glazed Tofu ø

DESSERT:

Chinese Donuts with Strawberry Sauce

25 LATIN

Served with:

Red Rice, Tortilla Chips, Guacamole, Salsa, Tortillas, Sour Cream, Cheese

Chopped Romaine Salad 🔊

Corn, Tomato, Tortilla Crisps, Lime Vinaigrette

CHOICE OF TWO PROTEINS:

Al Pastor & Charred Pineapple Barbacoa Shredded Chicken Carnitas

DESSERT:

24

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Dulce de Leche Churros with Sweet Cream

HOMESTYLE

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Served with:

Sour Cream, Onions, Cheddar Cheese, Hot Sauce, Cornbread

CHOICE OF TWO CHILIS:

Beef

Vegetarian 🔊

White Chicken

DESSERT:

Cookies

NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE PACKAGES

HALF-DAY SERVICE FOR UP TO FOUR HOURS FULL-DAY SERVICE FOR UP TO EIGHT HOURS

Infused Aqua Fresca

SELECT TWO: Citrus, Cucumber-Mint, Very Berry

Co	offee	&
Tea	Pack	age

Regular Coffee, Assorted Hot Herbal Teas, Iced Water

Decaf Coffee Available Upon Request

HALF-DAY	4
FULL DAY	7

Complete Beverage Package

Regular Coffee, Assorted Hot Herbal Teas, Iced Water, Assorted Canned Sodas, Lemonade

Decaf Coffee Available Upon Request

HALF-DAY		8
FULL DAY	1	2

SNACK BOARDS

SERVICE FOR UP TO TWO HOURS
REQUIRES A MINIMUM ORDER OF 25 GUESTS

Includes Eco-Friendly Compostable Tableware

Vegetable Crudité

Heirloom Carrots, Cucumber, Radish, Cauliflower, Celery, Cherry Tomatoes

Served With Ranch & Hummus

13 Hummus Board

Traditional & Roasted Red Pepper Hummus, Olives, Marinated Vegetables, Toasted Pita, Crackers

Artisanal Cheese Board 15

Select Premium Cheeses, Crackers, Nuts, Dried & Fresh Fruits, Honey

		ADD-ONS			
Whole Fruit	2	Assorted Sodas	5	Trail Mix	4
Iced Tea	5	Canned Water	5	Cookies	4
Lemonade	4	Granola Bars	4	Fudge Brownies	4
Kettle Chips	4	Popcorn	6	Rice Krispie Treats	5

Appetizer Reception

- Minimum of (3) Selections Required
- Minimum Order of 50 Pieces per Item
 Pricing is per Piece
- Guarantee
- Served on Eco-Friendly Compostable Tableware

TRAY PASSED:

- Service for Up to (1) Hour
- Food Quantities Must Match the Guest 125 Passer Fee Required per 50 Guests

- Service for Up to (2) Hours
- Pricing Includes 2 Pieces per Person

MEAT	PASSED	STATIONED	SEAFOOD P	ASSED	STATIONED
Beef Empanada Chimichurri	5	10	Bacon Wrapped Shrimp 	5	10
Bratwurst Crostini Pickled Mustard Seeds, Caramelized Onion Aïoli	5	10	Crab Toast Avocado, Citrus Crème Frâiche	6	12
Chicken Satay Thai Peanut Sauce	4	8	Crab BLT Crisp Prosciutto, Tomato Aïoli, Greens	6	12
Nashville Hot Chicken N' Waffle Brown Sugar Mayo, Dill Pickle Relish	5	10	Seared Scallop Chorizo, Cilantro Gremolata	8	16
Pork Belly Deviled Egg ⋈ Pickled Mustard Seeds	4	8	Shrimp Ceviche Shooter ⋈ Mango Salsa, Lime, Cilantro	5	10
Pulled Pork Tostada ێ Sweet Potato Purée, Cotija Cheese, Pickled Jalapeños	5	10	Salmon Satay Sweet Chili Hoisin, Toasted Sesame	5	10
Swedish Meatball Fig and Balsamic Glaze	5	10	Smoked Salmon Canapé Herbed Goat Cheese, Chive, Fried Caper	5	10
Steak Slider Bacon Onion Jam, Bleu Cheese	5	10	Albacore Tuna Tartare ₩	6	12
Mac n' Cheese Fritter Chive, Bacon Jam	3	6	Pickled Ginger, Scallions		

VEGETARIAN	PASSED	STATIONED		PASSED	STATIONED
Charred Tomato Bruschetta Balsamic Glaze, Crostini	3	6	Pierogi Potato & Cheese, Sautéed Onions	4	8
Falafel Bite ¥ Tzatziki, Mango Chutney	3	6	Spanakopita Tzatziki Sauce	4	8
Fresh Vegetable Spring Roll Herbs, Sweet Chili Sauce	4	8	Tortellini Caprese Skewer Basil Pesto, Balsamic Glaze	3	6
Grilled Cheese Bite Tomato-Basil Bisque	4	8	Whipped Goat Cheese Phyllo Cup Blackberry Jam, Candied Onion	4	8

Evening Reception

CHIPS & DIP

SELECT TWO CHIPS:

SELECT TWO DIPS:

Minimum of 3 Selections Required 13 LATE NIGHT SNACK STATIONS 10 Popcorn Bar Tortilla Chips, Vegetable Crudité, Toasted Crostini, House Popped Popcorn & Kettle Corn Lavash, Assorted Crackers **SEASONINGS INCLUDE:** Garlic Parmesan, Pizza, Cinnamon Churro, Cheddar Spinach & Artichoke, Roasted Red Pepper Hummus, Creamy Queso, Salsa Fresca, Guacamole Pretzel Bar 10 SELECT ONE: MARKET VEGETABLE DISPLAY Cinnamon Sugar Pretzel Bites 12 Grilled Seasonal Vegetables, Green Goddess Dipping Chocolate Sauce, Salted Caramel Sauce, Chef's Seasonal Hummus Savory Bavarian Pretzel Bites Oueso, House Mustard SELECT BOTH 13 CHARCUTERIE DISPLAY 20 Assorted Cured Meats & Cheeses, Marinated Vegetables, Nacho Bar 12 Mixed Olives, Dried Fruits, Nuts, Seasonal Jam, Crackers Tortilla Chips Served With Queso, Pickled Jalapeños, Sour Cream, MAC N' CHEESE BAR 15 Pico De Gallo Grilled Chicken, Crispy Bacon, Caramelized Onion, **SELECT ONE PROTEIN:** Green Onion, Shredded Cheese, Toasted Breadcrumbs Beef Chili, BBO Pulled Pork, Chipotle Chicken, Ouinoa "Chorizo" 🍂 **MASHED POTATO BAR** 14 Mashed Yukon Gold Potatoes, Crispy Bacon,

DETAILS:

Requires a Minimum Order of 50 Guests

Service for Up to (2) Hours
 Eco-Friendly Compostable

Tableware

SLIDER STATION

SELECT TWO:

Grass-Fed Beef

Caramelized Onion. Cheese, House Ketchup

BBO Pulled Pork

Crispy Onion, Black Pepper BBQ Sauce

Honey Chipotle Grilled Chicken

Poblano Mayo, Asadero Cheese **Porketta**

Green Onion, Sour Cream, Cheddar Cheese, Butter

Caramelized Onion. Gruyère Cheese

Crispy Falafel Ø

Balsamic Grilled Onion, Roasted Garlic Mayo

14

Dinner Buffets

DETAILS:

- Prices Are per Person
- Service for Up to (2) Hours
- Requires a Minimum of 50 Guests
- Upgrade to House China (Additional Rental Fee Required)

INCLUDES:

- Iced Water
- Lemonade
- Eco-Friendly Compostable Tableware

OPTION ONE

SELECT ONE SALAD, TWO ACCOMPANIMENTS, ONE ENTRÉE, ONE MINI DESSERT

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OPTION TWO

SELECT ONE SALAD, TWO ACCOMPANIMENTS, TWO ENTRÉES, ONE MINI DESSERT

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SALADS

Baby Spinach 🔀

Crumbled Bacon, Hard Boiled Egg, Pickled Red Onion, Blue Cheese Dressing

Chopped / 🗷

Charred Pepper, Cucumbers, Pickled Onion, Tomato, **Buttermilk Herb Dressing**

ACCOMPANIMENTS

Brown Butter Green Beans 🕖 🔀 Buttered Corn 🕖 💥 Honey Glazed Baby Carrots 🥏 🔀 Seasonal Roasted Vegetables 🕖 🔀

Herb Roasted Potatoes 🕖 🔀 Mac N' Cheese 🕖

Classic Caesar

Croutons, Shaved

Romaine Lettuce, Garlic

Mixed Green 🕖 🔀

Cucumber, Grape Tomato,

White Balsamic Vinaigrette

Spring Mix, Carrot,

Parmesean, Caesar Dressing

Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes 💋 💥

White Cheddar Grits 💋

ENTRÉES

Red Wine Demi Glace

Butternut Squash Ravioli 🕖

Brown Butter, Sage, Spiced Walnut

Grilled Pork Chop 🔀

Balsamic Cherry Sauce

Quinoa "Chorizo" Stuffed Sweet Potato 🛚 🥕

Corn & Black Bean Salsa

Roasted Chicken Breast 🔀

Herbed White Wine Jus

Seared Salmon X

Red Pepper Romesco, Toasted Pistachio

MINI DESSERTS

Buttermilk Panna Cotta 🔀

Blueberry Compote

Flourless Chocolate Cake 🔀

Raspberry Sauce, Whipped Cream

Key Lime Cheesecake 🕖

Whipped Cream

Vanilla Crème Brûlée 🔀

Fresh Berries. Whipped Cream

ADD-ONS Prices Are per Person	
Bread & Butter	2
Coffee & Hot Tea Station Decaf Coffee Available Upon Request	3
Additional Salad, Accompaniment, Entrée or Dessert	Please Inquire

Plated Dinner

DETAILS:

- Prices Are per Person
- Requires a Minimum Order of 50 Guests
- Requires House China (Additional Rental Fee Required)

INCLUDES:

- Iced Water
- Bread & Butter
- Coffee & Hot Tea Station

Three-Course Dinner

One Salad, One Pre-Selected Entrée, One Dessert

65

SALADS

Select One ENTRÉES

Select One

Classic Caesar

Grilled Romaine, Fines Herbs, Croutons, Lemon, **Caesar Dressing**

Grains & Greens ø

Shredded Kale, Seasonal Grains, Pickled Onion, Roasted Tomato, Toasted Almonds, Citrus-Herb Vinaigrette

Mixed Green / 🗷

Artichoke Hearts, Cherry Tomato, Sliced Red Onion, **Balsamic Vinaigrette**

Wedge 🔀

Iceberg, Applewood Bacon, Chopped Egg, Tomato Confit, Creamy Bleu Cheese Vinaigrette

DESSERTS

Select One

Flourless Chocolate Torte 🔀

Raspberry Sauce, Whipped Cream

Vanilla Cheesecake 🥖

Seasonal Berries

Powdered Sugar Donuts >

Raspberry Jam

Crème Brûlée 🔀

Seasonal Berries

Braised Beef Short Ribs

Roasted Root Vegetables, Buttermilk Mashed Potatoes, Black Cherry Demi

Crispy Skin Salmon 🔀

Almond Gremolata, Bacon Brussels Sprouts Hash

Grilled Flat Iron Steak 🔀

Herb Roasted Potatoes, Grilled Broccolini, Roasted Tomato Chimichurri

Hard Cider Brined Pork Chop 🔀

Apple Butter, Sweet Corn & Lima Bean Succotash, Roasted Cauliflower Purée

Roasted Cauliflower Wellington

Wild Mushroom Duxelle, Roasted Parsnip, Gruyère Cheese, Puff Pastry

Smoked Jerk Chicken 🔀

Tropical Ginger Fruit Salsa, Red Beans & Rice

ADD-ONS

Prices Are per Person

Upgrade Entrée Selection to Duo Plate_ Please Inquire Additional Entrée Selection Please Inquire

Bar Services

Spirits include:

BOURBON, GIN, RUM, SCOTCH, TEQUILA, VODKA, WHISKEY

CONSUMPTION BAR

SETTLED POST EVENT BY THE HOST

Pricing is per Beverage Requires a Minimum Spend of 500 per Bar 150 Bartender Fee, per Bartender, Up to (2) Hours of Service

HOUSE PREMIUM Domestic Beer_____7 Domestic Beer_____7 Craft/Imported Beer____8 Craft/Imported Beer____8 Wine_____9 Wine______11 Liquor_____10 Liquor_____14 Soft Drinks_____5 Soft Drinks_____5

DETAILS:

- All Bar Services Include Clear, Compostable Cups
- All Bar Packages Are Based on (2) Hours. 10 per Person, per Additional Hour
- Upgrade to Glassware (Additional Rental Fee Required)

CASH BAR

GUESTS PURCHASE THEIR OWN BEVERAGES

Pricing is per Beverage Requires a Minimum Spend of 500 per Bar 200 Bartender Fee, per Bartender, Up to (2) Hours of Service

HOUSE		PREMIUM	
Domestic Beer	8	Domestic Beer	8
Craft/Imported Beer_	9	Craft/Imported Beer_	9
Wine	_10	Wine	_12
Liquor	_11	Liquor	_15
Soft Drinks	6	Soft Drinks	6

BARTENDER FEE

Required For Consumption & Cash Bars

One Bartender per 75 Guests

HOSTED BAR

THE COST FOR BAR SERVICES AND DRINKS ARE PAID IN ADVANCE BY HOST

Prices Are per Person All Packages Are Based on (2) Hours of Service

Beer & Wine Bar

Assorted Domestic & Craft Beers, House Red & White Wines, Iced Water

18 House Bar

Assorted Domestic & Craft Beers, Red & White Wines, House Spirits, Basic Mixers & Assorted Canned Sodas, Iced Water

Premium Bar

24

Assorted Domestic & Craft Beers, Red & White Wines, Premium Spirits, Basic Mixers & Assorted Canned Sodas, Iced Water

Champagne or Signature Cocktails

available when pre-arranged for an additional charge

