

# Gala Menu





### Gala **Events**

Experience Victoria's vibrant and diverse culture through our delicious, sustainable, and inclusive plates a celebration of community and creativity, not just food.

#### **Standard Inclusions**

- · Tea and coffee
- · Selection of handmade chocolate truffles
- · House-made sourdough bread with olive oil and butter

#### **Pre-Dinner Canapés**

\$15 per person

Select

One x Cold Canapés (see items) Two x Hot Canapés (see items)

#### **Two-Course Menu**

\$78 per person

Select

One x Entrée (see items) One x Main Course (see items)

One x Main Course (see items) One x Dessert (see items)

#### Three-Course Menu

\$110 per person

Three-course selection including an alternating drop for one course

(see Entrée) (see Main Course) (see Dessert)

#### **Networking Gala**

\$116 per person

Selection of substantial canapés on arrival, shared-style main course and mini desserts

+ Additional alternate drop \$6.50 per person

(see details)

# Gala Menu Guide

#### **Cold Canapés**

#### Select one

- Beef tartare with confit egg yolk and mountain pepper GF
- · Sashimi salmon, sushi donut with kewpie and sesame **GF**
- Poached chicken rice paper roll with Vietnamese mint and nuoc cham dipping sauce
- Gruyere gougères with black truffle custard V
- Coffin Bay oysters with buttermilk dressing and sea parsley oil GF
- · Chicken and charred corn taco with guacamole and salted ricotta
- Duck liver parfait toast with cherry gel and pistachio
- Spiced sweet potato and black bean tostada with chipotle and coriander
   V | VF | GF
- Sweet tomato tart with basil and olive gravel V | VF | GF
- Compressed watermelon, rose water, candy pistachios, coconut labne and pomegranate V | VF | GF

#### **Hot Canapés**

#### Select two

- Potato spun prawns with native thyme and caper aioli GF
- · Angus beef burger with American cheese and burger sauce
- · Lychee cuttlefish bites with ink mayo and micro parsley
- · Smoked ham and mozzarella empanada with red chimichurri
- · Steamed chicken and sweetcorn sui mai with yellow bean dressing
- Mac and cheese croquettes with basil aioli V
- · Beef bourguignon pie with smoked tomato relish and bacon crumb
- Buffalo cauliflower bites with ranch dressing and dill V | VF | GF
- Spiced chickpea and vegetable pie with bush tomato relish V | VF | GF
- Sweetcorn and purple kale fritter with spring onion relish V | VF | GF



#### V | Vegetarian VF | Vegan-Friendly GF | Gluten-Friendly

#### Please note

Other dietary requirements can be catered for upon request. A 15 per cent surcharge applies for Sunday and public holiday events. All prices are inclusive of GST. Applicable across the entire menu.

#### **Entrée**

Intricately designed and beautifully crafted, these small starters make a big impression.

#### Select one

#### · A Taste of Victoria

Our iconic tasting plate showcases the very best Victorian produce. Includes: Poached barramundi with macadamia crumb, Yarra Valley caviar, lemon myrtle kumara, hickory smoked Moorabool Valley corn-fed duck breast with wilted coastline saltbush, sea succulents and bay leaf oil

- Pea and ricotta ravioli served with river mint and champagne cream sauce V
- Shaoxing wine Bendigo chicken accompanied by miso mayo, pink ginger, choy sum and chilli oil GF
- Moorabool Valley corn-fed duck breast paired with muscat cherry puree, pistachio and cocoa nib granola GF
- · Salmon with finger lime, Granny Smith apple and puffed wild rice **GF**
- Gippsland tataki beef salad with daikon, cucumber, sesame and ponzu dressing GF
- Butter-poached prawn tail, served with hemp seed and confit chicken croquette, corn, buttermilk and sea parsley dressing GF
- Beetroot terrine with pickled celeriac, hazelnut vinaigrette and fine herbs
   V | VF | GF





#### Select one

- Victorian farms beef fillet with truffled mash, smoked bush tomato butter and bordelaise jus GF
- Bendigo chicken breast, roasted corn puree, polenta, garden pea shoots and Warragul greens GF
- 16-hour braised beef cheek with parsnip cream, heirloom carrot and gremolata crumbs GF
- Slow-roasted high country pork loin and belly with broccoli puree, braised witlof and crackle GF
- Tarragon-crusted Bendigo chicken with celeriac and Davidson plum remoulade, pont neuf and spiced jus GF
- Slow-cooked Victorian lamb shank, off the bone, pomegranate, mountain pepper glaze, grain tabouli and tahini yoghurt GF
- Ocean trout, pan-roasted scallop, caramelised kumara, salsa verve and vermouth velouté GF
- Cauliflower steak frites, mushroom jus and green peppercorn V | VF | GF
- Chickpea panisse with braised lentils, zucchini noodles and pumpkin seed pesto V | VF | GF

Select your package

## Mini Desserts to the Table

(V | VF | GF)

- · Blood orange and dark chocolate tart
- · Chocolate and berry tart
- · Passionfruit and caramel tart
- Banana and hazelnut cake, coffee and whiskey mousse
- · Lemon and raspberry brownie

#### **Plated Desserts**

- + Alternate drop is available for **\$6.50 per person**
- Berry panna cotta, puffed grains pressed sable, raspberry jelly, strawberry and hibiscus consommé V | VF | GF | NF
- Chocolate pressed sable, hazelnut creameux, pear jelly and pear sorbet V | VF | GF

+ Additional items

#### **To Share**

(V | VF | GF)

#### \$56.50 per platter (serves 10)

- Baby cos, heirloom cherry tomato, and pickled watermelon with black olive crumb
- Chipotle-rubbed carrots with chimichurri and mint
- · Chat potato with fermented black garlic and parsley crumb



# **Networking Gala** Connect, celebrate and make memories while enjoying delicious food and drinks in the heart of the city. Baby cos, heirloom cherry tomato and pickled watermelon and black 2 olive crumb

#### **Standard Inclusions**

- · Variety of teas and barista-made coffee
- Selection of handmade chocolate truffles
- House-made sourdough bread with olive oil and butter

#### **Substantial Canapés**

- Rare roasted Victorian lamb loin, beetroot relish, lemon myrtle mayo and rice cake GF
- · Hiramasa kingfish ceviche with finger lime, green chilli and coconut **GF**
- Chicken and sweetcorn potsticker with yellow bean dressing and chilli crisp
- Char-grilled king brown mushroom with Warragul green pesto V | VF | GF

#### **Shared Main Course**

- Victorian Farms beef fillet with truffled mash, smoked bush tomato butter and bordelaise jus GF
- Crusted barramundi with macadamia crumb, pea puree and fried saltbush GF
- Rolled Bendigo chicken stuffed with field mushroom duxelle, confit garlic and thyme jus GF
- Roast cauliflower with braised white beans, espelette oil and watercress
   V | VF | GF

#### **Sides**

#### (V | VF | GF)

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- · Chat potato with fermented black garlic and parsley crumb

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# **Elevate your Event** Take your event to the next level with a dessert activation, pop-up bar or late night bites. Crafted by third-generation French cheesemaker Matthieu Megard, L'Artisan cheese showcases the terroir of the Great Ocean Road. Enjoy a cheese selection served with fruit, nuts and house-baked sourdough bread

#### Smash It!

#### \$13 per person

Chefs will be on-hand smashing pieces of delectable sweet treats featuring flavour combinations such as caramelised milk chocolate, rocky road and a new take on the Aussie classic – berry and coconut lamington V

#### **Affogato Bar**

#### \$12 per person

Enjoy our award-winning hazelnut ice cream topped with freshly brewed espresso coffee

#### Fromage L'Artisan

#### \$14 per person

Crafted by third-generation French cheesemaker Matthieu Megard, L'Artisan cheese showcases the unique aspects of the Great Ocean Road region. Enjoy a cheese selection served with fruit, nuts and house-baked sourdough bread V

#### **Late Night Bites**

#### \$13 per person

#### Select two

As the night winds down, treat your guests to these end-of-event favourites.

- Butter chicken pie with eggplant kasundi
- Angus beef burger with American cheese, pickle, dijonnaise and ketchup
- Choc-dipped mini-ice creams with freeze-dried raspberry V
- Shoestring fries with tomato sauce and aioli V
- · Torched lemon meringue tarts V





## Non-Alcoholic Beverage Packages

Sip on something special with our non-alcoholic selection of drinks

#### **Standard Package**

(per person)

- · 1 hour **\$15.50**
- · 2 hours **\$18.50**
- · 3 hours **\$22**
- · 4 hours **\$25**
- · 5 hours **\$28**

#### **Standard Inclusions**

- · Variety of soft drinks and juices
- · Carafes of water

#### **Premium Package**

(per person)

- · 1 hour **\$23**
- · 2 hours \$31
- · 3 hours **\$39**
- · 4 hours **\$46**
- · 5 hours **\$52.50**

#### **Standard Inclusions**

- · One non-alcoholic wine
- · One non-alcoholic beer
- · One ETCH native sparkling water
- · Two Naked Life mocktails
- · Variety of soft drinks and juices
- · Carafes of water

## Alcoholic Beverage Packages

Select from our collection of local wines, craft beers and seltzers.

#### Classic Package

(per person)

- · 1 hour **\$28**
- · 2 hours \$37
- · 3 hours **\$45**
- · 4 hours **\$53**
- · 5 hours **\$60**
- + Additional half hour \$6.50 per person

#### **Standard Inclusions**

- One ETCH Native flavoured sparkling water
- · One classic sparkling wine
- · One classic white wine
- · One classic red wine
- · One classic rosé
- · One standard beer
- · One non-alcoholic beer
- · One seltzer
- · Variety of soft drinks and juices
- · Carafes of water

#### **Premium Package**

(per person)

- · 1 hour **\$35**
- · 2 hours \$43.50
- · 3 hours **\$52**
- · 4 hours \$59.50
- · 5 hours **\$67**
- + Additional half hour \$6.50 per person

#### **Standard Inclusions**

- One ETCH Native flavoured sparkling water
- · One Naked Life mocktail
- · One premium sparkling wine
- · One premium white wine
- $\cdot$  One premium red wine
- · One premium rosé
- · One non-alcoholic sparkling wine
- · One standard beer
- · One premium beer
- · One non-alcoholic beer
- · One seltzer
- · Variety of soft drinks and flavoured water
- · Variety of fruit juices
- · Carafes of water

#### **Executive Package**

(per person)

- · 1 hour **\$43**
- · 2 hours **\$52**
- · 3 hours **\$60**
- · 4 hours \$68
- · 5 hours **\$75**
- + Additional half hour **\$6.50 per person**

#### **Standard Inclusions**

- · One signature Four Pillars Gin & Tonic can
- · One ETCH Native flavoured sparkling water
- · One Naked Life mocktail
- · One premium sparkling wine
- · One premium white wine
- · One premium red wine
- · One premium rosé
- · One non-alcoholic sparkling wine
- · Two premium beers
- · One non-alcoholic beer
- · One seltzer
- Variety of soft drinks and flavoured water
- · Variety of fruit juices
- · Carafes of water



#### **Upgrade**

Upgrade your Classic or Premium package by adding our Four Pillars canned mixers for **\$7 per person** upon arrival.

#### Select one

- · Rare Dry Gin and Tonic (5.1%) 250ml
- · Bloody Shiraz Gin and Tonic (5.1%) 250ml
- · Fresh Yuzu Gin & Soda (5.1%) 250ml

Alternatively, you can pre-purchase a selected quantity for **\$14.50 each**.



# **Cocktails** and **Mocktails**

#### **Standard Cocktails**

#### \$15 each

#### Espresso Martini

Aether vodka, Kahlua, espresso, cocktail syrup and coffee beans

#### Margarita

Batanga Tequila Blanco, Triple Sec, lime juice and fresh lime

#### Negroni

Four Pillars Rare Dry Gin, Campari, Rosso Vermouth, amaretto and fresh orange

#### French 75

Four Pillars Rare Dry Gin, lemon juice, and prosecco with a lemon twist

#### **Signature Cocktails**

#### \$20 each

#### **Clover Club**

Four Pillars Rare Dry Gin, lemon juice, raspberry syrup and fresh raspberries

#### Rye Is The Business

Gospel Straight Rye Whiskey, lemon juice, honey syrup and fresh mint

#### **Bloody Gin Sour**

Four Pillars Bloody Shiraz Gin, lemon juice, cocktail syrup and fresh lemon

#### Blackberry Margarita

Batanga Tequila Blanco, Chambord, lime juice, Triple Sec and fresh lime

#### **Mocktails**

#### **Naked Life Mocktails**

#### \$7 each

- · Gin and Tonic
- · Italian Spritz
- · Caribbean, Lime and Soda

#### **Upgrade**

Elevate your event with our Four Pillars activation station when you order minimum 400 of our signature Four Pillars gin cocktails — Clover Club or Bloody Gin Sour.

You decide the mix.



#### **Sparkling**

- · Cloud Street Sparkling NV, Victoria
- · Rococo Sparkling, King Valley

#### White

- · Pettavel Viognier 2022, Yarra Valley
- · Redbank 'Victorian Selection' Pinot Grigio 2023, King Valley
- · St Ignatius CW Contemplation Chardonnay 2020, Pyrenees

#### Red

- · 'Re-Write the Rules' Pinot Noir 2022, Pyrenees
- St Ignatius CW Contemplation Shiraz 2018, Pyrenees
- Trentham Estate 'The Family' Nero D'Avola 2020, Murray Darling

#### Rosé

· Mitchelton 'The Bend' Rosé 2021, Goulburn Valley



#### **Premium Wines**

#### **Sparkling**

- Scotchman's Hill Swan Bay Prosecco, Geelong King Valley
- · Balgownie NV Brut, Yarra Valley

#### White

- · Bellarine Estate James' Paddock Chardonnay, Geelong Bellarine Peninsula
- · John Gehrig Riesling 2019, King Valley
- Michelini Italian Selection Pinot Grigio 2023, Alpine Valley

#### Red

- · Blue Pyrenees Estate Section 1 Shiraz 2020, Pyrenees
- · La Cantina Dolcetto 2022, King Valley
- · Helen & Joey 'Alena' Pinot Noir 2022, Yarra Valley

#### Rosé

 Tahbilk Grenache Mourvedre Rosé, Goulburn Valley

#### **Executive Wines**

#### **Sparkling**

- · Nomads Garden Prosecco, King Valley
- Tahbilk Coueslant Chardonnay Pinot Noir Sparkling, Goulburn Valley

#### White

- · Fenian Wines Pinot Gris 2023, Mornington Peninsula
- · Levantine Hill Glen Garvald Chardonnay 2022, Yarra Valley

#### Red

- · In Dreams Pinot Noir 2022, Yarra Valley
- · Sally's Paddock Sasha Cabernet Shiraz, Pyrenees

#### Rosé

· Levantine Hill Glen Garvald Rosé 2022, Yarra Valley

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#### **Beer and Seltzer**

#### **Standard Beer**

- Stomping Ground Laneway Lager (4.7%) VF
- · Mountain Goat Pale Ale (4.8%) VF

#### **Premium Beer**

- · Good Land Good Lager (5%) VF
- · Urban Alley Urban Ale (4.2%) VF

#### Seltzer

· Moon Dog Fizzer Piney Limey VF | GF

#### Non-Alcoholic

#### Non-Alcoholic Beer

· Bridge Road Free Time (<0.5%) VF

#### Non-Alcoholic Sparkling Wine

· Vinada Sparkling Chardonnay

## **ETCH Native Flavoured Sparkling Water**

- · Finger Lime & Lemon Myrtle VF
- · Mountain Pepperberry & Raspberry VF



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