



MINNESOTA ZOO®

PICNIC PACKAGE

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!

ALLERGEN NOTICE

SSA Group, LLC. offers products that may contain: Peanuts, Tree Nuts, Soy, Dairy, Sesame and Wheat. While we take steps to minimize the risk of cross contamination, we cannot guarantee that any of our products are 100% safe to consume for people with peanut, tree nut, soy, milk, sesame or wheat allergies.

At Minnesota Zoo, we make every effort to identify ingredients that may cause allergic reactions for those individuals with food allergies. Items marked gluten friendly are made with no gluten-containing ingredients. Items marked as vegan are made with no animal products (dairy, eggs, etc). We have strict policies in place to avoid cross contamination. However, there is always a risk of contamination (we cannot guarantee a total absence of these allergens in the menu items we produce).

MENUS

There is a Food & Beverage minimum that must be met for all catered events. 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.

Extended service times beyond the included time frames denoted on each menu will incur an Extended Service Fee at the rate of ten percent (10%) of the menu cost for each additional hour of extended service time. Partial hours of extended service will be rounded up to the nearest half-hour.

FOOD GUARANTEES

Final guest count refers to the number of guests the Client expects to attend the event and is used to finalize food, beverage, and catering requirements at the event. The final guest count is due at least ten (10) business days before the event date and may not be less than the guaranteed minimum guest count your agreement was based on.

Increases to the guest count and last-minute orders past this due date will be considered but are subject to necessary equipment and menu items, potential additional costs, and the approval of your Sales Representative.

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. All events serving alcohol will require additional security. Your Sales Manager will provide appropriate information at the time of booking.

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.

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.

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.

Picnic Package

SELECT YOUR VENUE AND TIMESLOT:

Picnics are held at CrossRoads or Shady Oaks
from 11am-1pm -OR- 2-4pm

DETAILS:

- Food Service for Up to (2) Hours
- Requires a Minimum of 50 Guests
- Prices Are per Person

INCLUDES:

- Iced Water
- Lemonade
- Eco-Friendly Compostable Tableware
- Picnic Tables
- Picnic Set-Up & Breakdown

BALLPARK

20

Served with:

Beef Chili, Chopped Onion, Shredded Cheddar, Sauerkraut
Hot Peppers, Classic Condiments

SELECT (2) ENTRÉES:

All-Beef Hot Dogs 🍴

Grilled Bratwurst 🍴

Polish Sausage 🍴

CLASSIC AMERICAN

25

Served with:

Lettuce, Pickles, Onion, Cheddar Cheese, Classic Condiments

All-Beef Hot Dogs 🍴

Grilled Hamburgers 🍴

SMOKEHOUSE

28

Served with:

BBQ Sauce, Onion, Pickles, Cornbread Muffins

SELECT TWO ENTRÉES:

BBQ Chopped Pork 🍴

Chopped Beef Brisket 🍴

Dry Rubbed Bone-In Chicken 🍴

Smoked Sausage Links 🍴

FACILITY RENTAL & ADMISSION RATES

Includes Exclusive Access to Picnic Space for up to (2) Hours

Monday-Friday _____ 600

Saturday & Sunday _____ 750

Event Admission _____ 22 per person

Includes parking

MENU ENHANCEMENTS

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

All-Day Beverage Wristband _____ 12

Unlimited Soda Fountain Refills Within The Zoo

Bar Services _____ Please Inquire For Items & Pricing

Brownies 🍴 _____ 4

Corn-On-The-Cob 🍴 _____ 2

Can Be Substituted For Menu Side for Additional Fee

Mac N' Cheese 🍴 _____ 4

Can Be Substituted For Menu Side for Additional Fee

Popcorn 🍴 _____ 6

Vegetarian Burgers 🍴 _____ 5

Gluten Free Buns 🍴 _____ 3

Impossible Burger 🍴 _____ 7

ZOO ENHANCEMENTS

Please Inquire for Additional Information and Pricing

Entertainment

Carousel Rides

Facepainting

Additional Equipment

Microphone and Speakers, Pop-Up Tents, Extra Tables

Extra Chairs, Additional Décor

ALL PACKAGES INCLUDE:

BBQ Beans 🍴

Coleslaw 🍴 -OR- Potato Salad 🍴

Chocolate Chip Cookies 🍴

Kettle Chips 🍴

Due to the seasonal nature of our sustainable practices, items & prices are subject to change. Prices are subject to a 25% service charge (where applicable) and current sales tax.

Dietary Information: 🍴 Vegetarian 🍴 Vegan 🍴 Gluten-Free



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