Summer 2024

Ideas for parties & sit down meals

Bites & Canapés

Piparras (antipasti skewers)

Quail egg, pipparras (Basque pickled peppers), olives, poponcini peppers

Zesty asparagus cigars

Asparagus wrapped in golden baked filo & topped with a little lemon & parmesan

Salmon ceviche

Salmon & lime, avocado, corn & radish, micro coriander

Spinach feta nutmeg tartlets w. hazelnut pangrattato

Whipped ricotta, honey & macadamia filo cups

Pea & feta croquettes w. mint mayonnaise

Sandwiches or Toasts

sandwiches are afternoon tea style, toasts are open

Whipped cream cheese, chive & radish sandwiches Smoked salmon, lemon & cracked pepper sandwiches Egg, caper & dill mayonnaise Blue-cheese & celery with chives Coronation chicken

Mini Yorkshire puddings with roast beef & horseradish cream

Merguez sausage rolls w harissa mayo

Zucchini fritter mini burgers

Bun, fritter, sweet chili & shredded lettuce

Beef sliders

Bun, 100% beef patty, pickle, shredded lettuce

Harissa squash 'sausage' rolls w. mustard mayo

Welsh rarebit' tarts.

Pastry shells filled w. cheesy, mustardy filling w. Worcestershire sauce

Cheddar, bacon & sun-dried tomato fluffy mini savoury muffins

Devilled eggs or Shakshuka eggs

Traditional deviled eggs, or filled with a Shakshuka sauce of red peppers, tomato & herbs

Or try a chilled soup?

Chilled pea & mint soup Gazpacho with chilled cucumber garnish Leek & yoghurt soup with a chili butter

Accompanied by nibbles

Marinated olives Home-roast mixed nuts

Artisanal crisps Pink-pickles Crispy corn Popcorn

Skewers

Chicken satay skewers Patlican kebabs Persian lamb & aubergine kebabs

Aubergine yakitori skewers

Aubergine & carrot skewers marinated in a yakitori sauce

Corn on the cob with tamarind chili butter & coriander

Spicy white-fish kebabs

Tangy yoghurt based marinade

Zatar & preserved lemon salmon skewers

Haloumi, caramelised squash & sweet red pepper Paneer & pepper shashlik w. chat masala

Crudités

Persian cucumber, sweet baby peppers, radish, heritage carrots, endive, podded peas

Sauces & dips

Black olive tapenade, Salsa verde, Tzatziki, Hipti (red pepper & feta), Artichoke & lemon, Labneh Hummus with herbs & dukkah, Muhammara (red pepper & walnut), Babaganoush

Flatbreads, pita, ciabatta

BBQ ideas

Mostly all of these dishes can be cooked with an indoor grill

Lemongrass tofu steaks & Vietnamese dipping sauce

Fish

Chargrilled whole squid, chili & mint, Vietnamese dipping sauce Salmon en papillote with tomato & black olive / preserved lemon and zatar Whole seabass with lemongrass, ginger & coriander stuffing. Sweet & sour sauce

Meat

Spatchcock chicken with tandoori-style rub. Served with lemon wedges & chutney Butterflied leg of lamb, black garlic & baharat rub. Served with radish, cucumber, fennel tarator Onglet steaks. Rosemary, oregano & thyme marinade. Served with light pickled red onions Italian sausages. Pork & fennel, pork & chili

Centerpiece dishes

Served cold but can be warmed on request

Porchetta stuffed with fennel, garlic & herbs & crispy skin

Roast rib of beef. Served medium rare

Chicken Marbella

Classic chicken dish with overnight marinated chicken pieces roasted in a slightly sweet sauce with contrasting flavours of olives, capers & prunes

Gravlax, home-cured with cured beetroot carapaccio, mustard-dill sauce, soused cucumber & radish. Pumpernickel breads

Chard, caramelised onion & feta tart with toasted pine nuts

Roast trout fillet, with lemons, herbs & white wine sauce

Tahinat betinjan

Fried aubergine, pomegranate, parsley \mathcal{C} mint atop tahini-yoghurt sauce

Rosemary, garlic and parmesan polenta wedges served in a homemade tomato & basil sauce with black olives

Spring green pasta

Cavatelli pasta w. green sauce & vegetables peas, spinach, chard, & mint

Caponata

Mediterranean vegetables, capers, olives, pine nuts, herbs

Sides & Salads

[choose 3-4 to accompany BBQ or centrepieces]

Grilled hispi cabbage with chili, garlic & ginger dipping sauce

Mustard & orange dressed summer veg

Roasted asparagus, leeks, radish & broad beans with orange mustard dressing

Salt baked Jersey Royals with peas, mint & mustard

Sweet braised summer vegetables

Baby leeks, carrots, fresh peas braised in a light stock with mint & parsley

Braised butter beans with fennel & white wine

Garlicy charred broccoli & kale with hazelnuts & coriander dressing

Roast cauliflower salad, rosemary, turmeric, crispy cauliflower leaf, capers, cherry tomato, vinegar & sea salt

BBQ'd baby gem lettuce & spring onion salad with shaved manchego cheese & membrillo dressing

Broad bean, pea, mint & feta salad with peashoots

Toasted fregola & grilled haloumi. Orange wedges, toasted pine huts & parsley

Panzanella

Tomato & onion salad with fresh basil & sourdough bread

Rainbow salad in a lime & tahini-tamari-maple dressing Shards of red cabbage, carrot, cucumber, red onion, fennel, lettuce, coriander, mint

Smoked rice, barberry & black bean. Lime zest and juice

Puy lentil salad of courgette & roast red onions

Mixed green leaves with a classic French vinaigrette

Breads

Plump warmed focaccia, sourdough, rustic baguette, mini-rolls

And choose from sauces and dips on page 2

Sweets

Cakes are served whole with some slices pre-cut. Shortcakes to friands are served as individual portions

Chocolate nemesis cake

A hugely rich decadent chocolate cake

Pavlova -Summer fruits or Chocolate & Espresso

Meringue & cream & choice of topping

Basque burnt cheesecake

Strawberry shortcakes

Fluffy shortcakes served with strawberries & cream

Chocolate & caramelised walnut brownies

Gooseberry & elderflower creams

Little pots of elderflower compote with a set sweet cream topping

Saffron panna cotta & maple roast cherries

Cardamom, vanilla & orange blossom posset. Almond brittle

Lemon & lime meringue tartlets

Charry & basil friands

Sophisticated little almond cakes

Chocolate pots de crème

Baklavas

Syrup soaked nut & filo pastries

Fruit

Seasonal fruit skewers featuring pineapple, grape, strawberries, melons

Berry & citrus fruit salad

Medjool dates stuffed w. almonds, honey, spices Chocolate dipped strawberries

Ice-creams & sorbet

Ice-creams:

Coffee, vanilla, salted caramel, fruit, clotted cream, mint, chocolate - choose your flavours

Sorbet:

Lemon, mango, coconut, rose – choose your flavours

Cheeseboard (self-service)

Example: Lancashire, Gorywdd Caerphilly, Gubeen, Skegness Blue, Goat's log Sourdough, cracker & crispbread selection, quince jelly, grapes, celery, dried figs & chutney (or make a personal selection of cheeses)

Summer Drinks

A selection of refreshing summer cocktails to accompany other soft drinks, wine & beers

Watermelon & basil iced tea Tarragon & cucumber lemonade Peach & lime spritzer

Pimms with cucumber, orange, strawberry & lemonade

Mojito
White rum, mint, syrup, soda

Peach Bellini
Peach, sparkling wine or champagne

Raspberry caipirinha
Cachaca, lime, raspberry, mint, sugar, ice