



# A Christmas Carol Party

AT

THE ATHENÆUM

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BURY ST EDMUNDS

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Join us this year to celebrate the festive season with The Athenaeum's own take on 'A Christmas Carol' enjoying a modern twist with the beauty of Victorian elegance.

Charles Dickens, the author of this much loved novel, gave readings at our stunning, Grade I listed venue in 1859 and again in 1861.

Historically, The Athenaeum has always been popular for social events and party gatherings - from Victorian times to the present day – thus providing the perfect visual backdrop to complement **The Christmas Carol** theme.

**T**his Christmas we will take you on a wonderful journey back to mid-Victorian times to experience festive customs and traditions.

These will include family and friends gathering, carols, seasonal food and plenty to drink! Not to mention creating a present-day party atmosphere for you and your guests to celebrate the wonderful occasion in style.

Our spectacular Christmas tree will be traditionally decorated with an amazing display of dried fruit from oranges, holly berries, strings of dried cranberries as well as cinnamon sticks and candies wrapped in beautiful colors.

Upon arrival, you and your guests will be warmly welcomed and invited to start your evening with a chilled glass of sparkling fizz.

Following your festive drinks, you will be led into the stunningly decorated Georgian Ballroom... step back in time and let the festive scents of cinnamon, berries and oranges engulf you.

Our outstanding team of chefs have created a sumptuous three course festive dinner using the finest seasonal ingredients to provide you with a true taste sensation.

After your Christmas dinner with all the trimmings, our resident DJ will have you on the dance floor for the rest of the night, enjoying an array of tunes, requests and festive favorites.

Bookings are required for multiples of 8 guests per table. Please note that we can hire larger tables for 10 guests, at an additional charge.



## PACKAGE INCLUDES

- Event manager
- Glass of fizz on arrival
- Three course Christmas dinner
- Tea/coffee
- Party DJ
- Christmas decorations
- Photo booth
- Venue security

## AGENDA

- 19:00 Arrival  
19:30 Dinner served  
21:45 DJ to start  
00:00 Bar to close  
00:15 DJ finishes  
00:30 Event to close

*Don't be a  
Scrooge - dress  
to impress in your  
festive finery for a  
very memorable  
night out!*

## DATES AND PRICES

- £43.50 Thursday 3rd Dec  
£46.50 Friday 4th Dec  
£46.50 Saturday 5th Dec  
£43.50 Thursday 10th Dec  
£46.50 Friday 11th Dec  
£46.50 Saturday 12th Dec  
£41.50 Wednesday 16th Dec  
£43.50 Thursday 17th Dec  
£46.50 Friday 18th Dec  
£46.50 Saturday 19th Dec

*Please note prices are quoted per person and include VAT*





*'What a  
fantastic night!  
Your events never fail to  
impress, we look forward  
to them every year... Oh we  
also loved the addition of the  
photo-booth this year! We  
cannot wait for the  
next one'*



# Christmas Menu

## STARTERS

**Chicken, Apricot and Pancetta Terrine**  
*with Fruit Compote and Rye Toasts*

**Celeriac and Truffle Soup** (V, VG, DF, GF option available)  
*with Roasted Hazelnuts*

**Salmon Gravavlax** (GF)  
*with Roasted Fennel Salad*

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## MAIN COURSES

**Roasted Roulade of Turkey** (GF)  
*Stuffed with Sage and Onion, Carrot Puree and Honey Glazed Parsnips,  
Chipolata Wrapped in Bacon, Roasted Potatoes and Gravy*

**Roasted Fillet of Hake** (GF)  
*with Carrot Puree and Honey Glazed Parsnips, Roasted Potatoes  
and Saffron Cream Sauce*

**Cranberry and Lentil Bake** (V, VG, DF, GF option available)  
*Carrot Puree and Honey Glazed Parsnips, Roasted Potatoes and Gravy*

Bowls of Sage Roasted Sprouts will be available on each table

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## DESSERTS

**Dark Chocolate Marquise** (V)  
*with Raspberry Sauce and White Chocolate Snow*

**Mulled Plum Tart Tatin** (V)  
*Salted Caramel Sauce with Christmas Pudding Ice Cream*

**Vanilla Panna Cotta** (V, VG, DF, GF)  
*with Fruit Compote and Shortbread Biscuits*



# Wine List

To ensure your evening runs smoothly, pre-order your table drinks with us before you arrive. Full wine list, cocktails and Christmas specials are available on request.

## WHITE

£19.50	Giotto Catarratto Pinot Grigio	ITALY
£22.00	El Pico Sauvignon Blanc	CHILE
£25.00	Lorosco Reserva Chardonnay 2014	CHILE

## ROSÉ

£21.00	Giotto Rosé Vino D'Italia	ITALY
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## RED

£19.50	Rock Hopper Merlot	AUSTRALIA
£22.00	McGuigan Cabernet Shiraz	AUSTRALIA
£25.00	Castillo Viento Rioja Joven Tinto	SPAIN

## SPARKLING

£27.00	Marquis De Valetta Brut Sparkling Wine
£27.00	Torre De Gall Cava Rosado Rose Sparkling Wine
£29.00	Mionetto Prosecco
£55.00	Jacquart Brut Champagne



Please note that this is our sample wine list and therefore some of the items might not be available at the time of your party and prices may vary.

# Exclusive Hire Available

You can also exclusively hire our beautiful,  
Georgian Ballroom and enjoy your own take on  
**'A Christmas Carol'** at The Athenaeum.

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## PRICE

**£46.50 per person**

*(Minimum number of 150 guests required)*



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## January Parties

**W**e understand that December can be a very busy period and therefore you might not be able to organise your Christmas Party at the usual festive time.

You don't need to worry, as we have a range of dates available in January

and February and we would love to host your private party at our venue.

We can create a bespoke package to suit your budget and requirements, with the same sparkle and glamour as a Christmas party in December.



# Book Now

TO MAKE AN ENQUIRY OR BOOK,  
PLEASE CONTACT OUR CHRISTMAS TEAM

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## TERMS & CONDITIONS

A non-refundable £15.00 per person deposit is required to secure every booking. Once any payment is received no refunds or special discounts will be given.

Please note that you will be fully charged for the number of guests indicated on the signed booking form.

All payments are non-transferable to other events and cannot be used to pay for beverages at the event.

Any bookings made after 20th of November are not eligible for deposit payment and must be paid in full.

Final balance payments are due no later than one month prior to the event date and no refunds will be given after this date.

All invoices and VAT receipts will be raised under the name and contact details of the party organiser, therefore please make sure that these details are correct at the time of booking.

Please note that we are unable to accept multiple payment methods for an invoice.

All pre-orders must be returned at least one month prior to the event with any special dietary requirements. Any final changes must be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event together with a seating plan. If no seating plan is provided, guests will be seated in the order provided on the pre-order form. The form must be filled in digitally as no other documents will be accepted (i.e. PDFs, hand written, pictures etc.).

Please be prepared to provide proof of age with valid and current identification. This can be either a UK photo card driver's licence or passport. The team at The Athenaeum and security contractors reserve the right to conduct ID checks at any time.

Any damage to property of The Athenaeum will be charged back to the party organiser who, by confirming a booking, accepts liability for any damages caused by their party.

No food or drink can be brought onto the premises. Random searches will be carried out on entry. Anyone found bringing such items to the event will have the items confiscated and may be refused entry. In this situation, no refunds will be given.

Beverages are not permitted to leave the premises and must be consumed during the event.

In the event of offensive/abusive language or behaviour, staff reserve the right to refuse service or request ejection of the offender from the premises. In this situation, no refunds will be given.

The Athenaeum does not take responsibility for any items lost or damaged during the event.

Guests under the age of 18 are not permitted into our party nights.



*Proud to be the catering and hospitality  
partner at The Athenaeum*