

The tradition of taking afternoon tea as a light meal is said to have been started by Duchess Anna Maria, wife of the 7<sup>th</sup> Duke of Bedford, in the 1840s. She felt that it was a long time between luncheon and dinner and that taking tea and delicate sandwiches, cakes and biscuits at 5 o'clock helped to bridge the gap! At Woburn Abbey, she entertained her friends in the Blue Drawing Room and in London either at her house in Belgrave Square or one of the Royal Palaces, when she was in attendance as Lady in Waiting to Queen Victoria.

### **English breakfast**

A traditional blend to satisfy all palates throughout the day

### **China Teas**

**Lapsang Souchong:** This black tea from the Fujien province, smoked over pine fires, is a distinct smoky tea with a silky tarriness, wonderful depth of flavour.

**Earl Grey:** This black tea from China is beautifully balanced with refreshing citrus bergamot, silky & smooth with a delightful aroma.

**Jasmine:** this tea from the Fujien province is beautifully flavoured with jasmine flowers, wonderful perfume with delicate taste.

### **Indian Teas**

**Darjeeling:** This black tea from in the foothills of the Himalayas produces wonderful light liquor with a delicate flavour of green muscatel

**Assam:** A full bodied black tea from north of India, this has a distinctive aroma, rounded malty flavour and attractive red liquor  
**Sri Lanka:** this black tea is light with full flavour and scented aroma

**Peppermint or Fresh Mint Tea, Verbena  
Camomile, Lemon and Ginger, Fruit Infusions**

### **Traditional English Afternoon Tea**

Selection of finger sandwiches  
One freshly baked plain or fruit scone served with  
Cornish clotted cream and Rose petal and strawberry jam  
Choose a cake and a pastry from our selection  
Pot of tea of your choice  
**£16.25**

### **Champagne Tea**

Traditional English afternoon tea, served with a glass  
of chilled Jaquart Brut "Mosaique" Champagne  
**£24.00**

### **Pot of Afternoon Tea**

English breakfast, Earl Grey, Lapsang  
Souchong, Jasmine, Darjeeling, Assam,  
Sri Lanka, Camomile, Fresh mint  
Lemon and Ginger, Verbena  
Fruit infusions  
**£3.65**

### **Club Tea**

Pot of tea of your choice  
with  
Selection of finger sandwiches  
**Or**  
One freshly baked plain or fruit scone with  
Cornish clotted cream and Rose petal strawberry jam  
**Or**  
Choose a cake or a pastry from our selection  
**£7.75**