



## Tea at the Angel

Welcome to tea at The Angel Hotel.

We offer a wide range of teas and infusions. Do ask for advice as we encourage our guests to experiment with the varieties on offer. And do remember if you don't like a choice, would like to try something else, or just get a top-up, please tell us. We'll provide additional brews with pleasure.

This menu starts with the history of tea, then the food options, followed by the seasonal tea choices. And then we have our full classic tea library.

Every morning, our specialist team bake for you the range of traditional and individual cakes in our special high tea kitchen. Enjoy!

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#the\_angel\_abergavenny

We do not list all ingredients in menu descriptions so please ask to see our comprehensive list of allergens or go to [www.allergeninfo.uk/angel](http://www.allergeninfo.uk/angel)

## High Tea

A selection of sandwiches

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A selection of warm, savoury pastries

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Freshly-baked cakes and pastries

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Warm scone with strawberry jam  
and a choice of clotted cream, whipped cream or butter

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Teas, infusions or coffee

£31 per person

### **Prosecco Cortigiano NV**

A lively and fresh Italian sparkler.  
125 glass: £7 Bottle: £32

### **Champagne Bollinger Special Cuvee NV**

A real treat, full bodied and classy.  
125 glass: £12 Bottle: £65 Magnum: £140

## Afternoon Tea

A selection of sandwiches

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Freshly-baked cakes and pastries

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Warm scone with strawberry jam  
and a choice of clotted cream, whipped cream or butter

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Teas, infusions or coffee

£26 per person

*\*Afternoon Tea is available Monday-Friday only*

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# Twinklers

## Earl Grey Symphony

A note of real scented earl grey tea and a touch of spiced vanilla, with Chase Marmalade Vodka £9

## Cherry Tree

A refreshing cherry cocktail with Chase GB and Grapefruit Gins, a luscious combination of cherries, red berries and grapefruit £9

## The Green Botanist

An aromatic floral cocktail with Chase GB Gin, botanical flavours and a hint of green peach tea £9

# Temperance

## Real Kombucha

## Royal Flush

The first two tips of the tea plant, picked as they emerge in the first bloom of spring, are dried carefully to tease out a character closer to a delicate tea £6

## Dry Dragon

Dry Dragon is brewed with pan-fried Dragonwell green tea from Zhejiang Province in China. Fresh leaves are wiped around a piping hot wok to stop the natural oxidation process early. Unlike Japanese green teas, it is steamed to give a distinct grassy flavour £6

# Tea for the Season

## Royal Blend

A bespoke blend created exclusively for the Angel Hotel to celebrate Mother's Day. The blend has a unique malty and full-bodied flavour. It goes well with a dash of milk.

## Ceylon and Rose

This highly fragrant tea is composed with a Sri Lankan Ceylon for its base and blended with sweet whole rose buds. It has a subtle aroma. Ideal for the afternoon.

## Heart of Persia

The king of spices, saffron, is the key ingredient. Hints of this distinctive spice accent a selection of sweet and exotic fruits and flower petals brought together with a delicate single estate Ceylon tea. Best enjoyed without milk.

## Flowering Jasmine and Lily

A refreshing spring green tea tied around orange lily petals and sweet jasmine flowers, the result is a light and delicate green tea.

# Black Tea

*Complex and intense in flavour. There is huge variation within this type of tea; from fragrant Darjeeling to robust Chinese black teas and malty Assam blends.*

## **The Angel Afternoon Blend**

This delicious afternoon blend is balanced by aroma, colour and body. This blend has been carefully crafted for The Angel Hotel and includes teas from the misty hills of Ceylon and the lush estates of Assam in India. Classic and robust, this rich blend makes a strong cup and may be enjoyed with milk.

## **Ceylon Robgil Pekoe**

This rare Ceylon Tea is cultivated in the upper regions of the 'Golden Valley' at an elevation of over 5400ft. The bud and first leaf are carefully harvested from selected tea bushes that have been propagated. It is specially made for The East India Company, with hard withers, light rolling and minimum fermentation to preserve the light bright cup with its deliciously fruity and floral notes.

## **Darjeeling Second Flush**

From the beautiful Namring Tea Estate in the Himalayan foothills of Darjeeling comes our Second Flush. A light and fragrant black tea, famed for its distinct muscatel character. Harvested during the warm summer months, this tea offers floral, fruity and light earthy notes with a touch of pleasant astringency. Ideal to accompany your afternoon tea and best enjoyed without milk.

## **Jubilee Tea**

Keemun Gong Fu is one of the finest black teas in the world. It was so highly regarded that the Chinese referred to it as the 'prince of tea', due to the reputation of its exquisite flavour and rich fragrance.

## **Yunnan**

This black tea is from the rich soil of China's Yunnan province creating best conditions for this bold and full-flavoured black tea. The taste combines rounded caramel sweetness with a smooth long lasting finish of spice; ginger, nutmeg and cloves.

## **Assam Hattiali**

This Indian tea from Assam is one of the world's oldest varieties. This tea comes from the city of Margherita, named after a former Italian queen. The well-shaped fine leaf with its golden tips develops a dark cup and strong flavour with lasting effects.

# Rare Tea

## **Darjeeling First Flush**

A rare and sophisticated Indian black tea that comes from the first tender new shoots grown between February and April on the foothills of the Himalayas, producing a light liquor with a delicate flavour of green muscatel.

## **Java-Hong Ca**

The Hong Ca is made from 'Sukui Clone', a tea cultivated and produced on the small, private tea plantation in Sukabumi in western Java. This infusion unfolds a fresh fruity bouquet with an earthy note. It goes well without milk.

## **Rainforest Lumbini**

The Lumbini Estate produces some of the finest teas grown in the rainforests, amongst the foothills of Singharaja, Deniyaya in Sri Lanka. It has a high level of Gold and Silver tips, which gives a full bodied and smooth infusion. It also has a rich aroma with a touch of caramel sweetness in the finish.

## **Empress**

Our Empress Tea is testament to the skill and expertise found outside India's more orthodox regions of Darjeeling and Assam. Its variegated leaf delivers a balanced infusion with wild notes, mountain grasses and barley sweetness.

# Scented Black Tea

## **Staunton Earl Grey**

A blend of black teas from India and Sri Lanka. One of our most sophisticated teas on our menu, based on the authentic Earl Grey recipe, blended with the finest Neroli and Bergamot oils. A tribute to George Staunton, the man who introduced the western world to this Chinese manner of taking black tea.

## **Vanilla**

Using Sri Lankan vanilla and large leaves from Ceylon, this distinctive scented tea has a sweet and creamy character. Enjoy with milk and sugar to taste.

## **Spiced Caramel**

Black tea from Sri Lanka, a delightful blend of naturally sweet vanilla, dried fruit, cinnamon and cloves. Zesty orange peel and a touch of almond make this an aromatic and warming cup of tea.

## **Kama Sutra**

Flavoured black tea from India. The eternal tale of love, passion and sensuality is told through this black tea blended with warm cinnamon and pepper, sweet ripe orange peel and rose hip with spiced ginger and a sprinkle of delicate rose petals. A light-bodied and bright amber tea with a unique sweet and spiced flavour.

## **Boston Tea Party**

Black and green tea from China and India. This blend recalls the 16th December 1773, when after officials in Boston refused to return three East India Tea Company ship loads of taxed tea to Britain, a group of colonists boarded the ships and threw all the tea overboard into the Boston River. This tea has been re-created to depict the actual tea varieties believed to be on board that day. The brew is strong and full-bodied with intense, smokey flavour.

# Oolong

*Are only partially or semi-fermented and sometimes referred to as blue teas, traditionally manufactured in China or Taiwan, but now other countries also produce them.*

## **Li-Shan**

Grown on Li-Shan or "Pear Mountain", on one of the world's highest tea plantations, Taiwan's most celebrated lightly oxidised oolong tea is produced just twice a year in small quantities. With buttery and fruity notes peeking through to give it a rich, rounded finish, this light tea can be enjoyed throughout the day. Enjoyed without milk.

## **Yuzu**

Japanese Yuzu's soft, clean Mandarin citrus flavour balances this mild, buttery Taiwanese oolong.

## **Iron Buddha**

A whole leaf tea from Fujian province in China. Intensely floral, hand-rolled and fired to create the Iron Buddha flavour. Amber fragrant liquor combines the taste of almond with a hint of chestnut with a slight sweetness.

## **Mi Lan Pan**

This smooth, dark Oolong comes from a plantation on the lower slopes of China's Wu Dong Mountain. The leaves are thoroughly fermented and baked to produce a rich liquor with floral and honey characteristics.

## Pu-erh

Is called 'black tea' by the Chinese and was exclusive to China for centuries. Named from the market town where the teas have been traded for hundreds of years, Puerh teas have an earthy mature character.

### Imperial Pu-erh

Produced from the tea bushes nurtured in the rich soils of Pu'er city in the Yunnan Province of southern China. This is a rich and complex tea that has a strong earthy fragrance with smooth woody notes on the palate. Known to aid digestion, this is an ideal tea to savour after a rich meal.

## Green Teas

Bursting with vibrant grassy flavours, generally described as 'unoxidized' teas, no chemical change occurs during their manufacture.

### Organic Dragon Well

Healthy Chinese tea rich in antioxidants, full of grassy freshness with a sweet undertone. It is best enjoyed with a squeeze of lemon or drizzle of honey.

### Matcha

Served in a small shot-sized glass. From the garden of the renowned Hattori family, this tea is grown in shade and sunlight to give it distinct character and lime green colour. It has a subtle floral, grassy scent with earthy tones, and a velvety, slightly bitter finish. The last sip is intense, thick and creamy.

### Emperor Sencha

Sencha, or 'new tea', is made from the first harvest of spring. It is full of nutrients developed over the winter dormancy period and is from the Saemidori cultivar (one of many variety of tea plants). It has a subtle flavour with sweet and grassy notes.

## Scented Green Tea

### Jasmine Pearls

Our Jasmine Pearl tea is composed of the most perfectly balanced spring green tea, repeatedly hand rolled and scented with fresh jasmine flowers.

### The Prince Sultan's Green Tea

This is an authentic blend of green tea and mint, clean and refreshing mint flavours with a high grade gunpowder green tea as a base.

## White Tea

Lightly oxidised, harvested from the buds and leaves of the *Camellia Sinensis* plant. The name derives from the silvery white hairs of the unopened buds on the tea plant.

### Snow White

Originating from the Himalayan foothills, this tea only boasts the top leaf and bud. Following plucking, the tea leaves are left to wither slightly. They are then gently hand-rolled to hasten the fermentation process. When brewed, it delivers a light, bright, mild and mellow cup with perfect –subtle delicate flavour with a lovely soft aftertaste.

## flavoured White Tea

### Jasmine White Tea

A precious white tea from the Chinese Fujian province. Jasmine tea is made with the top grade and the most famous variety of white tea; silver needle. The soft buds of this white tea are gently scented with fresh jasmine blossoms. This tea is soft with a delicately sweet taste and mild jasmine fragrance.

# Fruit Tea

Fruit steeped in hot water. May contain caffeine. Usually taken straight.

## Peonies and Berries

This is a grand combination of berries and figs. One side is sweet, fruity and nippy, the other is soft and mild. Both are in perfect unity on a green tea base with plump, glowing berries, snappy fig pieces and lime-light seeking peony petals.

## Hibiscus and Berries

An exciting pure fruit tea consisting of a wide selection of British berries and other dried berries. This deep red cup has a vivid flavour and a pleasing sweetness that is balanced by the tart hints of hibiscus.

## Mango Twist

A delicious blend of fresh green tea, rich black tea and whole mango pieces. Sweet, lightly spicy and refreshing.

## Wild Cherry

Cherry is a dark red beverage with an intense fruity flavour whose colour resembles ripe cherries light scented.

# Infusions

Our herbal range is created using freshly picked and dried whole herbs and flowers. Naturally caffeine-free.

## Chamomile Flowers

Egyptian. A floral infusion of whole flowers; a calming, fresh, light flavour. Adding a drizzle of honey brings out the flavour.

## Lemon Verbena

This refreshing tea is made from the cut leaves of pure lemon verbena. With a lovely rich lemon scent and flavour when infused.

## Lemongrass and Turmeric

A wonderful herbal infusion that combines the vibrant and refreshing taste of lemongrass with a touch of spice and warmth from turmeric and ginger.

## Whole Rosebuds

This infusion of natural rosebuds has an entrancing, perfume-like aroma that boasts rejuvenating qualities. A tranquil, refreshingly light and fragrant infusion, a delicate and light drink that is completely caffeine free.

## South African Rouge

A plant infusion from the South African red bush, very high in antioxidants. It is accented with refreshing cranberry and orange notes. Best enjoyed without milk.

## Life Force

With Siberian ginseng, ginger and black pepper, this spicy and invigorating blend pairs with the savories of High Tea.

## Balance Infusion

The soothing peppermint base of this infusion is balanced with the sweet, aromatic notes of aniseed cinnamon and fennel. This blend is perfect for after meals as the combination would bring you back in harmony.

## Bliss

The soothing flowers of chamomile and rose are combined in this infusion, an ideal evening blend. Regain a deep sense of harmony with this tea of spices known to calm the mind.

# Coffee

You may prefer coffee or hot chocolate as an alternative to tea.

Here is our selection:

Cafetière Coffee

Espresso

Caffè Latte

Cappuccino

Hot Chocolate

# Notes

We are pleased to box up our cakes and pastries for you to take home. But they are made with fresh eggs, butter and cream, so they need to be refrigerated as soon as possible.

With 24 hours notice we can prepare a celebration cake for your celebration (min. four persons); with candles for a birthday.

The Angel makes every effort to comply with the dietary requirements of our guests. Please notify us of your specific dietary requirements to ensure we are able to provide accurate information and advice on the ingredients and allergens in our dishes. As the Angel prepares all its food in centralised kitchens, allergen based meals are prepared in the same area as allergen free meals, so although we will always carry out as many safety measures as possible, we cannot guarantee absolute separation, and cannot take responsibility for any adverse reaction that may occur.