

FUNCTIONS AT

THE LAWNS

NATIONAL TRIANGLE

KING GEORGE TERRACE, PARKES ACT

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A canvas of possibilities.

One destination. No rules.

Welcome to The Lawns. Once home to The Lobby, this was where politicians whispered secrets, rumours were started, and some of the city's most iconic weddings unfolded. These grounds have seen it all. Now, they're ready for your version of celebration.

Set on the edge of the National Rose Gardens and just moments from the city, The Lawns is like an oasis in the heart of the National Triangle. It's lush, it's lively, and it doesn't do boring.

Whether you're planning a cocktail-fuelled party, a barefoot lawn wedding, or a feast under the stars, our precinct offers a mix of spaces to make it happen. from our striking, lantern-lit Dining Room to our open-air Terrace and sprawling lawns. Forget the formula. We do memorable, your way.

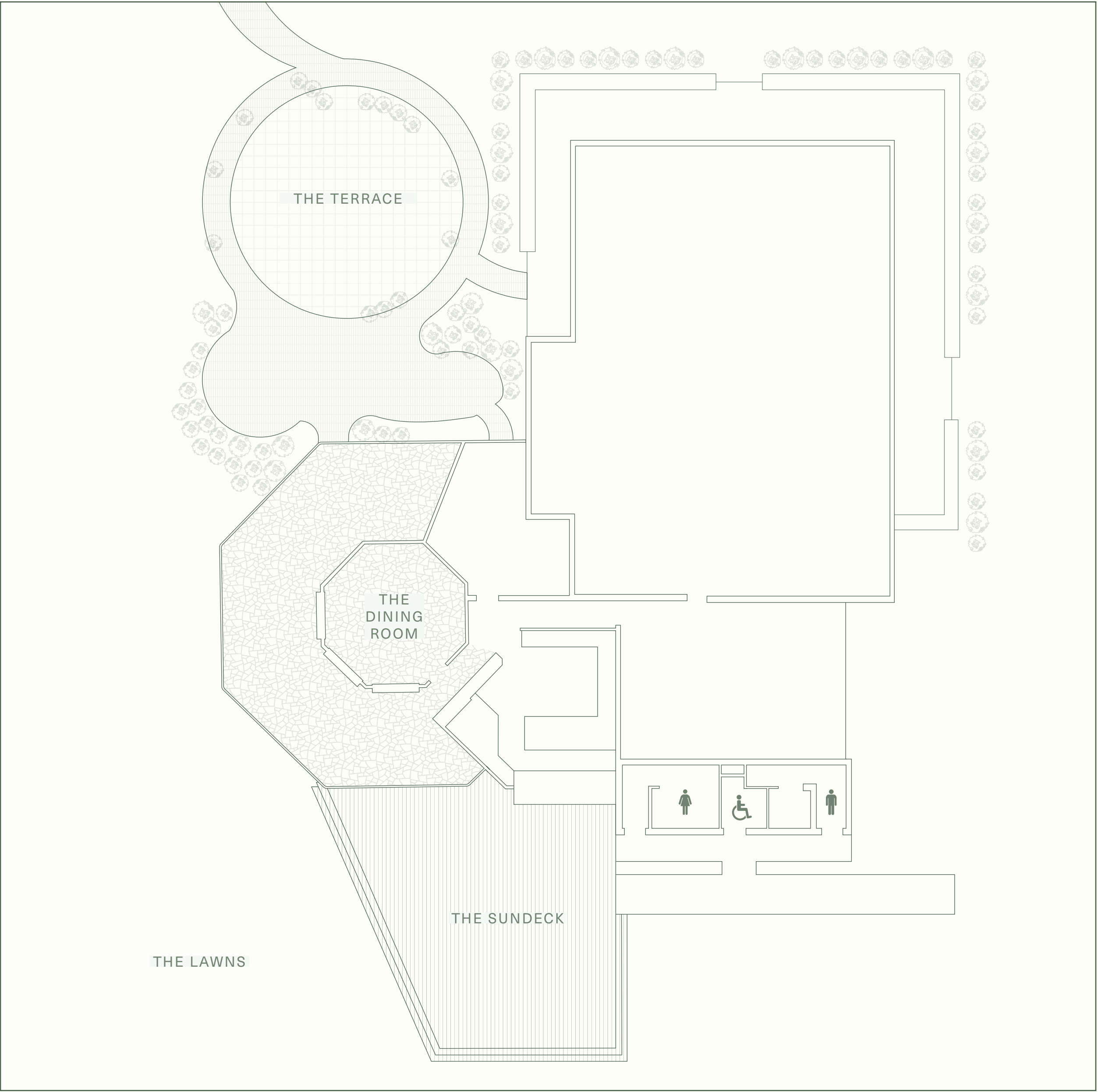
Spaces at The Lawns.

Choose your playground.

From intimate dinners to open-air celebrations, The Lawns is a precinct built for moments that matter—big, small, and everything in between. Whether you’re chasing golden hour on the terrace, dancing barefoot on the grass, or settling in for a long lunch in our dining room, each space offers its own kind of magic.

Need more room to play?

Talk to us about expanding your event into a sprawling precinct takeover.



The Dining Room

Polished but never stiff, lantern lit, and a central bar that sets the mood without stealing the show. The Dining Room blends easy charm with understated elegance. Open the windows to let the gardens (and a little chaos) spill in or pull the curtains and keep things intimate.

A few steps from The Terrace, it shifts easily from quiet drinks to full-blown affairs—indoors, outdoors, or somewhere in between.

Capacity

Seated: 66

Cocktail: 100





The Terrace

The sweet spot between laid-back and lively. Made for golden hour cocktails, exchanging of vows, or first dances under the glow of starlight. The Terrace effortlessly turns moments into memories. Add it to The Dining Room or let it stand on its own. Either way, the good times cue themselves.

Capacity

Seated: 70

Cocktail: 150

The Sundeck

An open-air stage for your more spirited affairs. The Sundeck has hosted more than a few chapters of celebration—sunset memories, DJ-fuelled dance floors, long lunches that turn into longer (and louder) evenings. A little chill, a little wild. Just the way we like it.

Whether it's the opening act or the headline show, The Sundeck balances ease with just the right dose of party-ready energy. Shape it your way—seated, standing, or somewhere in between.

Capacity

Seated: 72

Cocktail: 80





The Lawns

A true blank canvas. Open green space and the National Rose Gardens just beyond the edge. Roll out the picnic rugs, roll in the drinks cart, set up lawn games or a DJ under the trees. Whether it's a chilled garden party, the ultimate kids' soiree or a full-scale festival, this space is ready to play. If you can dream it, you can throw it here.

Let the gardens frame the scene while you set the pace, slow and civilised or delightfully unhinged. However you imagine it, there's room for the story to unfold – under the stars or under the sun.

Capacity

Mix of seated, picnic style and cocktail: 200

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Celebrated at The Lawns

*Michelle + Hugh
28 March 2026*

A garden ceremony, followed by cocktails
with 85 of their favourite people.
Oysters. Canapés. Espresso martinis. Late-
night pizza. And a dance floor that kept
everyone around a little longer.

Their day

*The Senate Gardens • Dining Room + Terrace
• Cocktail celebration*



Plates with Personality. *Feasts to fuel stories.*

Seated | Cocktail | Grazing
Little Lawns | Breakfast Grazing

From share-style spreads to bite-sized moments, our menus are designed for conversation, connection, and a little indulgence. Choose your style, pick your pace, and let the flavours do the talking.



Seated

Designed to sit down, slow down, and enjoy a steady flow of generous dishes. Our seated feasting is seasonal, balanced, and built for sharing. With plates piled high and dishes made to pass around, this menu sets the tone for connection. From small groups to big milestones, it's approachable, thoughtful, and flexible enough to suit any occasion. Choose your course count, pick your pace, and let the conversation flow.

Shared-style menu

2 courses

\$90pp

Olives, pickles, bread (sourdough – olive oil, balsamic)

3 snacks/smalls, 1 main, 2 sides

3 courses

\$120pp

Olives, pickles, bread (sourdough – olive oil, balsamic)

4 snacks/smalls, 2 mains, 3 sides, 1 dessert



Cocktail

For the charmers, the grazers and the dance floor devotees. Our cocktail-style menu is made for movement—bold bites and cheeky canapés that drift through the crowd, drinks that rarely touch the table, and food best eaten mid-convo or mid-groove. Perfect for celebrations, roaming gatherings or events that blur the line between dinner and dance floor.

6 canapés / 3 varieties 1 hour	\$42pp
10 canapés / 5 varieties 2 hour	\$70pp
10 canapés / 5 varieties, 1 x substantial 3 hour	\$85pp
12 canapés / 6 varieties, 2 x substantial 3 hour+	\$110pp



Grazing Style

Casual in theory—proof that fun and flavour don’t need to shout. Made for sharing, pairing, and one-handed dancing. Perfect for group catch-ups, birthdays, or post-wedding recovery sessions where no one wants to make a big decision (except for: one more slice?).

Grazing boards, selection of pizzas, green salad, fries. \$50pp
*Minimum 20 people

Grazing boards, selection of pizzas, house-made pasta, green salad, fries, tiramisu \$75pp



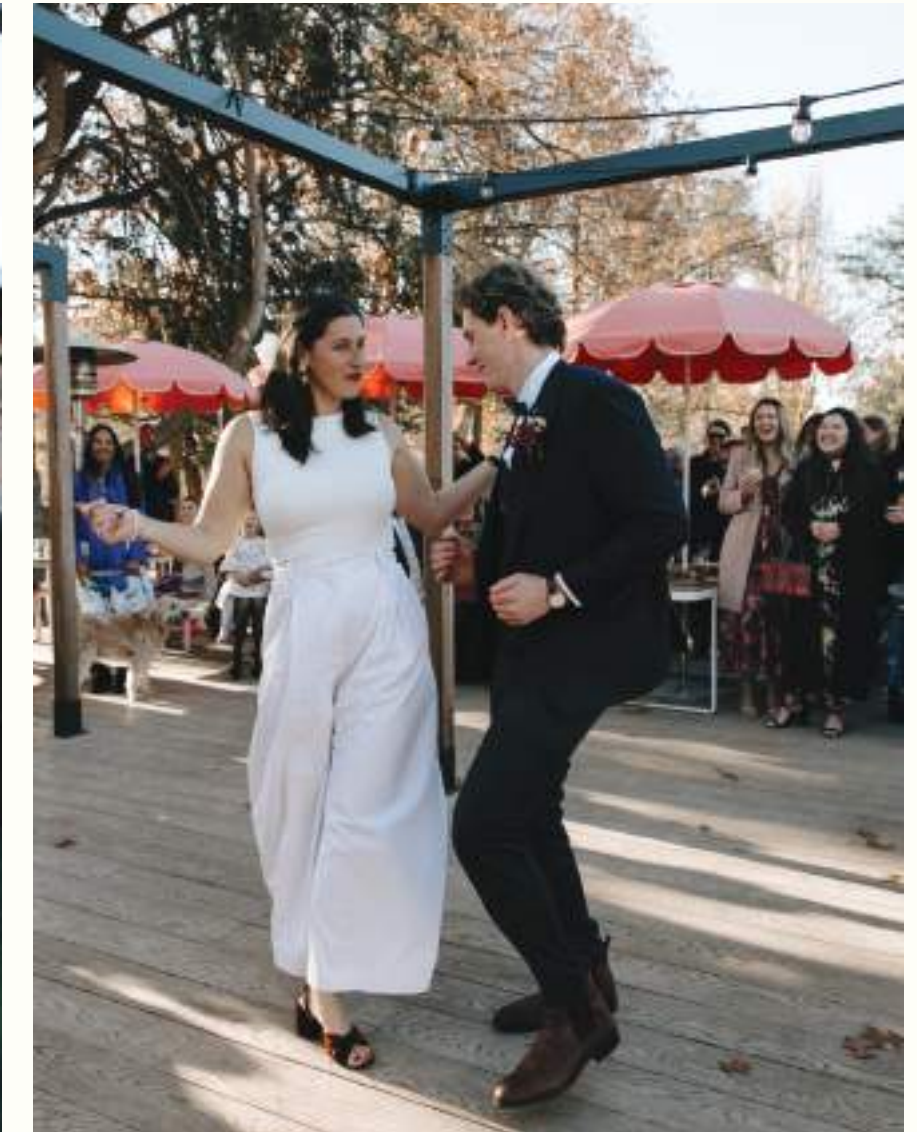
Celebrated at The Lawns

Anika + Rylan
25 May 2026

A garden ceremony, followed by a relaxed celebration with family and friends. Pizza shared around the table. Mulled wine keeping guests warm. An acoustic duo setting the mood before the DJ took over and the celebrations continued into the evening.

Their day

*Senate Rose Gardens and The Deck - Pizza Grazing Style -
Woohoo beverage package & mulled wine*



Little Lawns

Keep the small guests happy (and big appetites fed). Shared pizzas, crispy chips, and refreshing pitchers make for an easy, crowd-pleasing spread that keeps the kids fuelled and the grown-ups off kitchen duty. Perfect for birthdays or family celebrations where the littles take centre stage — fuss-free, familiar, and made to enjoy.

*Need to keep the grown-ups fed too?
Toss on a grazing board and keep the peace
(and the party) going strong.*

Shared pizzas, chips, jugs of juice and water	\$25 per child
Don't forget the adults, add a grazing board serving for 20	+\$280

*Minimum 20 children



Grazing Breakfast

They say breakfast is the most important meal—here, it’s also the most delicious. From post-wedding reflections to morning briefings (but with much better food), we set the spread, and the tone for the day. Think warm filled croissants, savoury frittata, seasonal fruits and just-sweet-enough pastries that line the table—accompanied by coffee, tea and juice to fuel whatever’s next.

*Need a little something stronger?
Add a mimosa or bloody mary. History has rarely
been written on an empty stomach.*

Available from 7:30am to 11am, Monday to Sunday	\$54pp
Add Mimosas	\$14 per glass
Add bottomless Mimosas*	\$40pp
*3 hour booking maximum applies	



Plates with Personality.

Feasts to fuel stories.

Add-ons

Minimum 40 people

Canapés

Generous canapé	\$16pp
1 hour of canapés	\$26pp
3 pieces	

Stations

Pizza station	\$12pp
Grazing station	\$14pp

Desserts

Tiramisu tray	\$250
Serves approx. 25 people	
Cakeage	\$5pp
To cut and serve on individual plates or platters	



Celebrated at The Lawns

Christian + Terry
5 April 2026

A laid-back celebration with 75 of their favourite people. Pizza shared around the table. Tommy Margaritas and espresso martinis poured from the bar cart. A brass band setting the tone before the DJ kept the dance floor going well into the night.

Their day

*The Deck and Lawns - Pizza grazing style, Tiramisu trays -
Bar cart with 2 signature cocktails*



Raise a Glass.

Drinks that keep the party flowing.

No spreadsheets, no stress—just the good stuff, free-flowing and fun. Whether you're toasting with bubbles or chasing Bloody Marys at breakfast, we'll keep your glass (and your guests) happy.



Woohoo Beverage Package

Keep things easy. Avoid surprises (because no one wants a budget showdown mid-party). One set price per person, free-flowing drinks for a set time, and no need to track who ordered what. It's stress-free, party-first, and ideal for keeping the fun rolling without watching the clock—or the bar tab.

Timings

2 hours	\$47pp
3 hours	\$53pp
4 hours	\$65pp
5 hours	\$75pp

Beverages

Frankie's Wine Package
Sparkling
Sauvignon Blanc
Shiraz
Rosé
Beer
Seasonal taps
1 cider (bottle)
Non-Alcoholic
Soft drinks
1 non-alcoholic beer (bottle)
Sparkling Water

Add-ons

Welcome cocktail	\$20pp
Champagne on arrival	\$25pp
House spirits	\$26pp/ph*
Bar cart available upon request. Additional fees apply.	

*3 hour booking maximum applies



Celebrated at The Lawns

Chloe + Ansis
31 January 2026

A garden ceremony, followed by a celebration that kept guests grazing, sipping and dancing all night. Canapés and grazing stations welcomed guests before pizza and tiramisu rounded out the evening. Amalfi Highballs flowed as an acoustic artist set the mood, before the DJ took over.

Their day

NPG Gardens, The Dining Room & Terrace - Grazing station, Canapes, Pizza & Tiramisu - Woohoo beverage package and signature cocktail



Senate Gardens Ceremony Drinks Service

Getting married in the Senate Gardens? We’re practically neighbours. Let us carry the momentum from “I do” to the dance floor with a seamless, one-hour drinks service delivered directly to your guests in the gardens.

Timings

1 hour
\$390 + beverages on consumption

Included in your package

- Delivery, set-up and pack-down of service point
- Trestle table styling
- Iced water station with dispenser
- Premium disposable flutes, wine glasses and tumblers (No glass permitted in the Senate Gardens)
- Your selected wine, sparkling, soft drinks and tinnies served chilled on ice by RSA-qualified service staff*

Add-ons

Grazing boards \$14pp
A curated selection of cheeses, charcuterie and seasonal accompaniments, designed for relaxed, stand-up enjoyment between the ceremony and reception.

*Beverages are charged in addition to the \$390 service fee. All drinks are charged on a consumption basis, with the final bar tab payable at the conclusion of your event.



The Finishing Touches

Every great gathering has its main event.

The microphone that carries the speech, the linen that sets the table, and the small details that hold the room together.

Sound & Speeches

Keep the toasts audible and the announcements official.

Speaker and microphone – complimentary upon request

Linen & Table Settings

Because presentation matters (even when things get lively).

Napkins

Cloth napkins — \$1 each

Tablecloths

137 × 179cm — \$6 each

137 × 275cm — \$9 each

227cm round — \$12 each



The Fine Print.

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*We like to keep things simple.
Here’s what you need to know
before locking it in.*

Event Timeline & Payment Milestones

At Time of Booking

- A \$1,000 deposit secures your date, time and space.
- This deposit is non-refundable, except in the case of inclement weather for confirmed outdoor events (refer to our Wet Weather Policy below).

Three (3) Months Prior

- 50% of your agreed minimum spend is due.

Three (3) Weeks Prior

This is where we lock everything in.
The following details must be confirmed:

- Final floor plan
- Menu selections
- Dietary requirements
- Supplier timings
- Service schedule
- Final guest numbers

Ten (10) Days Prior

- Final payment is due.
- Your invoice will reflect either the total food and beverage spend or the agreed minimum spend, whichever is greater.

On the Day

- Any additional charges resulting from increased guest numbers are payable on the day.
- Bar tabs are payable on the day. The minimum bar tab will be set to ensure the agreed minimum spend is met.

Outdoor Event Bookings

By booking one of our outdoor spaces, you acknowledge these are open-air venues. The weather is part of the charm — and the risk.

Wet Weather Policy

If rain is forecast and your outdoor event cannot be accommodated indoors, you may cancel or reschedule (subject to availability) up to ten (10) days prior to your event with no penalty and a full refund.

The Fine Print.

Minimum Spends & Surcharges

- Minimum spend requirements apply to all spaces and vary depending on the time, date and area hired.
- Minimum spends must be met regardless of final guest numbers or actual food and beverage consumption.
- If your total spend falls short of the agreed minimum, the difference will be charged.
- A 10% surcharge applies to all food and beverage spend for events held on Saturdays and Sundays.
- A 15% surcharge applies to all food and beverage spend for events held on public holidays.
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Damages & Venue Use

- You are responsible for any damage to the venue, furniture or equipment during your hire period.
- All third-party suppliers (e.g. stylists, DJs, florists) must be approved in advance. We welcome collaboration; approval ensures seamless operation on the day.
- All decorations and external equipment must be removed promptly at the conclusion of your event.
- Venue management reserves the right to end proceedings if entertainment or patron behaviour becomes unreasonable or disorderly, prioritising safety and consideration for neighbouring businesses and guests.

Event Timing

- Your booking includes a confirmed start and finish time. If your event extends more than 20 minutes beyond the agreed finish time, an overtime fee of \$1,000 per hour (or part thereof) will apply. This covers staffing and operational costs.
- Bump-out times for suppliers will be agreed with your function coordinator and must be adhered to.

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