



2008 Rehearsal Dinner Information

ADMISSIONS AND TICKETING

In order to utilize Catering Facilities at the San Diego Zoo or San Diego Zoo's Wild Animal Park, an Admissions Fee per attendee is required. Zoological Society Membership, passes, prepaid tickets and/or discount coupons do not apply to Special Events. Admission is included in Rehearsal Dinner Package pricing.

FOOD AND BEVERAGE MINIMUMS

Each facility has a minimum food and beverage expenditure established. This minimum is met through the purchase of meals and accompanying beverages and does not include the expenses of admission, entertainment, rentals and additional labor charges. If the facility minimum is not met, the deficiency will be charged to the final bill. A complete list of minimums can be found in the Guide.

GUARANTEE

The Client must notify the Special Events Sales Manager of the final guarantee no later than 10:00 a.m. (P.S.T.) four (4) business days prior to the Event. This number shall constitute a guarantee and is not subject to reduction. When requesting multiple entrees, a guarantee for each menu selection is also due at this time. Menu indicators must be provided to identify your guest's menu selection. If the final guarantee is not received within the four (4) day specification, the estimated attendance given at contract will be used as the final billable guarantee. The client will be invoiced for the final guaranteed attendance or the actual number of meals served, whichever is greater. The Zoological Society of San Diego (ZSSD) will provide seating and food for 5% over the guarantee up to the maximum capacity of the reserved facility. If the actual number of guests at an event exceeds 5% of the guarantee, the ZSSD will make every effort to provide meals, but reserves the right to substitute food items.

DEPOSIT SCHEDULE

An initial non-refundable deposit of \$500 is required at the time of signing the Special Event Agreement in order to consider the reservation confirmed. Fifty percent of the total projected bill is due no later than thirty days prior to the event. The remaining balance will be due in full four business days prior to the event.

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EVENT TIMING

The ZSSD allots four (4) hours for rehearsal dinners. Any event extending past this time frame will incur an additional labor charge. Groups that are on the premises after 11:00 pm will be charged a minimum late fee of \$500.00 per half hour, or any portion thereof.

CONFIRMATION OF SPACE

Event space may be confirmed on a definite basis as early as eighteen (18) months in advance. All dates are subject to approval from our Sales Department and will become definite upon receipt of deposit and signed Special Event Agreement.

PARKING

Parking at the San Diego Zoo is included in the Rehearsal Dinner Package pricing. Parking at the Wild Animal Park is available for a discounted rate of \$6 per vehicle.

DECORATIONS

All decorations are subject to approval. Arrangements must be made with your Special Events Coordinator concerning all decorating timing and vendor arrivals. Please refer to the attached list of ZSSD restricted items.

SALES TAX

All food, beverages and rental items are subject to applicable sales tax. The Zoological Society does not charge gratuity.

CONTACT INFORMATION

We look forward to the opportunity to be a part of your special day. Please contact D'Anne Morehead, Events Sales Manager, at (619) 744-3350 for more information.

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2008 Rehearsal Dinner Selections

The following items are included in your rehearsal dinner selection:

General Admission for All of your Guests
on the Day of the Rehearsal Dinner

Your choice of Meal Options
Plated Entrée with Starter
Or
Buffet Selection

Wild and Tame Jungle Juice Toast

Dessert Selection

Coffee Service

Complimentary House Floral Centerpieces

Complimentary House Linens

(Choose from white, black, forest green, maroon, royal blue or ivory.
Other colors may be available, please inquire.)

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The Akina

Starter Selections

Please choose one of the following items:

CAESAR SALAD

Hearts of Romaine with Garlic Croutons, Aged Parmesan, Traditional Dressing

MARKETPLACE SALAD

Mixed Greens with Julienne of Carrots, Bean Sprouts, Roma Tomatoes, Red Onion and Croutons, Balsamic Vinaigrette Dressing

SOUTHWESTERN CHICKEN TORTILLA SOUP

Finished with Cilantro and Sour Cream

Entree Selections

Please choose one of the following items:

OAT CRUSTED CHICKEN

On a Bed of Sautéed Tomatoes, Artichoke Hearts and Black Olives
Basil and Herb Risotto

DRUNKEN CHICKEN

Asian Spice Marinated Chicken
Jasmine Rice and Seasonal Steamed Vegetables

CHICKEN MOLE

Traditional South American Preparation with Chipotle Chile, Coco and Pumpkin Seeds
Served with Rice, Charro Black Beans and Nopalito Relish

Dessert Selections

Please choose one of the following items:

New York Cheesecake with Berry Coulis
Chocolate Pecan Torte
German Chocolate Cake

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The Mazoezi

Starter Selections

Please choose one of the following items:

SPINACH AND ORANGES

Baby Spinach with Mandarin Orange Segments, Red Onion, Goat Cheese and Pecans
Grain Mustard Vinaigrette

MARINATED GREEK SALAD

Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Red Onions and Kalamata Olives with Feta Vinaigrette

ROASTED RED PEPPER SOUP

Seasoned with Ancho Chili and Cilantro Crème Fraîche

Entree Selections

Please choose one of the following items:

BRAISED FLAT IRON STEAK WITH SYRAH DEMI

Pink Peppercorn Risotto and Caramelized Carrots

SEAFOOD WATCH COMPLIANT – SEASONAL FISH SELECTION

Whipped Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables

SEARED SALMON WITH LEMON SOY SAUCE, BRAISED KALE

Roasted Red Potatoes

SLOW ROASTED PRIME RIB OF BEEF WITH DILLED HORSERADISH

Garlic Mashed Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables

Additional \$6.00 per person

Dessert Selections

Please choose one of the following items:

Caramel Apple Pie with Whiskey Sauce

Seasonal Berry Napoleon

Chocolate Truffle Cake with Cinnamon Mocha Sauce

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The Ashiki Buffet

(50 Person Minimum)

Starters

Roasted Red Pepper Soup
Caesar Salad with Bay Shrimp and Garlic Croutons
Mixed Greens with Feta Cheese, Walnuts and House Vinaigrette

Choose 2 or 3 of the Following Entrée Selections

Boneless Chicken Breast with Basil Cream Sauce
Grilled Chicken Breast, Sauce Morray and Crispy Ham
Baked Halibut with Grain Mustard and Artichoke Sauce
Grilled Pacific Salmon with Lemon-Soy Sauce and Roasted Sesame Seeds
Grilled Tri-Tip with a Sauce of Shallots, Tomatoes, Mushrooms and Brandy
Prime Rib au Jus and Horseradish*
Fettuccine Alfredo in a Rich Cream Sauce
Linguini Pomodoro with Crushed Roma Tomatoes, Garlic and Capers
Eggplant Parmesan

Accompaniments

Au Gratin Potatoes
Sautéed Seasonal Vegetables
Fresh Rolls and Creamery Butter
A Variety of Gourmet Petite Pastries and Cakes
Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee and Hot Tea Service

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Tray Passed Appetizers

All Items Ordered in Increments of 25 pieces

TOMATO AND BASIL BRUSCHETTA

Fresh Chopped Tomatoes, Basil and Herbs Atop Oven Toasted Bruschetta

SMOKED SALMON ON RYE

Smoked Salmon and Seasonings Layered on Toasted Rye Points

CURRY CHICKEN IN PHYLLO

Curried Chicken, Couscous and Sweet Bell Pepper Nestled in a Phyllo Cup

ARTICHOKE TARTLET

Tender Artichoke Heart with Eggplant, Tomato, Bell Pepper, Zucchini, Olives, Onion, and Garlic

SPANIKOPITA

Spinach and Feta Cheese Laced with Garlic and Wrapped in Flaky Phyllo Pastry

CHICKEN EMPANADA

Seasoned Shredded Chicken with Sweet Pepper and Onion Wrapped in Pastry Triangle

MINI SPINACH AND GOAT CHEESE PIZZA

Spinach and Basil Pesto Accented with Tomato, Oyster Mushrooms and Goat Cheese

CRISPY ASPARAGUS WITH ASIAGO

Asparagus Tips Wrapped in Phyllo with Sharp Asiago and Creamy Fontina Cheeses

HIBACHI BEEF SKEWER

Marinated Steak with Red and Yellow Peppers, Chopped Green Onion, and Jalapeño Jack Cheese

PEAR AND BRIE EN CROÛTE

Bosc Pear and Brie Cheese Wrapped in Pastry

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2008 Specialty Drink Selection

Jungle Juice*

A delicious blend of tropical juices and Bacardi rum
The perfect concoction for your adventurous side

Cheetah-Rita*

Refreshing blend of Lime juice, Cuervo Gold Tequila and a spot of Grand
Marnier
Served on the rocks
Seeing spots is optional

Monkey Business

Absolute Vodka, pineapple juice and banana liqueur
No Party is complete without a little Monkey Business

Komodo-Tini

Green Apple infusion and Absolute Vodka
Guaranteed to quench the thirst of your inner dragon

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Package Enhancements

Animal Print Linen

Upgraded House Florals

Chiavari Chairs

24" Round 42" High Belly Bars with house linen

36" Round Cocktail Table with house linen

Indigenous Earth Duo (Background Music with Authentic African Sound)

Steel Drum Trio (Background Music)

Journey into Africa Tour (Wild Animal Park only)

You and your guests can travel aboard the "Journey into Africa Tour". This guided tour will take your group on an incredible journey into Africa ~ no passport or painful shots required! Giraffes, Rhinos and Gazelles are among the hundreds of animals you will see roaming the Savannah.

Guided Bus Tour (San Diego Zoo only)

Relax on one of our double-deck tour busses while our knowledgeable and entertaining guide acquaint you with some of the most rare and exotic plants and animals on the planet.

Exclusive Animal Presentations

Nothing completes a event at the San Diego Zoo or Wild Animal Park like a furry (or feathered or scaly!) guest of honor. Experience an up-close encounter with exotic animals and have a chance to chat with their trainers. Our animal ambassadors include a variety of birds, reptiles and mammals.



We have many other Décor and Entertainment Options available.
Please inquire for pricing and details.

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