

# Private Party Planning Guide ~ Dinner

We are so pleased that you are considering hosting your party at Commander's Palace Restaurant. We want entertaining at Commander's to have the same ambiance and hospitality as that of entertaining in your home.

Years of experience have taught us the level of service our guests expect of Commander's  $\sim$  especially when they are entertaining. The following guidelines and policies were developed to ensure that your party will be a great success with the standards in service that Commander's Palace is known for.

Copies of our private party menus are enclosed for your review. We request that you plan one set menu, without choices for any course, for parties with more than 14 guests. We are happy to accommodate any individuals the evening of your event with any special food needs (Ex: vegetarians, vegans, allergies). If your party includes 14 or fewer guests, you may order directly from the restaurant menu.

We look forward to making your party a great success.

Morgan Trulen

504-207-9312

morgan@commanderspalace.com

Restaurant Hours:

Dinner:

6:30 p.m. – 10 p.m. Nightly

Lunch:

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Monday – Friday

Jazz Brunch\*:

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday

10 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Sunday

\*Live Dixieland by Joe Simon Jazz Band

Closed:

Christmas Day and Mardi Gras Day

#### **Private Dining Rooms**

Private rooms are assigned based on your guaranteed minimum number of guests. Commander's Palace reserves the right to change your room assignment based on your guaranteed attendance. We do not require deposits or a credit card number to hold the reservation.

Little Room	10 - 14
Coliseum Room I	16 - 24
Coliseum Room II	16 - 30
Coliseum Rooms I & II	35 - 48
Patio Room	60 - 88

All private dining rooms are upstairs with the exception of the Patio Room. We do not have an elevator. Capacities vary with table arrangement and bar setup.

\*\*Attention Tour Guides: No shorts, t-shirts or blue jeans are permitted in the restaurant. Your guests will not be allowed to dine in shorts. Gentlemen are required to wear closed toe shoes.



# Private Party Planning Guide

### Menu & Guest Guarantees

Your pre-selected menu is requested 2 weeks prior to your party. Our menus offer fresh ingredients and change seasonally. All prices are subject to change. Wine selections must be made at least 1 week prior to the date of the event.

We ask that you guarantee the number of guests attending your party 3 working days prior to the event. This number will be considered your guarantee for which you will be charged (food, tax & gratuity) even if fewer guests attend. We will plan and prepare for 10% more than your final guarantee. Cancellations must be made via email to Morgan. No voicemail cancellations will be accepted.

### Room Decorations

We are pleased to coordinate services to create a particular theme, be it a centerpiece or an extensive room arrangement. Balloon bouquets are provided complimentary upon request. We are happy to develop place cards for your event at \$0.25 per card. With parties of more than 16, the tables provided are regularly 52" round tables, that can seat a maximum of 8 guests at each table.

### Dress Code

No shorts, no t-shirts and no blue jeans are permitted. A jacket is preferred for gentlemen at dinner.

#### Entertainment

Musicians and entertainment may be arranged through several agencies. Our party planning staff is pleased to assist with your selection.

#### Audio Visual

A complete selection of equipment is available for an additional fee. Please advise the party planning staff of your event requirements and room set-ups. Please remember that not all rooms are conducive to audio/visual equipment. Projector is \$75 to rent. Screen is \$25 to rent. Easel is \$25 to rent. Please note that our projector is not compatible with Mac products.

### Transportation & Parking

Complimentary valet parking is available. It is a requirement of the City of New Orleans that all buses have a permit to enter the Garden District. To obtain a permit, please contact Cheryl Adams with the Department of Safety & Permits. She can be reached via email at <a href="mailto:chadams@nola.gov">chadams@nola.gov</a> or via phone at 504-658-7100.

#### **Payment**

Payment in full is expected at the completion of your party. We accept all major credit cards. New Orleans sales tax of 10.2% is applicable to all checks. You will not be required to pay a service charge. You are free to leave a gratuity in any amount that you deem appropriate for the service that you receive. Although most of our guests leave a 20% gratuity, it is up to your discretion to determine the amount of gratuity that you would like to add. Please note that we do not provide separate checks.

#### Kid's Plates

Three course kid's plates are available for a charge of \$19. Typically, they include fresh fruit, chicken & shoestring potatoes & ice cream.



# Hors d'oeuvres

Prices do not include gratuity or sales tax.

Hors d'oeuvres, passed on a silver tray, can be an elegant touch to any party.

All items are priced per piece. 25-piece minimum.

Classic Shrimp & Tasso \$3.50

Pickled okra relish, five-pepper jelly and Crystal hot sauce beurre blanc

Crabmeat Ravigote Canapé \$3

Jumbo lump crabmeat, ravigote sauce and toasted brioche

Blackened Chicken Tartlet \$3
With smoked onions & Jack Daniels Creole mustard

Jumbo Boiled Shrimp \$3
Served tail on with remoulade sauce

Corn Fried Oyster \$3

Horseradish aïoli

Sugarcane Glazed Beef Tenderloin Canapé \$3
Spiced and served on toast points

Country Pates & Galantines \$2.50 Assorted house made breads and chutneys

Artisan Cheese Canapé \$2
A selection of domestic and imported cheeses

Caramelized Onion & Goat Cheese Tart \$2

Toasted garlic and fresh thyme

Mushroom & Truffle Canapé \$3 On Brioche

Petite Couchon Baton \$3
Creole mustard and caramelized onion



# Cocktails & Beverages

Prices do not include gratuity or sales tax.

Non-alcoholic beverages: Iced tea, soft drinks, coffee, hot tea ~ \$3.00 each, plus tax and gratuity

<u>Cocktails</u>: For larger parties, especially those of 25 or more, we suggest a private bar set-up in the dining room, at a charge of \$25.00. For parties with more than 50 guests, 2 bar setups are required = \$50.00.

House Brands
Benchmark Bourbon
Dewar's Scotch
Finlandia Vodka
Seagram's Gin
Cane Run Rum
Corazon Blanco Tequila
Hartley Brandy

Call Brands
Buffalo Trace Bourbon
J&B Scotch
Absolut Vodka
Beefeater Gin
Bacardi Lt Rum
El Jimador Tequila
Hartley Brandy

Premium Brands
Crown Royal Canadian
Whiskey
Maker's Mark Bourbon
Johnnie Walker Red Scotch
Ketel One Vodka
Bombay Sapphire Gin
Mount Gay Rum
Casamigos Blanco Tequila
Hartley Brandy

Hosted Bar: House \$8, Call \$9, Premium \$10 ~ Prices plus sales tax and gratuity

Cash Bar: House \$9, Call \$10, Premium \$11 ~ Prices include sales tax

<u>Domestic & Imported Beers:</u> Heineken = \$6.00, Abita Amber = \$5.50, Budweiser & Coors Light = \$4.50 ~ Prices plus sales tax and gratuity (Cash Bar Pricing: Heineken = \$7.00, Abita Amber = \$6.50, Budweiser & Coors Light = \$5.50)

All private bar setups include a selection of domestic and imported beer, white and red wine, soft drinks, juices, and garnish. Additional items may be added upon request.

<u>Eye Openers</u> ~ *Mimosas, Bloody Marys & Milk Punch* ~\$10 each (Cash Bar Pricing ~\$11 each)

Wine: Our wine list changes almost weekly. Please ask a party planner to send the latest copy to you. Private functions are not permitted to bring in their own wine.

\*Unfortunately, we are unable to offer 25¢ Martinis to our private parties.



# Dinner Menu

One set menu is required for parties with more than 14 guests.

Please feel free to serve your guests both a soup and
an appetizer, and add prices accordingly.

Prices do not include beverages, gratuity or sales tax.

# Soups & Appetizers

Turtle Soup ~ \$8.50
A Commander's classic spiked with sherry

Soup Du Jour ~ \$8.00

Varied cooking techniques combined with fresh seasonal ingredients

Gumbo Du Jour ~ \$8.50

Rich stock slow cooked with fresh regional products

## Classic Commander's Salad ~ \$8.50

Green leaf lettuce, grated Parmesan, pressed egg, housemade bacon, French bread croutons, shaved Gruyère and creamy black pepper dressing

## Baby Spinach Salad ~ \$9.50

Tender baby spinach tossed with shaved red onions, candied pecans, crumbled Point Reyes blue cheese and sugar cane vinaigrette

Chef's Seasonal Salad of the Day ~ \$9.50
Garden greens, fresh local produce and house made vinaigrette

# Wild White Shrimp Remoulade ~ \$10.50

White remoulade, shaved root vegetables, ripped herbs, wild white shrimp, preserved lemon peel and petite greens

Shrimp and Tasso Henican ~ \$12.50

Crystal hot sauce beurre blanc, pickled okra and five pepper jelly

(For parties of 20 or fewer)



### Entrées

One set menu, without choices for any course, is required for parties with more than 14 guests.

Prices do not include beverages, gratuity or sales tax.

## Barbecued Wild White Shrimp ~ \$32

Louisiana white shrimp seared with toasted garlic, local hot sauce, rosemary and Abita beer ~ whipped brie stone ground grits, charred chilies and spicy barbecue sauce

## Filet of Black Angus Beef ~ \$45

Whiskey smoked onions, roasted mushrooms, Creole smashed new potatoes and glace de viande

### Griddle Seared Gulf Fish ~ \$34

A light dish of crab boiled seasonal vegetables with local Meyer lemons and brown butter vinaigrette

## Pecan Crusted Gulf Fish ~ \$39

Champagne poached jumbo lump crab, spiced pecans and crushed corn sauce



# **Dinner Tasting Menu**

(Items may be substituted upon request with sufficient notice.)

Prices do not include beverages, gratuity and tax.

# Traditional Creole Tasting Menu ~ \$62.00

### Turtle Soup

A Commander's classic spiked with sherry

### Classic Commander's Salad

Green leaf lettuce, grated Parmesan, pressed egg, housemade bacon, French bread croutons, shaved Gruyère and creamy black pepper dressing

#### Pecan Crusted Gulf Fish

Champagne poached jumbo lump crab, spiced pecans and crushed corn sauce

### Tournedos of Black Angus Beef

Whiskey smoked onions, roasted mushrooms, Creole smashed new potatoes and glace de viande

#### Soufflé

Creole Bread Pudding Soufflé with warm whiskey cream (Bread Pudding Soufflé - For parties of 40 or fewer)

# Commander's Classic Tasting Menu ~ \$65.50

### Wild White Shrimp Remoulade

White remoulade, shaved root vegetables, ripped herbs, wild white shrimp, preserved lemon peel and petite greens

### Chef's Seasonal Salad of the Day

Garden greens, fresh local produce and house made vinaigrette

#### Griddle Seared Gulf Fish

A light dish of crab boiled seasonal vegetables with local Meyer lemons and brown butter vinaigrette

#### Tournedos of Black Angus Beef

Whiskey smoked onions, roasted mushrooms, Creole smashed new potatoes and glace de viande

#### Cake

House made Creole cream cheesecake with a honey graham crust, chocolate lattice and sticky caramel sauce



# Dessert Menu

Coffee service is available for \$3.00 per person, plus gratuity and sales tax.

### *Sorbet* ~ \$7.50

Brown sugar pecan tuile with mint garnish

## Creole Bread Pudding Soufflé ~ \$9.50

Rich bread pudding soufflé whipped into a light fluffy soufflé ~Whiskey sauce added tableside~ (For parties of 40 or fewer)

### Praline Parfait ~ \$8.50

House made vanilla bean ice cream with whipped chantilly, candied pecans, a crisp tuile and liquefied pralines
(For parties of 40 or fewer)

### Creole Cream Cheese Cheesecake ~ \$9.50

House made Creole cream cheesecake with a honey graham crust, chocolate lattice and sticky caramel sauce

### Pecan Pie ~ \$8.50

Warm pecan pie and vanilla bean ice cream with melted chocolate, candied pecans & Fleur de Sel caramel sauce

# Classic Crème Brûlée ~ \$9.00

A rich vanilla custard with a caramelized Dixie crystal crust

# 60 Great Wines Under \$60 each

## FEATURE COLLECTION: The Bichot Burgundy Héritage Collection

benefitting the New Orleans Wine & Spirits Education Foundation
---

B-9794*	2016 <b>Ablert Bichot</b> · <i>Héritage Collection</i> · Bourgogne Chardonnay · Burgundy · France	55
B-9800*	2017 <b>Ablert Bichot</b> · <i>Héritage Collection</i> · Chardonnay <i>les Charmes</i> · Mâcon-Lugny · Burgundy · France	50
B-9797*	2016 <b>Ablert Bichot</b> · <i>Héritage Collection</i> · Chardonnay · Chablis · Burgundy · France	58
B-9803*	2016 <b>Ablert Bichot</b> · <i>Héritage Collection</i> · Bourgogne Pinot Noir · Burgundy · France	56
	Commander's Palace Reserve Collection by Bruno Lafon	
B-1000	2017 <b>Commander's Palace</b> Chardonnay by Bruno Lafon · Pays d'Oc · France	44
B-1005	2017 <b>Commander's Palace</b> Merlot by Bruno Lafon · Pays d'Oc · France	44
B-1010	2017 <b>Commander's Palace</b> Cabernet Sauvignon by Bruno Lafon · Pays d'Oc · France	48
B-1040	2017 <b>Commander's Palace</b> · Gold Label Reserve by Bruno Lafon · Pinot Noir · Pays d'Oc · France	52
	Sparkling Wines	
B-1300	MV Segura Viudas · Brut Reserva · Cava · Spain	28
B-3989	MV Torre Oria · Brut Reserva · Cava · Spain	30
M-5903	MV François Montand · Brut Blanc de Blancs · France	38
B-8373	MV Serenello · Prosecco DOC Extra Dry · Italy	42
B-4011	MV François Montand · Brut Rosé · France	44
B-1733	MV Roederer Estate · Anderson Valley · Mendocino County · California	56
	Light-Bodied & Aromatic Whites	
B-0928	2017 <b>The Crossings</b> · Sauvignon Blanc · Marlborough · New Zealand	34
B-6941	2013 <b>Hope &amp; Grace</b> · Sauvignon Blanc · Napa Valley · California	46
B-7148	2017 <b>Long Meadow Ranch</b> · Sauvignon Blanc · Napa Valley · California	48
B-6613	2016 <b>Girard</b> · Sauvignon Blanc · Napa Valley · California	44
M-5600	2015 <b>Conundrum</b> · Sauvignon Blanc/Muscat/Viognier/Chardonnay · California	48
B-4919	2017 <b>Anne Amie</b> · Pinot Gris · Willamette Valley · Oregon	48
A-5003	2017 <b>Alois Lageder</b> · Pinot Grigio · Dolomiti · Italy	38
B-8781	2017 <b>Zuccolo</b> · Pinot Grigio · Friuli Grave DOC · Italy	45
B-0557	2016 <b>Michel Chapoutier</b> · <i>Belleruche</i> · Côtes du Rhône Blanc · Rhône Valley · France	35
M-6590	2016 <b>E. Guigal</b> · Côtes du Rhône Blanc · Rhône Valley · France	45
B-4380	2016 <b>Chateau Musar</b> · <i>Jeune Blanc</i> · Viognier/Vermintino/Chardonnay · Bekaa Valley · Lebanon	56
B-7750	2017 <b>Pine Ridge</b> · Chenin Blanc/Viognier · Napa Valley · California	32

<sup>\*</sup> Wines marked with an asterisk are limited in availability.

# 60 Great Wines Under \$60 each

	Chardonnay	
M-5741	2017 <b>Joseph Drouhin</b> · Chardonnay · Mâcon-Villages · Burgundy · France	34
B-2530	2016 <b>Kunde Family Estate</b> · Chardonnay · Sonoma County · California	40
B-1000	2017 <b>Commander's Palace</b> Chardonnay by Bruno Lafon · Pays d'Oc · France	44
M-5999	2015 <b>Rodney Strong</b> · Chardonnay · Chalk Hill · Sonoma County · California	45
B-5263	2016 <b>Joseph Carr</b> · Chardonnay · <i>Dijon Clones</i> · Sonoma Coast · California	54
M-5712	2016 <b>Sonoma-Cutrer</b> · Chardonnay · Russian River Ranches · Sonoma Coast · California	50
B-7940	2014 <b>Morgan Vineyards</b> · Chardonnay · <i>Highland</i> · Santa Lucia Highlands · Central Coast · California	58
B-8807	2014 <b>Domaine Cordier Père et Fils</b> · Chardonnay · aux Bois d'Allier · Macon · Burgundy · France	54
B-9339*	2016 <b>Domaine Perraud</b> · Chardonnay · Macon-Villages Vieilles Vignes · Burgundy · France	54
B-0389	2016 <b>Chehalem</b> · <i>Inox</i> Unoaked Chardonnay · Willamette Valley · Oregon	56
B-1080	2016 <b>LIOCO</b> · Chardonnay · Sonoma County · California	56
B-3478	2016 <b>Au Bon Climat</b> · Chardonnay · Santa Barbara · Central Coast · California	58
B-2082	Pinot Noir & Gamay  2016 Stoneleigh · Latitude · Pinot Noir · Marlborough · New Zealand	<u></u>
B-2082	2016 <b>Stoneleigh</b> · Latitude · Pinot Noir · Marlborough · New Zealand	45
B-7198	2016 <b>Joseph Drouhin</b> · Laforet · Pinot Noir · Burgundy · France	48
B-1040	2017 Commander's Palace · Gold Label Reserve by Bruno Lafon · Pinot Noir · Pays d'Oc · France	52
B-9103*	2015 Coleman Vineyard · Cherry Cove · Pinot Noir · Willamette Valley · Oregon	50
B-7195*	2015 <b>Sonoma-Cutrer</b> · Pinot Noir · Sonoma Coast · California	50
M-5795*	2015 <b>King Estate</b> · Pinot Noir · Willamette Valley · Oregon	58
B-8504	2013 <b>Pascal &amp; Jean-Philippe Granger</b> · <i>Cuvée Spéciale</i> · Gamay · Juliénas · Beujolais · France	48
	Rhône Reds	
B-9646	2015 <b>les Cassagnes de la Nerthe</b> · Côtes-du-Rhône Villages · Rhône Valley · France	45
B-1123	2017 <b>Domaine les Grands Bois</b> · <i>Trois Soeurs</i> · Côtes du Rhône · Rhône Valley · France	42
B-4372*	2016 <b>Delas Frères</b> · <i>Saint-Esprit</i> · Côtes du Rhône · Rhône Valley · France	40

M-1890--

27

2015 **Perrin** · Côtes du Rhône · Rhône Valley · France

<sup>\*</sup> Wines marked with an asterisk are limited in availability.

# 60 Great Wines Under \$60 each

	Cabernet Sauvignon & Merlot Based Reds	
B-2310	2016 <b>Jacob's Creek</b> · Reserve · Cabernet Sauvignon · South Australia	34
B-4360	2016 Josh Cellars · Cabernet Sauvignon · Sonoma County · California	38
M-2172*	2016 <b>Rodney Strong</b> · Cabernet Sauvignon · Sonoma County · California	44
B-1005	2017 Commander's Palace Merlot by Bruno Lafon · Pays d'Oc · France	44
B-1010	2017 Commander's Palace Cabernet Sauvignon by Bruno Lafon · Pays d'Oc · France	48
B-4363	2015 Barnard Griffin · Cabernet Sauvignon · Columbia Valley · Washington	52
B-3575	2016 <b>Twenty Bench</b> · Cabernet Sauvignon · Napa Valley · California	58
B-3320*	2014 <b>Chateau St. Jean</b> · Cabernet Sauvignon · Sonoma County · California	58
B-7353	2014 <b>Château Bellevue Peycharneau</b> · Merlot/Cabernet · Bordeaux Supérieur · France	42
B-9647	2015 <b>St. Francis</b> · <i>Claret</i> Red Blend · Sonoma County · California	55
B-0601	2014 <b>Kunde Estate</b> · Merlot · Sonoma County · California	46
B-6585	2013 <b>Skyfall Vineyard</b> · Merlot · Columbia Valley · Washington	44
B-3984	Additional Full-Bodied Reds  2016 Terrazas de los Andes · Altos del Plata · Malbec · Mendoza · Argentina	42
B-3984 B-0882	2016 <b>Terrazas de los Andes</b> · <i>Atros del Plata</i> · Malbec · Mendoza · Argentina 2016 <b>Terrazas de los Andes</b> · Reserva · Malbec · Mendoza · Argentina	58
M-2828	2015 <b>Barnard Griffin</b> · Syrah · Columbia Valley · Washington	48
B-2365	2015 <b>Charles Smith</b> · <i>Boom Boom</i> · Syrah · Columbia Valley · Washington	46
B-6604	2015 <b>Stolpman</b> · <i>Estate Grown</i> · Syrah · Ballard Canyon · California	58
B-1235	2015 <b>Kunde Estate</b> · Zinfandel · Sonoma County · California	50
B-9649	2015 <b>St. Francis</b> · Old Vine Zinfandel · Sonoma County · California	55
B-6584	2014 <b>Girard</b> · Old Vine Zinfandel · Napa Valley · California	58
B-0254	2014 <b>Tenuta Arceno</b> · Sangiovese · Chianti Classico DOCG · Tuscany · Italy	48
B-1881	2015 <b>El Coto</b> · Tempranillo · DOCa Rioja Crianza · Spain	36
B-7929	2013 <b>Seamus Winery</b> · <i>Hoj Poj</i> · Touriga Nacional Blend · Sonoma County · California	38
B-8304	2014 <b>Charles Joguet</b> · <i>Cuvée Terroir</i> · Cabernet Franc · Chinon · Loire Valley · France	50

<sup>\*</sup> Wines marked with an asterisk are limited in availability.