## MIDNIGHT



## MIDNIGHT APOTHECARY CORPORATE DRINKS PACKAGES AT THE BRUNEL MUSEUM

Whether you want to host a unique corporate event, or are just getting your staff team together, Midnight Apothecary is here to help as the museum's event partner and resident cocktail bar. Our friendly and experienced team brings a wealth of event management, front of house and bar skills to ensure your special occasion is memorable for all the right reasons.

#### ABOUT US

We have been creating exclusive and extraordinary events at the Brunel Museum for the last ten years. The Midnight Apothecary is owned and managed by Lottie Muir, The Cocktail Gardener who designed and built the roof garden and its bar above the Grand Entrance Hall in 2012.

We are particularly well known for our regular campfire cocktail evenings held throughout the year. Firepits, toasted marshmallows and giant tiki torches complement our award-winning botanical cocktails & mocktails, and the small but excellent range of wines, beers and soft drinks, served in both our atmospheric roof garden and down on the candlelit terrace. Many of the ingredients we use to infuse and garnish our cocktails are grown in our garden or foraged close by. Local suppliers of our premium alcohol and sodas include Bermondsey's Jensen's gin, Hiver Honey Beers, Anspach & Hobday and Hackney's Square Root Sodas.

Guided tours of the underground Grand Entrance Hall by an entertaining actor form an optional, unique cultural high point in the evening. In the colder months we descend underground with our cocktail bar to offer a range of cabaret, sing-a-longs and films while upstairs in the roof garden the firepits and hot toddies keep everyone toasty.

We are regularly featured in the top ten rooftop bars and unique experiences in London.

#### **OUR SERVICES**

Front of House Front and Back Bar Provision of waiting and bar staff, kitchen porters and glass washing Event set-up/Clean up/waste disposal Bespoke cocktail design Roof Garden lighting (storm lanterns and fairy lights)

#### **OPTIONAL EXTRAS**

Centralised firepit and complementary marshmallows for toasting Additional Roof Garden lighting (giant tiki torches/giant flares) Guided tours of underground Grand Entrance Hall by actor

#### THE DEAL

Whether you want to re-create one of our regular events exclusively for your guests or have something else in mind, we'd be delighted to hear from you. We are currently operating full table service and if you choose to have guests ordering from the menu they will do so via the QR codes placed where they are sat. The garden can accommodate 70 people standing or 50 seated (capacities for the other spaces are in the Venue section at the end of this document).

You can choose from the following options for your event:

- **An open bar** whereby you pay a minimum bar spend tab in advance and guests order from the menu during your event. We keep an eye on spending and let you know when/if the minimum spend has been met. You can then either top up the spend to an amount of your choosing or convert to guests paying for drinks themselves.

- **A paying ba**r whereby you pay 50% of the agreed minimum bar spend when booking and guests then order from the menu during the event. If the overall minimum bar spend is reached at the end of the hire, we return your deposit by bank transfer after the event. If not then we keep the difference.

- **An Open Bar Drinks Package** option (details outlined further below) whereby you have beers/wines/prosecco/spirits & mixers available either on ice to self-serve or with Midnight Apothecary staff service.

- A mixture of the open or paying bar but with a welcome cocktail/mocktail and/or glass of fizz per guest in addition.

There are a few terms and conditions that are a prerequisite for your event:

• All alcohol consumed on the premises must be purchased and served through/by Midnight Apothecary.

• Food catering at all events is flexible. You are welcome to provide your own catering or ask us for suggestions of recommended caterers (we are currently partnering with The Pizza Room Surrey Quays). Please note there are currently no oven, grill or warming facilities at the Museum and very limited fridge and prep space. It is the responsibility of the hirer/caterer to ensure that all food waste is cleared & disposed of by the end of the session.

• We require a deposit of 50% of the agreed minimum spend payable when you confirm your booking whatever your choice of spend/package. The full balance is either payable prior to the start of your event if it is an open bar OR payable via drinks bought by guests during the event if you have a paying bar. T&Cs will apply & be signed for by the hirer on confirmation of booking.

• Separately there is a venue hire fee to be paid to the Brunel Museum. This applies to ALL hires and the amount is dependent on your hire days/times. Please visit https://www.thebrunelmuseum.com/venue-hire for more information.

# STANDARD MINIMUM SPEND PRICING (INCLUSIVE OF VAT) for HIRE AND USE OF \*ROOF GARDEN ON <u>THURSDAY NIGHTS, 5-10PM</u> ONLY:

**<u>UP TO 30 GUESTS</u>** between 1 May and 20 December our minimum spend for alcohol/bar services during exclusive hire is £1500. A separate venue hire fee of £480 is payable to the Museum for use of the Roof Garden.

<u>UP TO 50 GUESTS</u> between 1 May and 20 December our minimum spend for alcohol/bar services during exclusive hire is £2500. A separate venue hire fee of £480 is payable to the Museum for use of the Roof Garden.

\*<u>UP TO 100 GUESTS</u> between 1 May and 20 December our minimum spend for alcohol/bar services is £3500. A separate venue hire fee of £550 is payable to the Museum for use of the Roof Garden and the Ground Floor Terrace (\*both spaces would need to be hired to accommodate this number).

Please let us know if you would like to run your event on one of our premium evenings (Friday/Saturday) as there are different prices for that.

#### WHAT'S INCLUDED

Everything in the 'Our Services' section

#### **OPTIONAL EXTRAS (INCLUSIVE OF VAT)**

- **Centralised firepit** in the roof garden or on the Terrace with kiln-dried logs, kindling and someone to light & manage it, plus complementary marshmallows & bamboo marshmallow toasting sticks for each guest **£150**
- **S'mores kits** (marshmallows, biscuits, bamboo toasting sticks)/Vegan s'mores kits (vegan marshmallows, vegan cookies, vegan chocolate bar, bamboo toasting sticks) **£2.50 per person**
- Additional Roof Garden lighting (X7 giant tiki torches) £70
- Guided tour of Brunel's underground Grand Entrance Hall by actor £50
- **6ftx4ft Trestle table** available if bringing your own food or snacks (you/the caterer would need to provide tablecloth, napkins, cutlery, plates & be responsible for clearing up/putting waste into bags) **£Free**

#### MIDNIGHT APOTHECARY OPEN BAR DRINKS PACKAGES

Package	BRONZE package	SILVER package	GOLD package
	PACKAGE	PACKAGE	PACKAGE
	INCLUDES:	INCLUDES:	INCLUDES:
	Bottled beers, spirits & mixers, wines, prosecco	Local bottled beers, premium spirits & mixers, organic wines, prosecco	Local bottled beers, premium spirits & mixers, organic wines, prosecco, personalised
			botanical cocktails
No. of Guests	Price per head/4 hours of service		
25-50	£26.50	£38.50	£56.95
51-100	£24.50	£33.75	£48.50
101-140	£22.75	£31.50	£43.50

(4 hours' service Roof Garden or Terrace)

You can extend/decrease the time if required. Please do not hesitate to contact us for details. Premium spirits: Jensen's Bermondsey Dry, Jensen's Old Tom, Mount Gay Rum.

#### **BAR PACKAGES**

We are of course delighted to offer you a bespoke package based on the following drinks prices: Cocktails: £9.50 Bottles of beer: £5 Glass of red, white or rose wine (175ml): £5.50 Glass of prosecco (125ml): £6.50 Bottle of red, white: £21 Bottle of rose wine: £22 Bottle of prosecco: £30

Welcome cocktail/mocktail and/or welcome glass of fizz prices are based on the bespoke bar package prices above.

#### LOCATION

The Brunel Museum is situated moments from the river Thames in the historic, cobbled street-lined Rotherhithe Village, SE16 4NF, overlooking Wapping. It is two minutes' walk from Rotherhithe Overground station and a 7 minute walk from Canada Water station (Jubilee line).

#### THE VENUE

The Brunel Museum is on the site of the Thames Tunnel, one of the city's Victorian engineering masterpieces. It was opened in 1843 as the world's first tunnel under a navigable river. Regarded as "the eighth wonder of the world" at the time, it was one of London's leading tourist attractions. Although designed by Marc Brunel, it was the first major project worked on by his more famous son, Isambard Kingdom Brunel.

**Hours:** 10pm event finish, guests exit by 10.30pm.

Music: None permitted (we are situated in a residential area)

**Weather:** We are an outdoor bar with no rain cover. We usually manage any showers by guests bringing umbrellas. In the event of very bad weather we would move your Roof Garden event inside the Engine House where possible and set up the bar, tables/chairs inside. We would only cancel an event if prolonged heavy rain/winds are forecast and it was not possible to move the event inside. You are welcome to erect an appropriately sized gazebo whatever the weather in the centre of the Roof Garden, and/or outside the Barn Doors if you wish - let us know if this is a part of your plan.

#### The Roof Garden

Directly above the underground Grand Entrance Hall lies our beautiful apothecary roof garden. It is 15ft above ground level reached by a narrow flight of stairs. It contains a wealth of beautiful and unusual herbs in our raised beds and houses our permanent cocktail bar, a centralised sundial and site of our firepit. There are tree stump stools dotted about for seating/tables and wooden benches attached to the perimeter railings. We illuminate the garden at night with tiki torches, storm lanterns and fairy lights.

Capacity: 70 standing, 50 seated.

Facilities: cocktail bar, firepits, small food serving counter top (1.2m x 80cm) Lighting: giant candle flares/giant tiki torches, storm lanterns, fairy lights

#### **The Engine House**

The beautiful brick Engine House with its iconic chimney houses the current small museum collection in the upper gallery, while the mezzanine houses the shop. The lower mezzanine houses the remainder of the collection, the small kitchen, toilets (two unisex toilets) and barn doors leading onto the back

entrance of the museum at street level. Food trucks or additional portable toilets can be sited outside the barn doors.

Capacity: 60 standing. Power: 100amp supply Facilities: two unisex toilets (one wheelchair accessible), small kitchen (no heating/warming facilities), small fridge

## The Terrace

The brick-floored, tree-lined terrace has indirect views of the Thames and is surrounded by attractive edible herb plant boxes. Our second cocktail bar is housed on the terrace enabling us to serve standing or seated drinks receptions.

Capacity: 150 standing, 110 seated theatre style, 50 seated cabaret style Power: 100amp supply via extension cable from Engine House Lighting: festoon lights on bar, candles on tables, fairy lights in flower beds & around trees

Should you wish to hire any other part of the Museum (eg the Tunnel Shaft), require hire prices for the Terrace and/or Engine House, or want to hire for a non-Midnight Apothecary based event please email Alicja at <u>event@thebrunelmuseum.com</u> for more information.

#### HOW TO BOOK

Please confirm the following in an email to <a href="https://www.location.co.uk">lottie@themidnightapothecary.co.uk</a>

- Date, time, number of guests
- Type of min bar spend/package
- Arrival time of lead guest + whether guests will arrive all together or in stages
- Confirm optional extras (if applicable) firepit & marshmallows, s'mores kits, giant tiki torches, tour, extra trestle table
- Food: let us know when you expect delivery from your caterer & the arrangements for waste disposal
- Correct details for invoicing/Bank details for returning deposit (if applicable)
- Contact phone number

We'd be delighted to discuss your plans to make your event perfect. Please email us with any other questions or requests.

# A note about dogs, smoking, mobility access & music...!

## Dogs

We love dogs here at the Midnight Apothecary and are very happy for you to bring well-behaved canine friends to your event. Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times as the Garden gate needs to remain open for staff access. Water bowls/complementary dog biscuits are available on request.

## The Roof Garden

The area behind the bar and also the steps up to our storage sheds are for staff only. The Roof Garden is fully maintained throughout the year but we will make sure that any gardening implements left in situ are as unobtrusive as possible during your hire. We ask that all guests respect the contents of the raised beds and special care needs to be taken around the firepit & central sundial. We strongly encourage 'scratch and sniff' to acquaint everyone with the magnificent abundance of herbs and flowers in the garden. Our Midnight Apothecary staff team will be happy to assist should you require it.

#### Smoking

Smoking is permitted on the premises but we ask that you use the ashtrays available on request to keep the space clean & tidy.

#### **Mobility Access**

The Engine House & Ground Floor Terrace are fully accessible, with ramps leading up to the Terrace/into the Engine House and a stairlift installed for access to the Upper Gallery. The top of the Tunnel Shaft is wheelchair accessible with a view looking down onto the Grand Entrance Hall but a spiral staircase is the only route down into the Hall itself. The Roof Garden does not yet have wheelchair access. **Music** 

Music is not permitted in the Roof Garden as we are in a residential area but it's so atmospheric up there, you won't miss it!