

PACKAGES

BUDGET BEATER

This package includes two hours of food and beverage service.

1/4 LB. CHAR BURGERS

Served on freshly baked buns.

2 OZ. CHAR DOGS

Served on freshly baked poppyseed buns.

GARDEN BURGERS V

Served on freshly baked buns.

BBQ CHICKEN DRUMSTICKS & WINGS

CONDIMENTS V | GF

Ketchup, mustard, relish, diced onion, kosher dill pickle, sliced tomato, sport pepper and sauerkraut.

SLICED AMERICAN CHEESE V | GF

CHOOSE ONE

Creamy Cole Slaw V | GF

Old Fashioned Potato Salad v | GF

POTATO CHIPS V | GF

CHILLED WATERMELON SLICES V | GF

PINK LEMONADE & ICE WATER

TRADITIONAL PICNIC

1/4 LB. JUMBO CHAR DOGS

Served on freshly baked poppyseed buns.

6 OZ. CHAR BURGERS

Served on freshly baked buns.

GARDEN BURGERS V

Served on freshly baked buns.

CONDIMENTS V | GF

Ketchup, mustard, relish, diced and grilled onion, kosher dill pickle, sliced tomato, sport pepper and sauerkraut.

SLICED AMERICAN CHEESE V | GF

CREAMY COLE SLAW V | GF

OLD FASHIONED POTATO SALAD V | GF

CHILLED WATERMELON SLICES V | GF

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WINDY CITY PICNIC

1/4 LB. CHAR BURGERS

Served on freshly baked buns.

2 OZ. CHAR DOGS

Served on freshly baked poppyseed buns.

GARDEN BURGERS V

Served on freshly baked buns.

BBQ CHICKEN DRUMSTICKS & WINGS

CONDIMENTS V | GF

Ketchup, mustard, relish, diced onion, kosher dill pickle, sliced tomato, sport pepper and sauerkraut.

CORN COBBETTES V | GF

Served with spiked butter.

SLICED AMERICAN CHEESE V | GF

OLD FASHIONED POTATO SALAD V | GF

POTATO CHIPS V | GF

CHILLED WATERMELON SLICES V | GF

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GOURMET PICNIC

6 OZ. CHAR BURGERS

Served on freshly baked buns.

GARDEN BURGERS V

Served on freshly baked buns.

1/4 LB. JUMBO CHAR DOGS

Served on freshly baked poppyseed buns.

5 OZ. TERIYAKI OR BBQ CHICKEN BREAST

Boneless and skinless chicken breast served on freshly baked buns.

CONDIMENTS V

Ketchup, mustard, relish, diced and grilled onion, sport pepper, sliced tomato, kosher dill pickle, sauerkraut, sliced red onion, shredded lettuce, mayonnaise, and BBQ and teriyaki sauces.

SLICED AMERICAN CHEESE V | GF

POTATO CHIPS V | GF

HOMEMADE PASTA PRIMAVERA SALAD V

CORN ON THE COBB IN THE HUSK V | GF

Char-grilled and served with spiked butter.

FRESH FRUIT SALAD V | GF

Watermelon, honeydew, cantaloupe, grapes and pineapple.

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WESTERN PICNIC

BBQ BABY BACK RIBS

BONE-IN BBQ CHICKEN

BBQ SAUCE V

CORN ON THE COBB IN THE HUSK V | GF

Char-grilled and served with spiked butter.

CREAMY COLE SLAW V | GF

POTATO CHIPS V | GF

HOMEMADE BAKED BEANS GF

MINIATURE CORNBREAD MUFFINS V

Served with whipped butter and margarine packets.

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MARDI GRAS

6 OZ. CAJUN-SEASONED CHAR BURGERS

Served on freshly baked buns.

JAMBALAYA KEBOBS GF

Jumbo Gulf shrimp, dark meat chicken and Andouille sausage, skewered with red and green bell pepper.

GARDEN BURGERS V

Served on freshly baked buns.

CONDIMENTS V | GF

Ketchup, yellow and dijon mustard, diced and grilled onion, sliced tomato, and kosher dill pickle.

CORN ON THE COBB IN THE HUSK V | GF

Char-grilled and served with spiked butter.

CREAMY COLE SLAW V | GF

RED BEANS 'N RICE GF

HOMEMADE BUTTERMILK BISCUITS V

Served with whipped butter and margarine packets.

FRESH FRUIT SALAD V | GF

Watermelon, honeydew, cantaloupe, grapes and pineapple.

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HAWAIIAN LUAU

Buffet decorated with Polynesian décor, flowers and whole fruit.

WHOLE ROAST PIG

Served on a yellow slider pan bun with pineapple salsa and BBQ sauce.

TERIYAKI CHICKEN KEBOBS

With yellow squash, red pepper and onion.

SHRIMP FRIED RICE

EGG ROLLS

Served with sweet 'n sour and hot mustard dipping sauces.

HAWAIIAN SALAD V | N

With romaine and red leaf lettuce, candied walnuts, mandarin oranges and red onion with homemade raspberry poppyseed dressing.

TROPICAL FRUIT SALAD V | GF

Pineapple, strawberry, grapes, cantaloupe, mango, watermelon, honeydew and toasted coconut in a tropical fruit dressing.

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ALSO AVAILABLE

Hawaiian dancers, Hawaiian music, thatching, and service staff attired in Hawaiian shirts.

PICNIC AL FRESCO

BEEF SIRLOIN KEBOBS

With mushroom, green pepper and red onion.

TERIYAKI CHICKEN KEBOBS

With yellow squash, green pepper and onion.

HERBED RICE GF

BOWTIE PASTA SALAD V

Sliced roma tomato, fresh mozzarella and basil in our garlic-infused olive oil.

RB CHOPPED ITALIAN SALAD V | GF

Iceberg lettuce and spinach with roasted beets, carrots, celery, corn, cucumber, broccoli, red and green bell pepper and provolone cheese, tossed in red wine vinaigrette.

ASSORTED DINNER ROLLS V

Served with whipped butter and margarine packets.

FRESH FRUIT SALAD V | GF

Watermelon, honeydew, cantaloupe, grapes and pineapple.

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CHICAGO CLAM BAKE

Buffet decorated with fish nets, hurricane lamps, buoys and lobster traps.

1.25 LB. LOBSTER One per person. GF Includes lobster bibs and lobster crackers.

STEAMED CLAMS GF

BONE-IN BBQ CHICKEN

DRAWN BUTTER V | GF

NEW ENGLAND CLAM CHOWDER

With oyster crackers.

CORN ON THE COBB IN THE HUSK V | GF

Char-grilled and served with spiked butter.

OUR FAMOUS CEASAR SALAD

With pumpernickel croutons, quartered eggs, and our homemade ceasar dressing.

STEAMED REDSKIN POTATOES V | GF

Drizzled with parsley butter.

ASSORTED DINNER ROLLS V

Served with whipped butter and margarine packets.

CHILLED WATERMELON SLICES V | GF

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SOUTHERN DELIGHT

PULLED BBQ PORK SANDWICHES

Served on yellow slider pan buns.

BBQ SAUCE & GOLDEN BBQ SAUCE V

CHOOSE ONE

Gourmet Baked Beans GF

Vegetarian Baked Beans V | GF

FRIED CHICKEN

Prepared on site.

SOUTHERN COLESLAW V | GF

HOMEMADE MINIATURE CORNBREAD MUFFINS & BUTTERMILK BISCUITS V

Served with whipped butter and margarine packets.

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MEXICAN FIESTA

Buffet decorated with a Mexican-Style market display.

CHOOSE ONE

Sizzling Fajitas

Flour tortillas, filled with chicken, beef and grilled veggies, served with red and green peppers, onion and grilled scallion.

Quesadillas v

Pico de gallo, shredded cheddar and monterey jack cheese, jalapeño pepper, sour cream and guacamole.

REFRIED BEANS V | GF

CLASSIC MEXICAN RICE GF

With peas and potatoes.

BLUE & YELLOW CORN TORTILLA CHIPS V | GF

Served with spicy mexican salsa and homemade guacamole.

OPTIONAL: ADD SALAD

Southwestern Caesar Salad GF

Romaine lettuce, diced tomato, black beans, jícama, roasted corn, chihuahua cheese and blue corn tortilla chips tossed in our key lime salsa caesar dressing.

CAPE COD FISH FRY

Buffet decorated with red and white table coverings, lobster trap, galleons and lanterns.

GOLDEN FISH FILETS

Battered natural cut fish filets prepared from cod, served with fresh tartar sauce, lemon wedges and malt vinegar.

WAFFLE CUT FRENCH FRIES V | GF With ketchup.

CREAMY COLE SLAW V | GF

SOFT WARM GARLIC BUTTER & PARSLEY-DIPPED BREADSTICKS V





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CARNIVAL SNACK CARTS

POPCORN CART

Requires power. If utility power is not available, you may rent a portable generator.

COTTON CANDY MACHINE

Requires power. If utility power is not available, you may rent a portable generator.

SOFT PRETZEL MACHINE

Requires power. If utility power is not available, you may rent a portable generator.

SNO CONE MACHINE

Requires power. If utility power is not available, you may rent a portable generator.

NACHO MACHINE

Sliced jalapeños and cheese included.

ANTIQUE HOT DOG CART

ICE CREAM CART

BEVERAGES

PINK LEMONADE

FRESH SQUEEZED LEMONADE

ICED TEA

DRAFT BEER

RED AND WHITE WINE

WINE SPRITZERS



SPECIAL SERVICES

Our special services show your guests that you really care - from fun mementos to conveniences to safety. It's all waiting for you.

ADULT & CHILDREN'S GAMES

With prizes.

BOUNCE HOUSES

CARNIVAL RIDES

PETTING ZOO & PONY RIDES

FACE PAINTERS, MAGICIANS & ENTERTAINERS

DJ'S & BANDS

CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

RAFFLE DRUM RENTAL

With double raffle tickets.

BULLHORN RENTAL

HELIUM TANK

Balloons not included.

MULTICOLORED SELF-CLOSING 11" BALLOONS

Helium not included.

TABLES

CHAIRS

PLASTIC TABLECLOTHS

With clips.

LINEN RENTAL

SPORTS EQUIPMENT RENTAL

VOLLEYBALL SET

With ball and set up.

HORSESHOE SET

CROQUET SET

With clubs, posts, balls and hoops.

TUG OF WAR ROPE

LADDER GAME

BAGGO

BINGO

BACCI BALL

PORTABLE TOILETS Min 2.

PORTABLE SINKS

AMBULANCE

With 2 medics.

SPORTS REFEREES

RECEPTION ATTENDANTS Min 4 hrs.

TENTS

PICNIC GIVEAWAYS

CUSTOM BANNERS & SIGNAGE

BUSES OR TROLLEYS

PHOTOGRAPHERS

STAGING

DANCE FLOOR

VALET PARKING

BALLOON COLUMNS, ARCHES & CLUSTERS

WRIST BANDS





PICNIC FAQS

DO YOU OFFER A VARIETY OF FOOD OPTIONS?

Absolutely. As a catering company, we always put food first. We offer a variety of different menus for you to choose from, including vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free items. Consult your Event Coordinator if you require specialty dishes for those with nut allergies or other dietary restrictions.

DO YOU EVER RUN OUT OF FOOD?

Never. With over 30 years of experience, we know how to design menus and portions to ensure that this never happens. With thousands of events under our belt, this is something we have mastered – no need to worry!

DO YOU FOLLOW FOOD SAFETY STANDARDS?

At all times. All of our employees are ServSafe certified. We also have refrigerated vehicles and ice packed coolers to keep food safe until it's time to throw it on the grill.

WILL WE NEED SPECIAL PERMITS?

Depends. When discussing venues, our staff will let you know if any permits are required. If they are, we'll gladly coordinate them for you.

DO YOU OFFER FAMILY-FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES?

We do. We work with a variety of vendors to provide a comprehensive list of family-friendly rentals that are fun and safe for guests of all ages.

ARE YOU FULLY INSURED?

Yes. Our function directors and managers are summer festival certified annually by the City of Chicago. We also have a full liquor license and insurance, and all of our bartenders are Basset trained and licensed by the state of Illinois.

WHAT HAPPENS IF IT RAINS?

Weather can be unpredictable at times, depending on the time of year. That's why we always have a back-up plan in place. We can absolutely provide large tents if needed to cover the entire picnic area. Best to consult your Event Coordinator to discuss the likelihood of rain during your event and our different options for handling it.

Catering by Michaels has made every effort to ensure that the allergen information provided is accurate. However, because of the handcrafted nature of our menu items, the variety of procedures used in our kitchens and our reliance on our suppliers, we can make no guarantees of its accuracy and disclaim liability for the use of this information. All common allergens are present and processed in our facility.

EXCLUSIVE VENUES

BANNER DAY CAMP



Located on over 55 acres of land and set in a shady oak forest, members of your team will enjoy a unique event.
Banner offers state of the art facilities within a natural environment enhanced with many opportunities for a productive and fun filled day.

TAMARAK DAY CAMP

This is a densely wooded, ten-acre facility for groups of 50 to 350. Its facilities include tennis and basketball courts, a swimming pool, playgrounds, abundant sporting areas, and a modern pavilion with picnic tables.



INDEPENDENCE GROVE



Independence Grove Forest Preserve is an exclusive venue to Catering by Michaels. The venue offers multiple on-site event spaces with stunning views of the lake, beach, and wooded areas. Any space on the property can serve as a truly unique and memorable backdrop and experience.

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