



# LOVEJOY

Catering & Events

Your Event... Our Passion...

## **Finger and Fork Buffet Menus**

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# Welcome

For over half a century, we have provided our highly professional event catering service for many special events, just like yours. Being one of the premier caterers in Essex, we have an in-depth experience of weddings and events so are well placed to guide you on planning your perfect event. Your event is our passion...

## Why Us?

Our team is passionate about providing our customers with great food and a first-rate service and are delighted that our Facebook and Google reviews reflect this with a score of 4.9 and 5.0, respectively. For more information, reviews and pictures of our food, head over to our website, Facebook page or Instagram page

## Our Food

As an award-winning caterer, we pride ourselves on creating dishes from scratch, using the finest ingredients from carefully selected local suppliers. Our team has a genuine love for making your wedding or event one to remember. Don't take our word for it, check out our customer reviews!

## Our Prices

In addition to providing excellent food and a first-rate service, we aim to give our customers incredible value. We appreciate that every individual has a budget, so we like to work with you to find the best catering option for your wedding or event.

## What Our Customer Say

*"Lovejoy Catering and Events catered for our wedding, the food was lovely and the service was great. Always quick to answer any questions we had during the planning and helped make our wedding day perfect.*

*Thank-you and can't recommend them enough!"*

*Rebecca Turner, Facebook.*

*"Lovejoy Catering and Events have been fantastic from start to finish. Reliable, friendly, professional and great value too. The food was delicious and they were so attentive on the day. Did not have to worry about them at all on the day truly excellent xxxxxxxx"*

*Tracy Bakonyvari, Facebook.*

*"Very professional, food was amazing, must say the staff were fun, friendly, and willing to help in any way they could, fun was had by all great team x"*

*Jane Laurence Murray, Facebook*

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# Our Approach

We pride ourselves on creating fantastic dishes that will really wow you and your guests. Our staff have a passion for delivering great food and amazing events. We combine quality catering with a highly rated professional service, to make certain you and your guests will be impressed on your special day.

## Your Team



### **Managing Director, Joey Lovejoy**

After completing his Master's degree, Joey started his career with the MOD as a project manager, responsible for multi-million pound defence contracts, before he formed a business partnership with his Uncle.

Now the sole director, Joey has vastly improved the quality of Lovejoy Catering and Events offering and prides himself on his passion to provide a first-rate, professional service to every customer.

A keen gym goer and mountain hiker, Joey is our in-house "Bear Grylls", ready to take on the challenge of any event.



### **Head Chef, Gareth Watkins**

Having worked as Head Chef at well respected restaurants and numerous event venues in Essex, Chef Gareth has a wealth of experience providing a variety of cuisines for events of all sizes.

He is a conscientious and professional chef who has a passion for creating amazing food. Gareth understands the importance of each individual event and always aims to exceed your expectations.

Gareth loves his food, when not in the kitchen at work he can be found trialling new recipes or covered in mud clambering over obstacles in a field.



### **Events Manager, Catherine Pond**

Catherine has worked for us for over 5 years and is experienced working in all areas of the business. She started on our events team working her way up through the ranks to team leader.

In addition to her sales and marketing executive she is our stand in event manager until our events calendar picks up again. She possesses a can-do attitude, is extremely organised and experienced.

In her spare time, Catherine spends the majority of her time looking after our number one mascot, her little girl Maisie, and spending time with her sisters.

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# Cold Buffets

## Corporate Menu

Sandwiches

- Egg & cress (V)
- Mature Cheddar & chutney (V)
- Ham & chutney
- Chicken, bacon & mayonnaise

Homemade sausage rolls

Mini quiche

Mini scotch egg

Crisps (V)

Fruit platter (V)\*

## Small Desserts

Lemon posset with raspberry compote

Black Forest shot glass

Vanilla panna cotta with chocolate mousse & hazelnut

Vanilla cheesecake with salted caramel & chocolate

## Cold Buffet

Selection of bread rolls & butter (V)

Cold meat platter

Mixed cheese platter with grapes & chutney (V)

Homemade sausage rolls

Mini quiche (V)

Mini scotch egg

Smoked salmon & cream cheese crostini

Baby tomato & bocconcini skewers (V)

Homemade coleslaw (V)

Potato & chive salad (V)

## Afternoon Tea Mini Desserts

Scones with clotted cream and jam

Carrot cake with buttercream and toasted walnuts.

Triple chocolate brownie

## Mixed Buffet

Selection of bread rolls & butter (V)

Cold meat platter

Mixed cheese platter with grapes & chutney (V)

Homemade sausage rolls

Mini quiche (V)

Mini scotch egg

Smoked salmon & cream cheese crostini

Baby tomato & bocconcini skewers (V)

Homemade coleslaw (V)

Potato & chive salad (V)

## Served Hot

Chicken goujons, vegetable spring rolls (V) & chicken satay skewers

## Other Services

Equipment hire - glasses, chairs etc..

Staff hire

Linen hire

Event Management

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# Afternoon Tea

## **Sweet Items (select 4)**

Scones, jam & clotted cream (V)  
Millionaire shortbread (V)  
Lemon and raspberry torte (V)  
Double chocolate bombe (V)  
Triple chocolate brownie (V)  
Berry tartlet (V)  
Macaroons (V)  
Pistachio and orange biscotti

## **Sandwiches (select 3 fillings)**

Honey roasted ham & tomato  
Chicken and bacon  
Egg mayonnaise & cress (V)  
Prawn mayonnaise  
Cheddar & chutney (V)  
Houmous & roasted red pepper (V)\*

## **Savoury Items (select 2)**

Roasted tomato & brie quiches (V)  
Cheese scones & butter (V)  
Tomato and mozzarella bruschetta (V)  
Goats cheese and black olive crostini (V)  
Sausage rolls including vegetarian rolls (V)\*



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# Hot Fork Buffets

Choose 2 options plus 1 vegetarian, an accompaniment and 2 salads to go with it.

## Meat

Chicken or lamb tagine  
Coq au vin  
Chicken Thai green curry  
Chilli con Carne  
Beef casserole

## Accompaniments

New potatoes (V)\*  
Braised rice (V)\*  
Roast new potatoes (V)\*  
Cous-cous (V)\*  
Roasted jacket potatoes (V)\*

## Fish

King prawn & cod Thai green curry  
Fish fricassee  
Mediterranean fish stew

## Sides

Potato & spring onion salad (V)  
Mixed leaf & baby plum tomato salad (V)\*  
Homemade coleslaw (V)  
Pesto pasta salad (V)\*  
Tomato & Red Onion Salad (V)\*  
Spiced herb cous-cous (V)\*  
Greek salad (V)

## Vegetarian

Vegetarian lasagne  
\*Sweet potato, chickpea & spinach tagine  
\*Butternut squash & pearl barley casserole  
\*Mixed bean chilli

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