

AKARANA WATERFRONT

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# CHRISTMAS AT AKARANA

A GUIDE TO CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS AT AKARANA



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Gather, celebrate, and toast to the year that was with a waterfront Christmas celebration at Akarana.

Our all-inclusive Christmas packages combine exceptional dining, harbour views, and professional service, with the flexibility to personalise your event through premium add-ons, festive enhancements, beverage experiences, and onsite activities.



# GATHER & GRAZE

## Cocktail & Walk n Fork Style Dining

**\$119 per person + GST | min 40 pax**

Package Includes:

- Venue hire (5 hours)
- Bar leaners, round tables, chairs and lounge furniture – (Combined Rooms only)
- Christmas themed menu
- White or black linen tablecloths and napkins
- Christmas decor and tree
- Service staff and duty manager
- Set up, cleaning and pack down
- Free on-site parking
- In room sound system for background music
- Projector or TV, screen and hand held microphone
- Security

## MENU

### Canapés to Start

Buffalo mozzarella tartlet, cherry tomato, basil pesto, ev olive oil **v**

Smoked chicken vol-au-vent, brie, pistachio, cranberry gel

### Bowl Food

Festive Wild Mushroom Gnocchi Bowl with wild mushroom fricassee, roasted pumpkin, baby spinach, parmesan and truffle oil **nga, v**

Chargrilled beef brisket with roasted baby potatoes, heirloom tomatoes, chimichurri and crispy shallots **df, nga**

### Carvery Station | Select 2

Honey-glazed Champagne ham, orange marmalade & mustard **df, nga**

Pork shoulder roast, crackling, Marlborough salt **df, nga**

Roast whole chicken with chermoula spice rub **df, nga**

**Served with fresh bread rolls, salads and condiments**

### Dessert Station

Selection of Christmas themed petit fours



# FESTIVE FEAST

## Buffet Dining

**\$135 per person + GST | min 50 pax**

Package Includes:

- Venue hire (5 hours)
- Bar leaners, round tables and chairs
- Decorated buffet tables
- Christmas themed menu
- White or black linen tablecloths and napkins
- Christmas centre pieces and tree
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### Sides

New season gourmet potato salad, garlic aioli, wholegrain mustard, spring onion, pink peppercorns **df, nga, v**

Summer beetroot salad, apple, feta cheese, minted Greek yoghurt **nga, v**

Arugula, aged parmesan & pear salad, caramelized walnut, lemon dressing **nga, v**

### Dessert

Sticky date pudding with butterscotch sauce, fruit skewers with pavlova, Chantilly cream, berry compote, and fresh strawberries



# BEVERAGES

## SERVICE

Start your celebration in style with drinks on arrival, creating the perfect welcome for your guests.

Our event spaces feature fully licensed in-room bars, with flexible beverage service options to suit your event. Choose from bottle service to tables, a hosted bar tab, a cash bar, or a combination of both. Beverage packages can also be tailored to your requirements.

Our drinks selection includes premium wines, tap and bottled beers, spirits, cocktails, and non-alcoholic options. Cocktail and spirit service can be included or excluded depending on your preferences and budget.

Please note that a minimum beverage spend may apply when opening a dedicated event bar to cover staffing and service costs.

## CASH BAR

Guests purchase their own beverages throughout the event, with drinks charged individually at the bar.

## BAR TAB

The event host covers the cost of beverages consumed by guests, with all drinks charged to an agreed tab. A spending limit can be set, after which service can transition to a cash bar if desired.

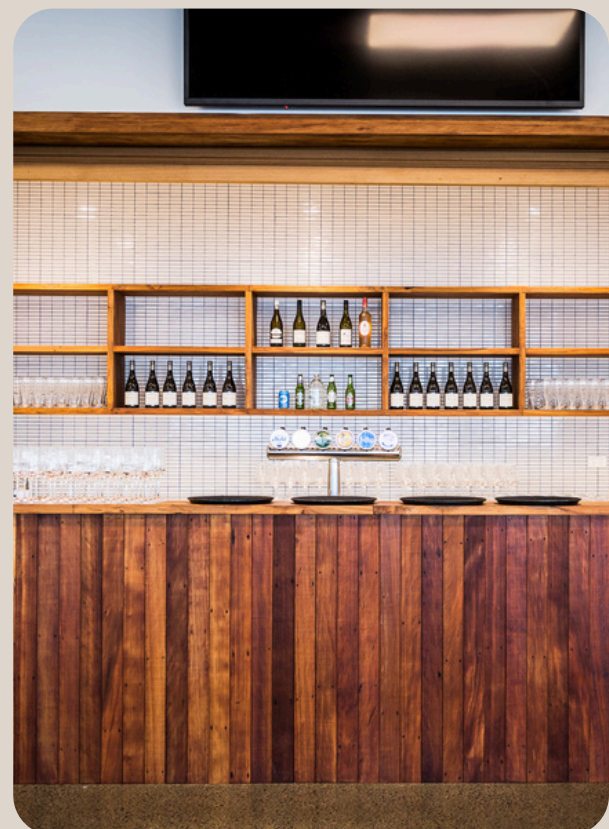
## COMBINATION OPTIONS

Many events choose a combination of both, such as hosting drinks on arrival and a bar tab up to a set amount, before switching to a cash bar for the remainder of the event.

## TEA AND FILTER COFFEE

We can provide freshly brewed filtered Havana coffee and a selection of teas | **\$6 pp**

## BEVERAGE MENU



# MAKE IT YOURS

## ENHANCE YOUR CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Make your event truly memorable with our range of festive add-ons. From arrival drinks and grazing stations to themed décor, entertainment, late-night bites, and premium beverage experiences, our extras are designed to add those special finishing touches that elevate your celebration.

### VENUE | ENTERTAINMENT | BEVERAGES

Additional Hour	\$30pp	Red Carpet	\$150
Dance Floor	\$500	Bubbles on Arrival	\$12pp
DJ & Sound System	\$1500+	Pre Batched Cocktail	\$15pp
Decorative Lighting	POA	Chair Covers	\$8pp

### CATERING

#### Grazing Table

Premium cured meats, artisan cheeses, honey-glazed ham, seasonal berries, fresh and dried fruits, marinated antipasti, artisan breads, gourmet crackers, and candied nuts

#### Seafood Tower | POA

Freshly shucked oyster, AAA tuna Saku, whole tiger prawn, smoked salmon pate & bread wakame, wasabi mayo, 1000 Island dressing, shallot & chive champagne vinaigrette

#### New Zealand King Salmon | POA

Salt crusted whole Big Glory Bay King Salmon stuffed with fennel, lemon, and dill w béarnaise sauce



#### Build Your Own Pavlova Station | \$15pp

Fresh mini pavlova with whipped cream, seasonal berries, passionfruit, and assorted festive toppings

#### Chocolate Fountain | \$450

A decadent festive feature with flowing Belgian chocolate, accompanied by fresh strawberries, seasonal fruits, marshmallows, brownie bites, and other sweet treats for dipping and sharing

# PLANNING

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Minimum guest numbers apply and may vary by venue space.

All Christmas packages include five hours of exclusive venue hire, available within one of the following event windows:

**Day Event:** 11:00am – 5:00pm

**Evening Event:** 6:00pm – 12:00am

Event times are subject to availability and confirmed at the time of booking.

For tailored recommendations, room capacities, and availability, please speak with our Events Team.

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