

# WHEN A MEAL BLOSSOMS INTO ONE OF LIFE'S UNFORGETTABLE MOMENTS

Creating great food is the ultimate art, merging remarkable flavors with incredible presentation is just the beginning. We bake rustic breads from scratch, freshly roast the finest aged meats and forage for the best local ingredients. Everything we prepare is our original recipe, unique to your special event. We know that a meal should be just as delicious when prepared for very large parties as for intimate dinners. Nothing excites us more than being Sarasota's off-premise catering experts for over fifteen years.

Our cuisine is rooted in classic French tradition and blends authentic ethnic flavors from around the world. Chef Larry Barrett, has over 30 years of culinary experience in New York, Los Angeles and Sarasota. Our commitment is to surpass your expectations with our exquisite food and fine dining service. Every event is unique, that is why we listen to your needs and personalize your menu to accommodate your budget and tastes.

We have received the prestigious 2010 Best Caterers award for innovative catering, the Best Caterer Award from Martha Stewart's The Knot and Bride's Choice Award 2011 from Wedding Wire. Details make all the difference. We take pride in discussing and organizing all the details that make your event special. We love to share our years of experience to make your day a moment to remember and be proud of.

"When You Love What You Do, It Shows" Chef Larry and Jamie Barrett

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## **APPETIZERS**

# Our Appetizers are a Feast for the Eyes-Dazzling and Delicious Passed Butler Style on Fresh Herbs or Presented as Artfully Decorated Displays

Gulf Shrimp Caribbean Cantonese Shrimp Mousse Springroll Thai Cashew/Vegetable/Rice Noodle Springroll Aged Tenderloin Garlic Lollipop/Horseradish Cream Jumbo Lump Crispy Crab Cakes Sarasota Conch Fritters/Roasted Red Pepper Sauce Crispy Idaho Potato Pancake/Sour Cream/Chives Tiger Shrimp Wrapped in Smokehouse Bacon Canadian Scallop/Shrimp in Shell Saint-Jacques Belgioso Fontina Stuffed Risotto Cakes Wisconsin Smoked Gouda Quesadillas/Apple/Scallion Sesame Crusted Ahi Tuna, Garlic Crisp, Wasabi Floribbean Key Lime Chicken/Mango/Phyllo Star Roasted Mushroom/Vegetable Crostini Parmesan Scottish Smoked Salmon Napoleon/Scallion Cream Vermouth Glazed Italian Sausage Stuffed Mushroom Firecracker Garlic Shrimp Pesto/Goat Cheese/Grilled Flatbread Triangles Sante Fe Blackbean Cakes/Pico de Gallo

Alsatian Tart/Onion Sauté/Bacon/Swiss/Puff Pastry Bangkok Grilled Chicken Satay, Peanut/Sesame Sauce Atlantic Grilled Salmon/Remoulade/Garlic Crisp/Herbs Asparagus/Smithfield Ham Wrap, Honey/Dijon Sauce Vegetable Confetti/Herb Cream/Olive Pinwheel Mozzarella Fresca Pearl/Basil Skewers Sesame Chicken/Ponzu Sauce/Wonton Crisp Peruvian Ceviche Spoons Scottish Smoked Salmon Pinwheels BBO Chicken/Hoisin/Mozzarella/Grilled Flatbread Tuscan Bruschetta/Bulgarian Feta/Crostini Gulf Shrimp Louie Canapé/Garlic Crisp/Cognac Cream Vietnamese Jasmine Rice Cakes Coach Farms Goat Cheese/Roasted Tomato/Puff Pastry Bacon & Eggs~Creamy Deviled Egg/Bacon Garnish Basil Pesto Goat Cheese Pillows Smokey Andouille Slice/Baguette Slice/Creole Mustard Miniature Steak House Potatoes, Pesto/Sour Cream Smokehouse BLT Canapé

## **Retro Miniature Sandwiches**

Grilled Cheddar Triangles
Second Avenue Deli Rueben
Havana Cuban
Big Easy Muffaletta
Aged Black Angus Sliders
Pulled Pork Po Boy

#### **Chicken Medallions**

Caribbean/Jerk
Asian Spice/Sesame Crusted
Sicilian Marsala/Mushroom
Mediterranean/Fresh Herb
Thai/Coconut Curry

#### **Dim Sum ~ Ponzu Sauce**

Pork/Vegetable Potstickers Shrimp Shu Mai Dumplings Seafood/Pork Dumplings

## **Crispy Phyllo Stars**

Asian Jumbo Lump Crab/Mango Tarragon Chicken Salad/Grape Garnish Athenian Spanakopita Smoked Salmon Mousse Ahi Tuna Tartar Southwest Black Bean/Corn/Vegetable Confetti

## **Passport Soup Sippers**

American Creamy Tomato French Potato Leek Italian Truffled Asparagus Floribbean Crab Bisque Spanish Gazpacho Seville

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## **PRESENTATIONS**

## **Specialty Cheese, Fruit, Nut Presentation**

French Brie En Croute/House Roasted Almonds
Imported Swiss/Wisconsin Cheddar Wedges/Spiced Cashew Nuts
Montrachet Medallions/Extra Virgin Olive Oil/Fresh Thyme
Seasonal Fruit Display/Grape Medley
Baguette Crisps/Assorted Crackers

## **Mediterranean Torte**

Basil Pesto/California Sundried Tomato Pesto/Greek Kalamata Olive Tapanade Savory Buttercream Layers

## A Taste of Provence ~ Crostini Bar

Local Roma Tomatoes/Purple Onion Confetti/Herbs, Minted Artichoke Hearts Tapanade Provencal, Garlic Crostini

Pan Seared Herb Crusted Aged Beef Tenderloin/Horseradish Cream/Parisian Rolls
Aromatic Poached Jumbo Tiger Shrimp Cocktail/Classic Sauce/Citrus Garnish
Roasted Sides of Salmon Balsamico

Caspian Sea Osetra Caviar ~ Idaho Potato Chips/Sour Cream/Chives

Bronzed All Natural Chicken Breast/Roasted Red Pepper Cream/Parisian Rolls

Grilled Mediterranean Vegetable Antipasto

Hummus/Vegetable Fan Medley/Kalamata Olives, Crispy Flour Tortilla Triangles
French Brie En Croute/Apricot Stuffing/Enrobed in Decorative Puff Pastry/Roasted Almonds
Norwegian Smoked Salmon Board/Scallion Cream Cheese/Toast Points/Classic Garnish
Fresh Seasonal Fruit Display/Berry Garnish

Asian Ahi Tuna Tartare/Crispy Wonton Triangles

Scandinavian Citrus Cured Graylax/Dilled Cucumber Salad/Toast Points

Singapore Noodle Bar/Fancy Cut Vegetables/Lime Wedges/Peanuts/Roasted Sesame Dressing Mozzatini Bar/Mozzarella Fresca Pearls/Herbed Tomatoes/Marinated Artichokes/Genoa Salami

Tropical Jumbo Lump Crab/Mango Martini Bar/Crispy Wonton Triangles

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## **SALADS**

#### Gourmet

Cahaba Farms Lettuce Medley/Seasonal Berries/Candied Walnuts Spanish Sherry/Shallot Vinaigrette

## **Chef Barrett's Chopped Cobb Salad**

Local Crisp Lettuce Medley/Assorted Vegetable Confetti/Imported Swiss/Cashews Garlic Buttermilk Ranch, Spanish Sherry/Shallot Vinaigrette

#### Caesar

Romaine Hearts/Classic Creamy Dressing/Italian Parmesan Shavings/Roasted Garlic Croutons

#### Island

Marinated Fresh Hearts of Palm, Herbed Tomatoes, Orange Supremes Cahaba Farms Baby Lettuces, Purple Onion Slivers, Mango Vinaigrette

## Sarasota Wedge

Crispy Iceberg, Applewood Bacon/Tomato Dice/Scallion Maytag Blue Cheese/Chive Dressing

## **Greek Country**

Local Roma Tomatoes/English Cucumbers/Purple Onion/Three Color Peppers/Bulgarian Feta Greek Kalamata Olives/Lemon Vinaigrette

## **Roasted New Potato**

Smokehouse Bacon/Chopped Vegetables/Fresh Herbs, Leek/Onion Sauté

#### BLT

Smokehouse Bacon/Local Lettuce Medley/Tomatoes/English Cucumbers, Buttermilk/Chive Dressing Cheese Tortellini Santorini

LaBella Cheese Tortellini, Tomato/Scallion/Gold Peppers/Purple Onion Confetti, Raspberry Vinaigrette
Asian

Lettuce Medley/Snow Peas/Scallions/Carrot Julienne/English Cucumber/Vegetable Confetti Roasted Sesame/Ginger/Garlic Dressing

## Accompaniments

Artisan Breads~Rosemary/Greek Kalamata Olive, Ciabatta, Rustic Baguettes, Parisian Rolls

## Potatoes/Pasta/Rice

Roasted Rosemary Creamer Potatoes Yukon Gold Garlic Mashed Potatoes

Potatoes au Gratin

Potatoes Lyonnaise

Greek Potatoes, Lemon/Oregano

Steakhouse Hash Browns

Lemon/Thyme Yukon Gold Mashed Potatoes

## **Mashed Potato Bar/Martini Glass Presentation**

Bacon/Sour Cream/Scallions/Cheddar Cheese

Orzo Primavera

Wild Rice Pilaf/Vegetable Confetti

Pineapple Fried Rice

## Vegetables

Smokey Grilled Asparagus Spears

Green Beans Almandine

Zucchini, Carrot, Gold/Red Pepper, Onion Sauté

Grilled Vegetable Antipasto

Creamed Spinach Boursin

Creole Roasted Corn/Peppers/Onions/Tomatoes

Herbed Peas/Pearl Onions

Tomatoes Oreganata

Maple Glazed Carrots

Aromatic Roasted Root Vegetables

French Beans/Carrot Batonnet/Herb Glaze

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## **ENTRÉES**

## Displayed as Elaborate Buffets or Individually Plated for Formal Dining

## **All Natural Poultry**

**Chicken Orleans** 

Chicken Breast, Andouille/Garlic/Vegetable/Herb/Italian Parmesan/Breadcrumb Stuffing

**Chicken Victoria** 

Roasted Mushroom/Vegetable Duxelle Stuffing, Garlic/

Roasted Shallot Demi Chicken Florentine

Spinach/Basil/Ricotta/Italian Parmesan Stuffing

Roasted Red Pepper Cream

Paella Valencia

Saffron Rice/Cumin Scented Chicken, Tiger Shrimp

Vermouth Sauté/Pimento/Pearl Onions/Peas

**Chicken Marengo** 

Chicken Breast Sauté/Roasted Tomatoes/Kalamata

Olives/Capers/Mushrooms

**Bistro Chicken Dijon** 

White Wine/Garlic/Dijon/Herbs, Garlic Breadcrumb Crust

**Chicken Balsamico** 

Grilled Garlic Chicken Breast/Reduced Modena

Balsamic Drizzle

Chicken Roma

Chicken Breast Sauté/Artichoke Hearts/Onions/Mushrooms

Lemon/Caper Sauce

Chicken Ragout

Sliced Chicken Sauté/Wild Forest Mushrooms/Baby Onions

Roasted Garlic Sauce

**Sesame Ginger Chicken** 

Black/White Sesame Crusted Chicken Breast, Citrus Thai

Chili Sauce

Sicilian Chicken Marsala

Seared Chicken Breast, Florio Marsala Wine Reduction, Veal

Demi, Crimini Mushrooms/Garlic/Onions

**Dixie Land Fried Chicken** 

Buttermilk Bathed, Country Herbed/Spiced

Big Easy Chicken Jambalaya

Spice Rubbed Chicken Sauté, Smokey Andouille Half

Moons, Caramelized Peppers/Onions, Long Grain Rice

**Crisped Maple Leaf Duck** 

Slow Cooked Split Duck, Wild Flower Honey Glaze

Turkev Madeira

Handcarved Turkey Breast, Madeira/Wild Mushroom Sauce

Beef/Pork

Herbed New York Strip Loin

Roasted Aged Sirloin, Garlic Studded, Mushroom Demi

Parisian Garlic Sirloin

Grilled Aged Sirloin Slices, Whole Roasted Garlic Cloves

Veal Glaze

**Tenderloin Fantasico** 

Seared Aged Beef Tenderloin/Julienne Vegetable Stuffing

Port Jus

**Beef Carbonnade** 

Aged Sirloin/Mushrooms/Pearl Onions/Pinot Noir

Wine Sauce

Tenderloin au Poivre

Whole Roasted Two Pepper Crusted Tenderloin

Cognac Infused Demi

**Aged Angus Roast Beef** 

Premium Inside Round, Garlic Studded, Chianti Demi

**Beef Short Ribs Napa** 

Braised Cabernet Marinated Short Ribs, Roasted

Vegetable Reduction

Korean Style Barbeque Sirloin

Grilled Aged Sirloin Slices, Soy/Honey/Rice Wine

Marinated /Grilled Scallions

New Zealand Rack of Lamb Provencal

Fresh Herb/Garlic/Dijon/Toasted Breadcrumb Crust

**Mediterranean Lamb** 

Roasted Boneless Leg of Lamb/Rosemary Pesto

Veal Scaloppini

Tender Veal Slices, Tomato/Onion/Mushroom Sauce

Veal Blanquette

Slow Poached Veal, Shallots, Light White Wine/Cream Sauce

Ham Georgia

Orange Marmalade/Bourbon Glaze

**Glazed Corned Beef Brisket** 

Apricot/Whole Grain Mustard Glaze

**Memphis Ribs** 

Dry Spice Rubbed, Housemade Barbeque Sauce

**Pork Medallion Normandy** 

Apple Cider Brined Pork Loin, French Apple Brandy Sauce

Pork Loin Evelyn

Slow Roasted Spice Rubbed, Turkish Apricot/Macadamia

Onion/Orange Chutney

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## **SEAFOOD**

Snapper Orleans~Andouille Crusted Gulf Snapper/Roasted Garlic Butter Island Basa Filet~Red/Gold Tomatoes, Purple Onion/Lime/Fresh Herb Salsa Salmon Persillade~Grilled Salmon/Fresh Herbs/Garlic/Lemon Zest/Capers/Extra Virgin Olive Oil Salmon Balsamico~Roasted Garlic Salmon/Reduced Balsamic Drizzle Salmon Laguria~Basil Pesto Breadcrumb Crust Baja Mahi~Grilled Pacific Mahi Mahi, Mango/Scallion/Sake/Ginger Peruvian Grouper-Gulf Grouper/Three Color Peppers, Purple Onion/Tomato Julienne, Lime Sole Oreganata~Flounder Filet/Fresh Herb/Garlic Breadcrumb Crust Key West Shrimp~Grilled Citrus Shrimp/Tequila Glaze/Fresh Herbs/Roasted Citrus Garnish Sizzling Garlic Shrimp~Tiger Shrimp/White Wine/Extra Virgin Olive Oil/Garlic/Fresh Herbs New England Crab Cakes~Jumbo Lump Crab/Remoulade Sauce Tropical Skewers~Jumbo Gulf Shrimp/Sea Scallop Kabobs, Mango/Ginger Coulis Trout Helena~Fresh Idaho Trout, Lemon/Butter Sauce, Toasted Hazelnuts Shrimp Creole~Shrimp Sauté/Fire Roasted Tomatoes/Onion/Celery/Green Pepper Sauce Tuna Monaco~Peppered Tuna Loin/Tapenade Crust Seafood Imperial~Tiger Shrimp/Sea Scallops, Mushrooms/Pearl Onions/Cream/White Wine/Sherry Sauce Scallops Doria~Sea Scallops/Chardonnay/Garlic/Butter/Oven Dried Tomatoes/Cipollini Onions Asian Red Snapper~Orange/Ginger/Roasted Sesame Infused Gulf Snapper Tilapia Lorenzo~Italian Sausage/Garlic Crusted Tilapia/Marinara Sauce Cod Madison~Atlantic Cod Loin/Thyme Infused Olive Oil, Vegetable/Herb Sauté Shrimp Rollatini~Pancetta Wrapped Tiger Shrimp/White Bean Cassoulet/Basil Oil Sarasota Bouillabaisse~Shrimp/Sea Scallops/Snapper/Clams, Saffron/Tomato/Fennel Jus Charleston Shrimp & Grits~Gulf Shrimp/Smokehouse Bacon/Onions/Herbs~Cheddar/Mascarpone Grits

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Gulf Cashew Snapper~Roasted Cashew/Garlic/Breadcrumb Crust, White Wine/Florida Citrus

## **PASTA**

## Served with Italian Parmesan Cheese LaBella Pasta

## Mediterranean

Rigatoni/Shrimp Sauté/Julienne Vegetables, Vermouth/Garlic/Herbs

## **Smoked Chicken**

Penne/Smoked Chicken/Asparagus/Cremini Mushrooms/Tomato Glaze

#### Mushroom

Orecchiette/Button Mushrooms/White Wine Sauté, Onions/Herbed Tomato Dice

## **Imported Four Cheese Baked Ziti Ricotta**

Ziti, Mozzarella/Fontina/Parmesan/Ricotta Cheeses

## Action Pasta Station~Chef Attended

Penne/Orecchiette Pastas~Choice of Three Sauces

## Northern Italian

Classic Alfredo

Cream/Butter/Italian Parmesan/Cracked Black Pepper

## Pesto Alfredo

Basil Pesto/Butter/Cream/Italian Parmesan/Cracked Black Pepper

#### Carbonara

Cream/Butter/Italian Parmesan/Bacon/Peas/Scallions

#### **Sundried Tomato Cream Sauce**

California Sundried Tomatoes, Cream/Butter/Italian Parmesan/Cracked Black Pepper

## Southern Italian

#### **Housemade Marinara**

San Marzano Tomatoes, Onion/Fresh Torn Basil

#### Sicilian

Housemade Tomato Sauce/Capers/Greek Kalamata Olives

## Vodka

Housemade Tomato Sauce/Absolute Vodka Reduction

## All'Aglio

Extra Virgin Olive Oil/Butter, Garlic/Basil/Oregano/Cracked Black Pepper

#### **Pasta Station Additions**

Grilled Chicken Julienne (Northern or Southern) Shrimp Vermouth Sauté (Northern or Southern) Norwegian Smoked Salmon Slivers (Northern)

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## **DESSERTS**

## **Petits Fours Flight**

Dark Belgian Chocolate Cups/Chocolate Mousse/Toasted Almonds Miniature Fruit Tartlets /White Chocolate Mousse/Glazed Seasonal Fruit

Petite Berry Napoleon
Miniature Cream Puffs
Pina Colada Tartlet
Key Lime Tartlet
Lemon Curd Tartlet

Coconut Custard Tartlet
Peanut Butter Mousse/Dark Belgian Chocolate Cup
Coconut Macaroons/Dark Chocolate Drizzle

#### **Chocolate Fondue Grand Marnier**

European Chocolate/Grand Marnier/Cream Miniature Cream Puffs, Strawberries/Costa Rican Pineapple

## **Grown-Up Sundae Bar**

Vanilla Bean Ice Cream, Country Oatmeal Cookie Crumbles/Belgian Brownie Bits Caramel Sauce/Chocolate Sauce, House Roasted Almonds, Chantilly Cream

Plantation Style Strawberry Shortcake
Chocolate Mousse Napoleon
Old Fashion Apple Crisp/Chantilly Cream
Bananas Fosters/Vanilla Ice Cream/Pecans
Casis Marinated Strawberries Romanoff
European Cheeses/Nuts/Dried Fruits
French Apple Tart/Gingered Whipped Cream

Chocolate/Espresso Tiramisu

Citrus Pound Cake/Stewed Zinfandel Cherries

Berry Napoleon/Mascarpone Cream

Bread Pudding Soufflé/Bourbon Sauce

Chef Barrett's Cookie Collection

Apricot/Almond Chiffon Cake Sandwiches

Intense Chocolate Raspberry Wedge

## **Chocolate Truffle Medley**

Chocolate Rum Truffles/Cocoa Dust, Chocolate/Hazelnut Truffles
White Chocolate Citrus Truffles

#### **Miniature Dessert Parfaits**

Parfait Glass Presentation

Key Lime~Lime Custard/Spiced Graham Crackers/White Chocolate Mousse Chocolate Mousse~Dark Chocolate Mousse/Espresso Soaked Chiffon Cake, Chocolate/Almond Garnish Strawberry Shortcake~Local Berries/Framboise Soaked Chiffon Cake/Chantilly Cream

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