



Palace Cafe & Catering

BBQ EVENT PLANNING

Sometimes a client has a fully-developed concept for a BBQ event in mind - from small picnic to large company occasion to team-building retreat. And sometimes a client has just a glimmer of an idea - or even just the date and a directive to “make it great.” Either way, this is where we can step in and partner with you until all comes together perfectly.

Certainly we can manage just the catering, but some of our other services include:

- venue selection
- menu development
- decor
- theme development
- full staffing
- child entertainment (so the adults can know their kids are having fun and are well-cared-for)
- equipment rentals or specialist hiring:
 - audio
 - tables, chairs, flatware, glassware
 - floral services
 - audio systems
 - Entertainment
 - DJ or announcer
 - bartenders
 - valets

Our expert event planners will be an asset to even the most well-prepared organizer. Our experienced eyes will catch all necessary details, and we have a repertoire of suggestions to enhance the ambience, cuisine and enjoyment of the occasion.

We look forward to any type of event, but generally our BBQ events fall into one of these categories:

- buffets
- served meals
- hors d’oeuvres
- upscale BBQ
- on site grilling and carving
- and unique experiences such as wine tastings, beer parings, games, and more...

The plan for a great event can start with the theme - here are some suggestions:

Americana - blue ribbon apple pie time - have a company baked goods contest (or ask us to bake the most amazing apple pie you’ve ever had.) And to go with all that baked goodness, an ice cream buffet come dessert time. Sack races, games, stick-ball, hot-dog eating contests, Dixieland - you get the picture.

Carnival - the smell of cotton candy and kettle corn fills the air, enjoy the taste of street food, and see acrobats, stilt-walkers, magicians, and more as you walk around the tents and game booths. Win a prize or simply soak up the atmosphere.

Dog Show - bring your pets and run them through an obstacle course. Or show off your dogs in your own company dog show. And be entertained by professional trainers with trick dogs.

Far-out - pull on the bell-bottoms and caftans and get psychedelic. Tofu, couscous, and okra will taste groovy even to the non-hippie (but don’t worry, we can embellish all that health food!) Think of all the great music options - live band or DJ. Anyone for henna tattoos, ping pong or macrame?



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Fiesta - your venue colorfully decorated to bring to mind a Mexican plaza. Build your own taco bar or an incredible sit-down meal with all the favorites. Strolling churro vendors, mariachi music, and piñatas for the kids *and* grown ups.

For the Players - coordinated team competitions - softball, volleyball, relays, etc. Fun and team building. We can provide all the equipment and a games master.

Home Run - hot dogs with all the fixin's, the smell of roasted peanuts, and your company's own softball tourney make a perfect summer BBQ event. Decor of baseball memorabilia and cracker jack boxes with customized treats. Play ball!

International Soiree - Italian opera singer, Chinese acrobats, Brazilian carnival dancers, Jamaican reggae band - and of course food to highlight a countries culture - or something from every continent.

Jolly Roger - who doesn't like dressing up like a pirate? Treasure hunts can be as simple as a "doubloon" hidden in a rum cake to a professionally organized geocaching contest or search for the hidden keys to the treasure chest.

Let the Games Begin - Name it and you can play it! We will coordinate the contests, serious or casual, and set you up with prizes for all competitors. Consider: relays, water balloon toss, human foosball, human bowling, obstacle courses. Laurel leaf crowns and a flag-raising for the winners? Sure, we can do that.

Mardi Gras - Mix the sound of the zydeco band with the incredible flavors of Bourbon Street and you and your guests will be transported to New Orleans. Colorful, sparkling bead necklaces for everyone!

Out of Africa - just like the safari of your dreams. Animals live or inflatable. Enjoy the exotic and spicy flavors of African BBQ and imported African beer.

Surfing USA - all the beach fun, but not necessarily on the beach - we can bring that to you. Sand, a surf rider, some Beach Boys, and a little imagination. And we'll serve up 1960's picnic favorites - presented on a long-board if you like.

Tropical Island - Learn how to hula, limbo, make a lei, or play a steel drum. The options in this theme are endless, laid-back, and entertaining. And of course the food, from Hawaiian to Caribbean, is delicious and perfectly suited to a BBQ event.

Yee Haw - circle around the chuck wagon for BBQ at it's best. Ribs, chili, cornbread and all the traditional country and western food we love. Enjoy roping contests, target practice, "bull riding" and a petting zoo. Live music from cowboy ballads, to honky tonk to bluegrass - so many options. And dancers of any skill level could square dance with a caller.

You Dream It - if you have a theme in mind, we can develop the event and provide catering, vendors and venue. Contact us and ask to speak to one of our event production experts. No request is too big or too small.



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Bring on the fun - here's some of our vendors, games and entertainment ideas:

Artist - fast cartoon caricature portraits of all your guests. A great souvenir of a great event.

Balloon Twisters - entertainment and a party gift.

Bands - name a style, and we'll find the perfect match for your event.

Bounce House - the kids will love it!

Bungee/Trampoline - reach 25 feet up! Spin and flip.

Carnival Arcade - all the faves! Mazes, targets, ball and bean bag tosses, bowl over pins, tip the clown, and of course, electronic basketball.

Clowns - roaming or the featured act. Music, tricks and fun.

Coffee Carts - hot or iced, traditional or flavored.

Donut Vendor - your guests will line up for this treat.

Dunk Tank - if you have a water source, this is the perfect opportunity to soak your co-workers.

Fortune Tellers - tarot card or palm readers. Costumed if you wish. They'll make a believer of you!

Giant Slip and Slide - pretty much describes itself!

Golf Blaster - computer and radar measure speed, trajectory and accuracy of a drive. Find out who in the company really has game and who's been bragging.

Giant Inflatable Slide - popular with kids aged 5 to 99. It's 30 feet of fun.

Human Bowling - one team member is in the giant inflatable bowling ball - the rest of the team rolls it down the lane to strike the pins.

Human Foosball - Full sized foosball arena - Players use a waist harness which their teammates use like foosball game controls.

Human Slingshot - who can stretch the bungee cords the furthest before being (safely and hilariously) pulled back down the lane.

Kids Area - licensed and fun supervisors will keep the kids safe and happy. Games can match the theme of the adult party, and can include: craft projects, bubble toys, piñatas, coloring, etc...

Miniature Golf - all the typical holes from bridges and ramps to the windmill - but brought to your party's location.

Obstacle Course - designed to suit any level from weekend warrior to Iron Man.

Petting Zoo - Not just for kids (even CXOs love a cute bunny, chicken or goat.) Giant petting zoos offer fifty animals and a large tent.

Photo Scavenger Hunt - follow the clues, get the winning photos and work as a team to get the shots that will win the prize.

Pony Rides - gentle and fun for the kids.

Popcorn or Kettle Corn - just the smell in the air sets a party atmosphere.

Sno-cone or shaved ice - all the most popular flavors - a perfect way to cool down.

Summo Wrestling - become a 450lb warrior in these suits and battle for the honor of your department.

Traditional Dancers - Hawaiian, Morris, Irish - a true celebration of a culture.

Treasure Hunt - customized to your event's theme.

Valet Parking - well not an entertainment, but your guests will appreciate this considerate service.