

CHURCHILL MUSEUM
and CABINET WAR ROOMS

Corporate Hospitality

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Winston Churchill is recognised as one of the greatest individuals ever to walk the course of British history. Today he is a figure admired throughout the world by statesmen and the man in the street alike. Nowhere is the scene of his Finest Hour better illustrated and more intimately experienced than at the Cabinet War Rooms. This basement storage area, converted for use in wartime, was where Churchill ran the country, waged war and inspired millions with his words... while outside the bombs rained down on London.

Today the Rooms have been preserved and restored and look just as they did when he last held court here. You can walk down the very corridors that Churchill walked, peer into the War Cabinet Room at the scene left as it was when he last met there, and marvel at the complex of the Map Room, abandoned in 1945 and left frozen in time.

In addition, the site now incorporates the Council of Europe prize-winning Churchill Museum, which Her Majesty The Queen opened in 2005. Its multi-media displays and unique historic exhibits provide a remarkable distraction and talking point.

The whole setting is the perfect scene in which to share Churchill's taste for a glass of cool, sophisticated Pol Roger champagne. Our caterers, Sodexo Prestige, will pour and serve you with canapés, buffets and dinners that the great man would be proud of... and on which I have no doubt he will look down, smiling.

PHIL REED OBE

Director

Churchill Museum and Cabinet War Rooms

To book your own piece of history call **020 7766 0134**, email **cwr@sodexo.com** or visit **iwm.org.uk/churchill**





Entertain with a difference by holding your event in the Churchill Museum and Cabinet War Rooms, the preserved historic site underneath Westminster, where Winston Churchill and his War Cabinet met and took momentous decisions in the dark days of the 1940's.

Accommodating events for 10 to 350 people, the Churchill Museum and Cabinet War Rooms offer all modern facilities at a venue redolent of history.

THE HARMSWORTH ROOM

Recently redesigned and refitted, the Harmsworth Room offers you the opportunity to stage an event in a historic setting steeped in the atmosphere of a wartime secret HQ, with all the comforts of a modern venue. It is the perfect space for boardroom meetings, drinks receptions, intimate dinners and lavish banquets.

THE HCA AUDITORIUM

Sited underground and adjacent to the award-winning Churchill Museum, the HCA Auditorium offers the versatility of a modern meeting space, but with the added excitement of its period feel, historic resonance and high tech audio-visual facilities. In air-conditioned comfort, it offers space for up to 150 people to hold a conference, a product launch or a party under six feet of concrete and steel... without having to worry about the noise!

THE SWITCH ROOM

A new addition to our arsenal, this room is perfect for smaller intimate receptions or as a fine dining space for up to 25 guests. The Switch Room is also an extremely popular venue for breakfast events.





CONFERENCES, MEETINGS AND PRESENTATIONS

Book your conference or meeting at the Churchill Museum and Cabinet War Rooms and create an event that is truly unique. Our function rooms are located at the centre of this historic venue and your guests are free to explore its every facet.

Don't be fooled by the historic surroundings: although the Harmsworth Room and the HCA Auditorium are designed to reflect their setting aesthetically, both are equipped with the most up-to-date audio-visual facilities and supervised by our in-house AV team. Both rooms offer great versatility to meet the needs of almost any event.

We can tailor the menu to your individual requirements or you can choose from one of our Day Delegate Packages. We also offer guests champagne and strawberries as part of our summer picnic packages in St. James's Park

BANQUETS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

At the Churchill Museum and Cabinet War Rooms, we believe that each event is different and client's needs and requirements come first. We welcome menu suggestions; let our chef create a meal that is bespoke to your needs.

Options for menus vary from modern haute cuisine and canapés to recipes based on wartime cookery, done with a twist and using modern ingredients to update them from their meagre period equivalents.

FINE DINING

We are pleased to announce the addition of a Fine Dining Menu for intimate dinners for up to 25 persons. This stunning yet unpretentious menu reflects our commitment to quality, flavour and provenance - food that boasts itself.

"From farm to fork with as little
in between as possible."





CORPORATE RECEPTIONS

What sets receptions at the Churchill Museum and Cabinet War Rooms apart from those at any other venue? Here your guests will have the opportunity to experience first class service, drink great wines and taste fine food, as they immerse themselves in one of Britain's most important historic sites.

BUSINESS BREAKFASTS

Start the day in style! We offer superb breakfast canapés, buffets and champagne breakfasts for your early morning meetings, presentations, product launches and press breakfasts. This is perfect for entertaining your most important clients without interrupting their busy schedules - all of this before the day has really started!



Enhance your experience at the Churchill Museum and Cabinet War Rooms with these additional services:

Major Ashton Wade and Miss Margaret Hughes

Our 1940's re-enactors recreate the new recruit induction procedure in an educational but comical way. The 'brief' lasts approximately twenty minutes and is ideal to kick off any event. Major Wade and Miss Hughes meet and greet guests on arrival from the front door and instructions are bellowed out from there.

Photo Opportunity in the Cabinet Room

Have your photo taken in the historic setting of the War Cabinet Room in which Winston Churchill declared, "This is the room from which I will direct the War". From 1940 until 1945 Winston Churchill and his War Cabinet met over 100 hundred times in the Cabinet Room, working through heavy air raids and taking momentous decisions in their stand against Nazi Germany. After the War the room lay perfectly preserved and is today exactly as it was during the 1940's.

Celia Sandys, granddaughter of Sir Winston Churchill.

After-dinner Speaker

Celia Sandys offers unparalleled knowledge on aspects of Churchill's life. She was twenty-one when he died, spent many of her school holidays with her grandparents and was her grandfather's travelling companion on a number of his later journeys. Celia travels the world speaking about her memories of her grandfather and his inspiring leadership and is herself an inspirational speaker.

Guided Tours and Expert Speakers

Tours are available for groups of up to 20 people. For bigger groups we recommend a talk by an expert speaker in the function room. Guests are given an historic overview of the events that happened here including anecdotes about Churchill. Talks can be tailor-made for each event and are an informative and entertaining diversion for your guests.

Duck Tours and Bateaux London

Be collected, transferred or dropped off by these authentic 1940's vehicles. Painted bright yellow, the amphibian ducks can take guests on land and water, an excellent and unusual way for people to arrive at any function. For larger parties why not choose a luxury Thames cruise or a transfer along the river on one of Bateaux London's vessels including the glass-encased Symphony.

Military Paraphernalia

Decorate the function room and add more character with netting, gas masks, billy cans, authentic trunks and sandbags.

Staff in Military or 1940's dress

Dress up our waiting staff in military and 1940's dress.

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