

## Enchanting Afternoon Tea Experience Inspired by The Wizard of Oz Debuts at The Lobby Lounge, Regent Hong Kong



30 July, 2024 (HKSAR) – Step into the magical world of Oz in The Lobby Lounge at Regent Hong Kong, where a captivating *The Wizard of Oz*-inspired afternoon tea set awaits your discovery from 12 August to 13 October. Inspired by the beloved classic tale and Hong Kong Ballet's upcoming Asian premiere from 30 August to 1 September, this enchanting afternoon tea experience will captivate children and adults alike, recreating a sense of whimsy and wonder as it transports guests to the vibrant magical Land of Oz. This summer give your friends and family a sumptuous tea set along with an exhilarating performance of *The Wizard of Oz*.

### Afternoon Tea in the Land of Oz

Revel in panoramic views of iconic Victoria Harbour as you join Dorothy, the Scarecrow, Tin Man and the Cowardly Lion as they set out on an adventure to Emerald City to find the Wizard of Oz and triumph over the Wicked Witch. The afternoon tea set features a symphony of sweet and savoury delights, each meticulously crafted to represent the beloved characters and moments from the adored tale. Enter this timeless world of magic and wonder, where the unbreakable bonds of family and friendship will warm your heart and leave you cherishing the moments shared with loved ones.

Setting the scene for your adventure, the subtle aroma of jasmine - fills the air in The Lobby Lounge, transporting you to the mystical forest leading to the Land of Oz. While indulging in this culinary journey, let the jewel-inspired pastries, masterfully created by Executive Pastry Chef Andy Yeung and his talented team, ignite your imagination:

- The **Lemon** confection, a tribute to young **Dorothy** and the iconic blue gingham dress she wore on her journey down the Yellow Brick Road. Lemon confit crafted with locally sourced lemons and fresh mint is wrapped in ivory chocolate whipped ganache and topped with a layer of yuzu cream.
- The **Honey** sponge cake made with awarding-winning, locally produced honey and citrus coulis pays homage to the **Cowardly Lion**.
- The **Cacao** creation delights with its diverse textures that include cacao sponge, Valrhona 66% Caraïbe dark chocolate and caramelised cacao nibs. A little red heart candy on top represents the **Tin Man**'s determined search for a heart.

Complementing the artisanal pastries are a selection of finger sandwiches crafted by The Lobby Lounge Head Chef Rajiv Chowdhoory. These include Blue Crab and Pomelo, Egg and Gueldenstaedtii Caviar, Smoked Salmon and Cream Cheese, as well as Chicken Ballotine and Truffle Mayonnaise.

Afternoon Tea in the Land of Oz is further elevated with freshly baked scones and madeleines served with clotted cream and homemade oolong peach jam and apricot jam. Thirst quenching add-ons to enhance the imaginary journey include the **Yellow Brick Road** cocktail, a refreshing blend of tequila, chamomile tea, passion fruit syrup and lemon juice and the **Tornado** mocktail, a harmonious mix of vanilla rooibos tea, strawberry syrup and lemon juice.

Available from 12 August to 13 October, Afternoon Tea in the Land of Oz is priced at HK\$888 for two people. Hong Kong Ballet ticketholders can present their The Wizard of Oz tickets to enjoy a 10% discount on the Afternoon Tea Set, supporting Hong Kong Ballet and the dancers in realising their dreams.

#### **Discovery Box in the Land of Oz**

Homemade with the finest premium ingredients, the Wizard of Oz pastry creations are a delectable extension of the heart-warming tale. Savour the harmonious flavours of Honey, Lemon, Cacao, Raspberry and Vanilla - each meticulously crafted to evoke the show's signature characters.

The Raspberry, a delicate and alluring creation, symbolizes the kind and considerate Scarecrow. Complementing the jewel-like pastries in the discovery box is the Vanilla creation, a masterpiece of refined elegance representing the graceful Hong Kong Ballet dancers.

Bring the magic of Emerald City home and share special moments with friends and family while indulging in these exquisite delights. Let the flavours linger as you cherish the inspiring journey with loved ones before or after Hong Kong Ballet's *The Wizard of Oz* performance.

Reservations for The Lobby Lounge Afternoon Tea in the Land of Oz can be made via the online booking platform at <u>https://hongkong.regenthotels.com/</u>. For dining enquiries, kindly contact Restaurant Reservations at <u>dining.regenthk@ihg.com</u> or call + 852 2313 2313.

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## Appendix

# The Lobby Lounge

## Afternoon Tea in the Land of Oz

Dates: 12 August 2024 to 13 October 2024

Times: Monday to Friday – 3:00pm to 6:00pm

Saturday, Sunday & Public Holidays -

12 noon to 3:00 pm (1st seating) | 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm (2nd seating)

Price: HK\$888+10% service charge for two people / HK\$488+10% service charge for one person Served with your choice of tea or freshly brewed coffee

## Hong Kong Ballet

## The Wizard of Oz Asian premiere

Dates and Times: 30 August 2024 (Friday) 7:30pm

31 August 2024 and 1 September 2024 (Saturday & Sunday) 2:30pm & 7:30pm Location: Grand Theatre, Hong Kong Cultural Centre

Ticket Prices: HK\$1,000 (limited VIP tickets) | HK\$ 80 | HK\$480 | HK\$320 | HK\$180

Tickets are available at URBTIX

Half price for local full-time students and senior citizens (excluding limited VIP tickets)

Images can be downloaded at: <u>https://hongkong.regenthotels.com/image-video-gallery/afternoon-tea-in-the-land-of-oz</u>

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#### About Hong Kong Ballet

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