

RESERVED SEATING



CHURCHILL DOWNS

ALL-INCLUSIVE SEATING

2021 KENTUCKY DERBY, OAKS & DERBY WEEK

NEW FOR THURBY, OAKS, DERBY 2021

All-Inclusive Seating

For the 2021 Kentucky Derby and Oaks, all reserved seating (clubhouse boxes and grandstand boxes & bleachers) will include food, non-alcoholic beverages and alcoholic beverages.

For Thurby 2021, all reserved seating will include food and non-alcoholic beverages.

There will be three different types of food offered:

- Traditional Items
- Unique Items
- Small bites & handheld items

Responsible alcohol service guidelines, as always, remain in place.

Pricing applies to all patrons including those under 21 years of age and those who prefer non-alcoholic beverages.

Sample Menu & Beverages

The information below is representative; a full 2021 menu will be available closer to the event date. Item availability may vary depending on location.

Sample Menu:

Hot Dogs
Jumbo Jalapeno Cheddar Sausages
Cheesy Bratwurst
Classic Bratwurst
Classic Cheeseburger
Veggie Burger
Bourbon Burger
BLT Salad
Pizza
Meatball Sub
Burrito Bowl
Street Tacos
Smoked Brisket Sandwich
Nachos
Pulled Pork
Pulled Chicken
Lobster Rolls
Pretzels
Hamburgers
Popcorn
Pizza
Chicken Tenders & Waffle Fries
Chicken and Waffle Sandwich
Buffalo Chicken Tenders

Beverage Package Includes:

Liquors

Woodford
Old Forester
Finlandia
El Jimador
Old Forester Mint Julep
Scotch
Rum
Gin

Wine

Kendall-Jackson Chardonnay
Kendall-Jackson Pinot Noir
White Zinfandel

Beer

Budweiser
Bud Light
Blue Moon
White Claw
Coors Light
Miller Light

Sodas & Water

Coke
Diet Coke
Sprite
Dasani
Club
Tonic

Mixers

Bloody Mary
Lily
Margarita
Sweet/Sour

Juices

Cranberry
Orange
Grapefruit
Pineapple

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why are you making this change to an all-inclusive ticket?

We continually strive to make your overall experience more enjoyable and work to ensure the highest level of safety for our guests and our team. An all-inclusive option allows us to improve your experience by reducing the amount of time spent in line, eliminating the need to carry extra cash for food and beverages, and avoiding the hassle of paying for every transaction. You will also be afforded the opportunity to try a greater variety of food including past favorites and exciting new additions, while enjoying a full premium beverage selection.

Food & Beverage Offerings

Will my favorite foods still be available? Will there be new food options? Will there be local features?

Your favorite, traditional concession food items will be available. And, as in past years, we will continue to introduce new food options for you to try. Our menu is Kentucky Proud and will offer a mix of local flavors and unique items from small, specialty vendors.

Where will food and beverages be available?

Food and drinks will be available in each of our traditional food service areas and bar locations. Additionally, we will have service staff – similar to the beverage vendors who visited your seat in past years - distributing food and beverage items throughout all reserved seating locations.

Will you have dessert options available? If so, what type?

Our concession menus do offer dessert items at select locations across the facility. Dessert items include novelty ice cream, ice cream sundaes, waffle cones, cookies, dessert bars, brownies, cotton candy, and funnel cakes.

What food offerings will be included for people with food allergies, or special diet restrictions?

If you have a dietary restriction, please let us know. We will have a catering manager and/or culinarian speak with you, to better understand and satisfy your needs.

Will there continue to be different types of food offerings in the premium areas other than what is offered on the first and second floors?

Yes, the dining rooms and private suites will continue to have similar menus as in past years, which are different than the offerings included within the reserved outdoor seat locations.

Will I still be able to bring my own food in?

Yes, you may continue to bring your own food into the facility on Oaks Day and Derby Day. There is no change to this policy as long as packaging guidelines are followed.

Are premium liquor options part of the all-inclusive package?

Yes, liquor is included within the all-inclusive package. We will offer the same liquor options as in previous years including several premium brands. The only item not included in the all-inclusive package is champagne. Guests will pay additional for a la carte champagne purchases, and cash or credit card is accepted.

Are beers in bottles, cans, or draft?

Serving methods will vary by location. Some locations will have beer in cans, some will offer aluminum bottles, and others will serve draft. No glass bottles will be available for safety reasons.

Will liquor options include Mint Juleps or Oaks Lily drinks served in commemorative glassware?

Yes, these traditional options will be available, served in souvenir glassware, and included within the all-inclusive package.

Will we have a choice of soft drinks?

Yes, there will be a variety of soft drinks available.

Will you have coffee or hot chocolate as drink options?

Yes, both will be available.

Service Questions

What food areas will be available and will there be maps of what is offered and where?

As part of past renovations, Churchill Downs expanded food service, concession areas and bar locations to improve service convenience. We will have a similar layout of food service areas as in prior years, and each station will offer a mixture of concession and novelty items. Maps and way-finding tools are available to help guests find concessions nearest to their seat.

What will the times be for food service?

Service Times will be from 10am – 6pm daily in the dining rooms. Concessions will be open from 10am – the post time of last race.

What are the limits on per trip grabs – limit 2 beers/trip? One or two mixed drinks at a time?

We will practice the same responsible alcohol service as in prior years. Only 2 alcoholic drinks can be served to an individual guest at one time, according to state law.

When is last call for alcohol?

To ensure responsible alcohol service, alcohol cutoff will remain the same as prior years which is at the “Call to the Post” for the 2nd to last race.

How will we carry food and beverage items back to our seats?

Food packaging and service trays will be available to assist carrying items back to your seat.

How do we best manage long lines given social distancing practices?

Our team has carefully placed social distance stickers/markers/decals to help guide guests on where to safely stand in service lines. We ask all guests to be cognizant of those markings and to keep a safe distance from others. Additionally, we anticipate lesser and quicker lines by eliminating payment transactions and by offering passed food and beverage service to guests in their seats.

What are you going to do if the food stations near my box seat run out of food or liquor options?

Food and beverage items will not run out. Our service team works continuously to restock and replenish items that may be running low throughout the day.

Will there be adequate food stations and bars to serve me in the Grandstand area that are close to my seat?

Yes, we have a wide range of stands and offerings throughout the facility. Maps and way-finding tools are available to help guests find the nearest service location to their seat.

Will I order food or will there only be “grab-and-go” options?

As in prior years, you will place your order at a concession stand, and it will be handed to you. All additional safety precautions due to COVID will be in place (packaged food, tableware, individual condiments, etc.).

Tips, Service Charges, Tax – do I have to pay for these out of pocket?

No. Everything is included in the cost of your ticket. Leaving an additional gratuity for outstanding service is always appreciated, but certainly not expected.

Will guests in Dining Rooms be able to get free food & beverages at the concession stands?

Yes, guests in dining and suite areas are able to visit the food service areas and bar locations for food and beverage service at no additional cost.

I usually buy my Mint Julep/Lily/beer from a vendor walking around the seats. Will vendors be distributing drinks in the stands?

Yes, we will continue to have vendors and service staff roaming the stands to offer you food and beverage. All is included within your package. Additional staff will be available to ensure timely service.

Will any food items be passed out in the stands?

Yes, we will have vendors passing out food as well as beverages.

Is CDRT encouraging people to drink more?

We are not encouraging people to drink more alcohol. We are focusing on improving the guest experience by reducing wait times in line as well as reducing the transaction touch points at concession stands. We will still be closely monitoring alcohol consumption and will be adhering to all safe alcohol policies as well as state laws.

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Items and guidelines are subject to change without notice