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AUCKLAND BOTANIC GARDENS

FREE

## MIKO WINTER MENU

*Mouth Watering Meals*

### Brunch-Lunch Menu

**Miko's Big Breakfast** \$24  
(AVAILABLE TILL NOON)

Toasted bread, free range eggs, bacon, kransky sausage, house made baked beans, potato herb rosti & vine tomato.

**French Toast** \$22  
Brioche toast with fruit compote, finished with Greek yoghurt & maple syrup.

**Eggs Benedict** \$21  
(gf & veg option available)  
Bacon or Salmon  
With spinach, poached eggs, served on a potato rosti, topped with hollandaise sauce.

**Winter Warmer-Mince on Toast** \$19  
Mince on artisan five grain toast, topped with a poached egg.

**Pork Belly** \$24  
Slow roasted pork belly with skordalia, pumpkin mash, finished with jus.

**Pai's Thai Green Chicken Curry** \$23  
Served with seasonal vegetables & jasmine rice.

**Beef Nachos** \$22  
Corn chips, layered with beef mince, chilli beans & cheese. Oven baked & topped with sour cream & fresh tomato salsa.

**Fish Burger** \$22  
Lettuce, tomato, lemon garlic mayo. Served in a toasted bun, with fries.

**Crispy Chicken Burger** \$22  
With a winter honey mustard mayo slaw, lettuce, gruyere. Served in a toasted bun with fries.

**From the Gardens, Vegan Burger** \$22  
Chef's hand-crafted vegetable fritter, lettuce, tomato & chermoula mayo. Served in a toasted bun with fries.

**EXTRA  
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Bacon \$4  
Egg \$3  
Hash brown \$4  
Mushrooms \$5  
Grilled tomato \$4  
Toast \$4  
Kransky \$4

**Wedges** \$10

**Wedges with Bacon & Cheese** \$18.50

**Fries with aioli** \$9.50



**Pizza  
Lover**

**Hand Crafted  
Miko Pizza**

**Pizza** \$22  
(all thin crust with a tomato sauce base)

**Hawaiian** – Pineapple, ham, topped with mozzarella cheese.

**Chicken** – with spinach, cream cheese, topped with mozzarella cheese.

**Vegetarian** – Spinach, mushroom, red onion & mozzarella cheese.

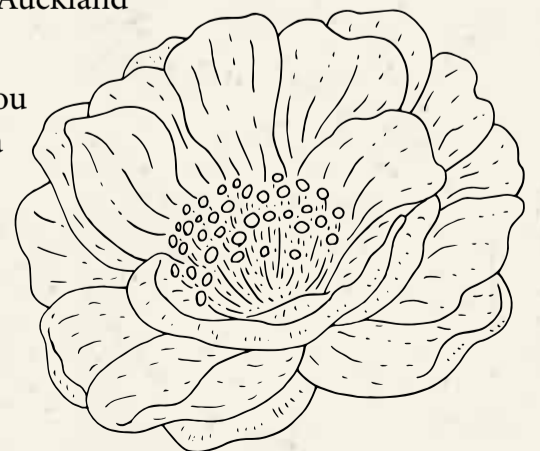
*Gluten free options are available,  
please ask wait staff*



## INCREDIBLE EDIBLES

If you have always wanted to grow food but never knew where to start, or are looking for some new ideas, visit the Auckland Botanic Gardens' Edible Garden. We display a range of productive plants – from traditional Kiwi vegetables to more unusual or heritage varieties from around the world – get inspired and add some new elements to your dinner. Food harvested directly from the garden is better for you, tastes great and generally costs less! All the plants we grow thrive in Auckland conditions – and you can grow food easily in Auckland throughout the year.

In the Edible Garden discover the multitude of ways you can grow food: against walls, as a hedge, in the form of a 'food forest', in raised boxes, pots and recycled containers. The fruit and vegetables in the Edible Garden glow with health and vitality. The garden is organic – we don't use any artificial inputs (chemical fertilisers or chemical sprays). Learn how you can create a healthy garden by building biodiversity and making your own compost and fertilisers; healthy soil – healthy plants – healthy people.



# BEVERAGE LIST

## White Wine \$9.50gls \$38btl

Tohu Hawkes Bay Chardonnay  
Tohu Marlborough Pinot Gris  
Tohu Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc

## Red Wine \$9.50gls \$39btl

Oyster Bay Merlot  
Ara Pathway Marlborough Pinot Noir

## Sparkling Wine

Brancott Estate \$40btl  
Lindauer Piccolo \$11

## Tap Beer/Cider

Isaacs Apple Cider \$11  
Monteiths Three Wolves \$11

## Bottled Beer

Amstel Light \$8.50  
Steinlager Pure \$9.50  
Heineken \$9.50  
Stella Artois \$9.50  
Monteiths Original \$9.50  
Corona \$9.50

*Non Alcoholic  
beverages available*



# A WINTER FAVOURITE, CAMELLIAS

If you are in search of a special destination for a reviving autumnal / wintery walk – the Camellia Garden is an annual favourite at Auckland Botanic Gardens.

At a time of year when things can get a little grey, come and enjoy the vibrant flowering of the largest collection of camellias in New Zealand. Camellias originated in Asia and this tranquil, meditative garden is designed with their heritage in mind – wander the paths and be transported to temple woodlands of Japan or China.

The camellias are complemented by a variety of trees, shrubs and perennials of mainly East Asian origin. Other highlights are the linear foliage of the clivias contrasted against the autumnal colours of the acers. And in early spring, the flowering carpet of hellebores. If there is something that catches your eye, all the plants have been trialled successfully and could potentially grow in your Auckland home garden.

This collection is constantly evolving – Auckland Botanic Gardens aims to continue to inspire gardeners whatever the situation of their home gardens – there is a range of camellias suitable for hedging, espalier, in containers and for fragrance!



# MAGNIFICENT MAGNOLIA

The abundant blooms of magnolias are stunning contrasted against dark foliage, bare branches and a high winter sky. Like its neighbour the Camellia Garden, this garden is a highlight of a winter or spring visit to Auckland Botanic Gardens. Come and marvel at the strong yet delicate ancient perfection of the magnolia blooms which range in colour from pure white to pinks to deep purple black, some scented and some larger than your dinner plate.

The Magnolia Garden is divided into two areas. One, next to the Camellia Garden, is a continuation of a dappled woodland walk with shrubs and perennials of mainly Eastern Asian origin. In the second you will find large specimen magnolias in a lawn setting – perfect for a shady spring or summer picnic. As with many of the other plants that have been successfully trialled here at the Botanic Gardens – all of this collection could potentially grow in your Auckland home garden. But please take note of potential size – as befits their evolutionary age – some varieties can reach a large stature!

Magnolias originate in East and Southeast Asia with a secondary centre in the Americas and West Indies. Other members of Magnoliaceae that are represented in this garden include Michelia and Manglietia. If you are interested to differentiate magnolias and michelias: magnolias carry their flowers on their branch tips and are real feature trees, but michelias carry their flowers on leaf axils and are therefore more of a clippable background plant (with delicious fragrant flowers).

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