



Case study: Queen's Golden and Diamond jubilee garden parties

Trinity provided a complete food and beverage service to the Queen's Golden and Diamond Jubilee celebrations at Balmoral Castle, Royal Deeside, Scotland. Both events saw attendance of some 3,000 guests, and 500 staff and performers. Both occasions were great successes, and allowed Trinity International Services to add Her Majesty to its client list.

The precise timings, logistics and high level of security involved in the organisation of these events made catering to a Royal Garden Party an equally special and complex. Serving the Queen, her immediate family and honoured guests on the lawns of Balmoral Castle has been among Trinity's most rewarding projects.





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The day of a Royal Garden Party represents the culmination of months of planning. All of the produce is local, and arrives on site early in the morning. Robust contingency plans need to be in place to cover every possible external eventuality, and proved to be necessary to ensure Trinity's high service standards were met.

Senior pupils from local schools in Aboyne, Banchory and Cults were recruited, trained in food hygiene and how to serve, and clear-down, for these special events.

Commemorative Jubilee shortbread was commissioned for each of the Queen's garden parties. Trinity's team of qualified, seasoned-professional chefs prepared all of the food, ensuring quality and presentation met our exacting expectations.

Trinity also sponsors the Braemar, and Lonach Highland Gatherings, and supports the Royal Household's chefs at two "Ghillies' Ball" events held each year at Balmoral Castle.





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Scope of Work

- Design, specification and preparation of all menu items.
- Source and arrange the delivery of all ingredients using North East produce.
- Arrange the hire and delivery of table linen, crockery, cutlery, service and glassware.
- Interview, select, train and organise all members of staff plus arrange unbadged uniforms. On the day our staff were part of the Royal Household and therefore there was no Trinity branding.
- Arrange security clearance for all personnel.
- Arrange transportation to site of equipment, prepared food and all service staff.
- Provide additional catering for marquee staff, band members, security staff (Police + Royal Company of Archers), drivers and emergency maintenance staff, a total of just over 500.
- Fully clear up the lawn and depart Balmoral Castle grounds no later than 10.00pm

Crockery & Cutlery	20,000 items
Rolls & Sandwiches	18,000 various fillings
Cakes & French Fancies	14,000 assorted
Trinity Staff	41 preparation staff
Local Secondary Schools	74 high school pupils



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