

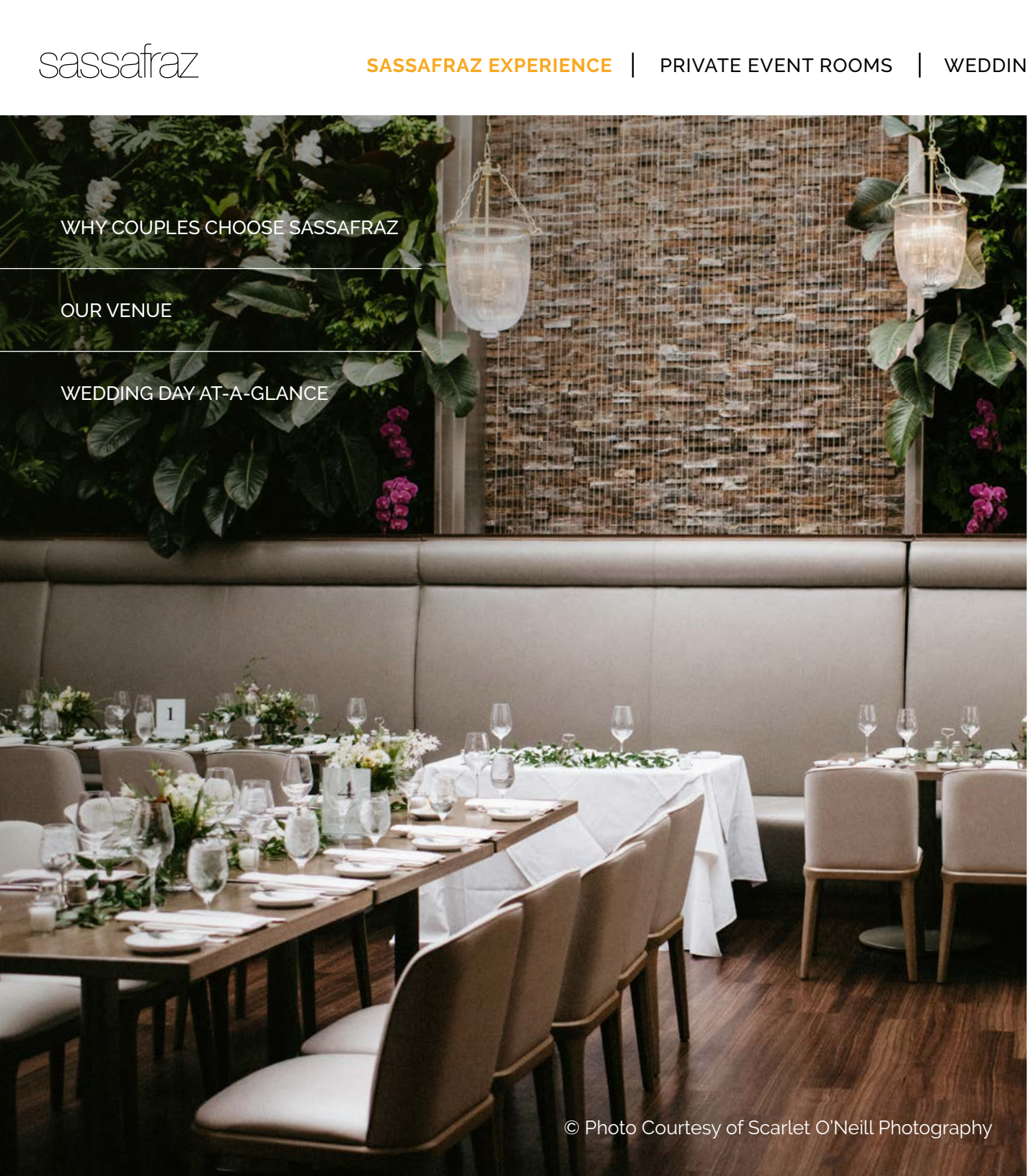
A full-page photograph of a bride and groom smiling joyfully. The bride is on the left, wearing a white veil and a strapless wedding dress, holding a bouquet of red and pink flowers. The groom is on the right, wearing a dark blue suit with a light blue shirt and a dark tie. White flower petals are falling all around them, creating a romantic and celebratory atmosphere. The background is softly blurred, suggesting an outdoor setting.

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# sassafras weddings

SASSAFRAZ EXPERIENCE | PRIVATE EVENT ROOMS | WEDDING PLANNING



A photograph of a restaurant interior. In the foreground, several wooden tables are set with white linens, glassware, and plates. The tables are surrounded by light-colored upholstered chairs. In the background, a large wall is covered in lush green orchids and other plants. Two large, white, hurricane-style lanterns hang from the ceiling. The floor is made of dark wood.

WHY COUPLES CHOOSE SASSAFRAZ

OUR VENUE

WEDDING DAY AT-A-GLANCE

## your wedding your style

Celebrate "I do" at Sassafras Restaurant, an ideal choice for contemporary and intimate weddings of 30 to 150 guests.

Located in the heart of Yorkville, the iconic house and its romantic interior make it one of the most stunning restaurants in Toronto. Shimmering hurricane lanterns and an exquisite orchid wall frame magically intimate moments. The landmark Sassafras hosts memories to last a lifetime.

Our events staff will carefully assist you with all of your wedding details, from helping you select your individual menu to ensuring that every element is perfect when it's time to walk down the aisle. We've expertly designed our weddings to provide you with a full-service experience to help you craft the day you've always imagined.





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## why couples choose sassafraz

### IT'S PERFECT FOR AN INTIMATE WEDDING

The romantic dining room, flawless service, impeccable attention to detail, delicious food and great ambiance make our venue a top choice for Toronto couples. If you prefer to have a personal and intimate wedding, Sassafraz is the ideal choice for your big day. Depending on the size of your guest list, you can book a private room or reserve the entire restaurant.

### SUPERB CUISINE AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

We're passionate about offering a personalized food experience that you and your guests won't forget. All wedding cuisine is handled in-house by Executive Chef Geoff Webb. Our menu focuses on market-fresh ingredients, and our cuisine is cooked "on demand," which means your guests can choose from a custom menu. The dishes on our event menus are identical to those on our à la carte dining menu – same plate, same presentation, same taste. Our bartenders and wait staff are all highly trained service industry professionals.

### SAVE ON THE VENUE RENTAL FEE

Sassafraz does not charge a rental fee, eliminating a significant cost from your wedding budget (minimum food and beverage spends apply).

### SHOW OFF YOUR STYLE

You want to make your wedding personal for

your guests. Sassafraz has a simple and elegant décor that can stand alone or act as a canvas for your own personal style and taste.

### A SINGLE LOCATION – RAIN OR SHINE

There are many reasons to host your wedding ceremony and reception in a single location – the weather (think about your hair!) is just one of them. As well, guests won't need to travel between locations and neither will your wedding party, allowing you to spend more time with family and friends. You can also have a later ceremony because you won't need as much time to transition between the ceremony and reception venues.

### HOST A ROMANTIC WINTER WEDDING

Sassafraz boasts a living garden wall, complete with live orchids and spectacular greenery. It provides an impressive backdrop for dinner, speeches and photographs in any season.

### A MID-DAY WEDDING IS AN OPTION

Booking a mid-day wedding can be both time-efficient and cost-effective. If you book a lunch wedding, you'll enjoy the same fabulous food and ambiance but your overall spend will be lower.

### RELIVE THE MOMENT

Imagine returning to the place where you shared your first moments as a married couple to relive the magic over and over again. Many of our returning wedding couples request "our table" for an anniversary, a birthday celebration or a romantic night out.



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## our venue

### CAPACITY

We offer 3 event spaces – the main dining room (first floor) and two private rooms (second floor). The main dining room can accommodate a maximum of 150 guests for a seated event or 200 guests for a standing cocktail reception. For a wedding ceremony on site, the private dining rooms combined can accommodate a maximum of 80 seated with standing room for cocktails .

### NO RENTAL FEE

There is no charge to use the space, provided the minimum food and beverage expenditure is met. Please note: an 20% surcharge (15% auto-gratuity plus a 5% operational fee) will be applied to all food, beverage, and minimum spend offset fees; plus applicable government taxes.

### MINIMUM SPEND REQUIREMENTS

The room minimums are based on food and beverage combined, exclusive of tax and 20% surcharge (15% auto-gratuity plus 5% operational fee). If the minimum spend requirement is not met, the difference will appear as a minimum spend offset fee on the final bill.

### RESTAURANT BUY-OUT

The main dining room is available for exclusive buy-outs with minimum food and drinks spend. Please note: the S-Café is not included.

### COMPLIMENTARY SERVICES

- In-house Events Manager to assist with pre-wedding planning and on-site management related to Sassafras (venue only)
- Menu tasting (maximum two people)\*
- Set-up and clean-up
- Serving staff
- Bridal washroom
- VIP balcony for bridal party
- Existing tables and chairs
- Standard table flatware and glassware
- Votive candles
- Standard white napkins
- Standard white table linens (private room only)
- Printed personalized menus at each place setting
- Table numbers
- Flat panel, audio-visual screen (private room only)
- Cordless microphone (private room only)
- High top tables (private room only)
- Easel

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\*Charges will apply to menu tasting for more than 2 people, maximum of 6 allowed





## wedding day at-a-glance

We are passionate about creating the best experience for you and your guests. This gallery walks you through a classic wedding day at

sassafraz

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DINING ROOM (FIRST FLOOR)

BELLAIR ROOM (SECOND FLOOR)

CUMBERLAND ROOM (SECOND FLOOR)

FLOOR PLANS

## private event rooms

Nothing says "city chic" like getting married in a restaurant. Imagine your perfect downtown wedding, then let us make it happen at Sassafras. The ultimate in urban sophistication, here you will discover a variety of possibilities for your wedding celebration.



DINING ROOM (FIRST FLOOR)

BELLAIR ROOM (SECOND FLOOR)

CUMBERLAND ROOM (SECOND FLOOR)

FLOOR PLANS

dining room 360° view

## dining room

Our cosy and intimate dining room can accommodate up to 150 guests seated and up to 200 guests cocktail style.



DINING ROOM (FIRST FLOOR)

BELLAIR ROOM (SECOND FLOOR)

CUMBERLAND ROOM (SECOND FLOOR)

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bellair room 360° view

## bellair room

Situated on the second level (barrier-free access), our well-appointed private event space comprises the Bellair and Cumberland rooms. The space can be used separately (with stunning floor to ceiling decorative frosted glass panels) or combined. This room has formal presentation abilities and can accommodate up to 32 guests seated and up to 60 guests cocktail style.



DINING ROOM (FIRST FLOOR)

BELLAIR ROOM (SECOND FLOOR)

CUMBERLAND ROOM (SECOND FLOOR)

FLOOR PLANS

cumberland room 360° view

## cumberland room

This room can accommodate up to 72 guests seated and up to 100 guests cocktail style. The Cumberland and Bellair rooms can be combined to host a wedding for up to 80 guests seated, and up to 200 guests cocktail style.



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BELLAIR ROOM (SECOND FLOOR)

CUMBERLAND ROOM (SECOND FLOOR)

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first floor

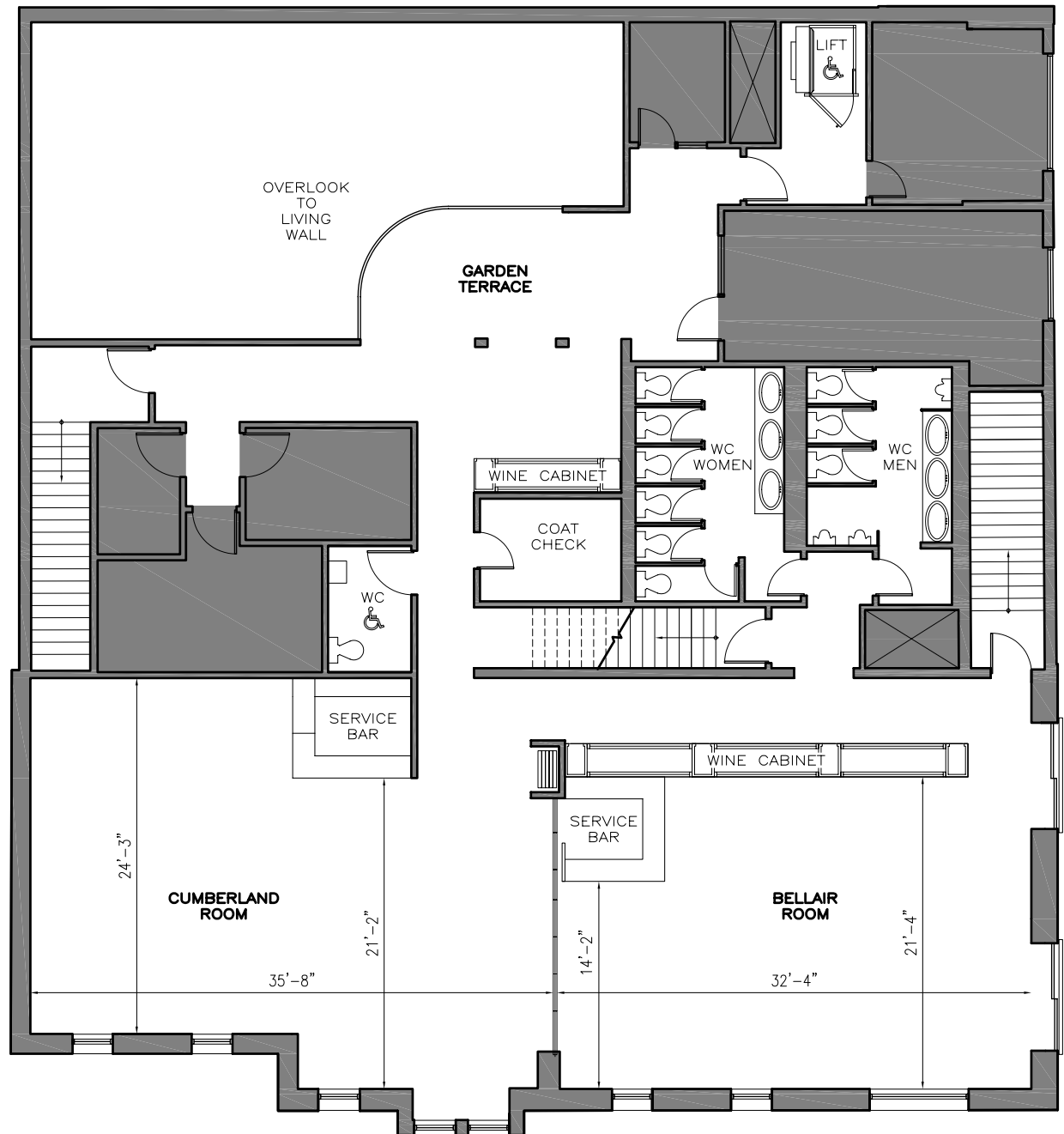


DINING ROOM (FIRST FLOOR)

BELLAIR ROOM (SECOND FLOOR)

CUMBERLAND ROOM (SECOND FLOOR)

## FLOOR PLANS



second floor



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CUISINE

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PLANNING DETAILS

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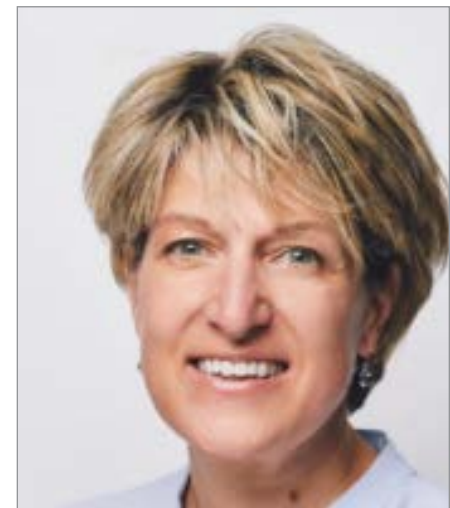
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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## wedding planning

Your wedding is one of the most important days of your life and we don't take that responsibility lightly. Dennette Schott, our Events Manager, will be your dedicated planner from initial communication, site visits and throughout the planning process right up to the big day. Dennette has planned hundreds of weddings for special event venues. She will be on the premises of Sassafraz throughout your entire wedding day to ensure that everything goes smoothly.



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[www.sassafras.ca/event-inquiry](http://www.sassafras.ca/event-inquiry)



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Gianonne Farms chicken supreme

## cuisine

Our elegant wedding menus focus on market-fresh ingredients to provide you and your guests with an experience that's both delicious and memorable. Developed exclusively by Executive Chef Geoff Webb, our *Wedding Food & Drink Bundles* remove the budgeting guesswork while retaining the restaurant dining experience. Custom menus are placed at each setting; servers will take each guest's order directly. All dishes are exactly the same as those on our à la carte dining menu.



WEDDING FOOD &amp; DRINK BUNDLES ▶



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## planning details

### HOW ARE BEVERAGE AND WINE COSTS MANAGED?

We offer several carefully curated *Food & Drink Bundles*; please speak to our Events Manager. As an alternative, beverages (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) can be charged based upon consumption per drink, plus tax and gratuity. Wines are selected from our current list and charged per bottle. Bar offerings can be tailored with our Events Manager.

### HOW IS THE MENU DETERMINED?

All food items for private events are selected from our current seasonal menu package. You are able to interchange items between each menu – prices will be adjusted accordingly. Food items are subject to current market prices. Our Events Manager can assist you with tailoring your selections for the best guest experience.

### CAN I HAVE A SLIDESHOW OR PRESENTATION?

Yes. Please note that adding audio-visual equipment may alter the room capacity and sightlines.

### DO YOU SUPPLY AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT?

We have a 60-inch wall mounted screen and a 42-inch mobile flat-panel screen. We are happy to arrange AV equipment through our third-party supplier—charges will be added directly to your bill with no additional mark-up.

### WHAT ADDITIONAL EXPENSES SHOULD I CONSIDER?

- Wedding designer or florist
- Flowers
- Centre-pieces, pillar (and other) candles
- Wedding altar or structure (e.g. flowers, wood, fabric)
- Wedding officiant
- Photographer
- Audio-visual equipment and sound
- DJ and/or band
- Vendor meals
- For designated seating please provide your own place cards and/or seating chart

### IS THERE A STAND-UP BAR FOR COCKTAILING?

The Bellair Room has a built-in bar; a mobile bar is available in the Cumberland Room.

**PLEASE NOTE:** the Sassafras audio system is for in-house background music only. Please have your musician or DJ supply a microphone and speakers for speeches in the dining room. A cordless microphone is available for speeches in the private rooms located on the second floor only.



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### CANCELLATION POLICY

Deposit is 100% refundable in advance of 30 days' notice from the event date. If the function is canceled with less than 30 days' notice the deposit will be forfeited. If the function is canceled with less than 14 days notice of event date the minimum food and beverage will be charged.

### MENUS

Menus are seasonal and may vary with respect to market availability and price.

### MENU TASTING

Food tasting takes place once the menu is finalized, approximately 4 weeks before the wedding.

### WEDDING CAKE

The wedding cake is one of the signature elements of any wedding. Please refer to our list of suppliers to customize the wedding cake of your dreams.

### FLOWERS AND DECOR

Please refer to our preferred suppliers list online.

### PARKING

Green-P parking is available at 74 Yorkville Avenue. It is accessible from Cumberland Street and is a 5-minute walk from the restaurant. A private parking lot is located at 87 Critchley Lane, directly across the park from Sassafraz. Valet

parking is available at an additional rate. Our Events Manager can arrange this for you.

### PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Sassafraz is located just steps from the Bay Street subway station, accessible from both the Yonge and Bloor subway lines.

### ACCESSIBILITY

Our private event space is located on the second floor with barrier-free access via a lift. Guests who require the lift will be greeted upon arrival. Your dedicated event team will assist in moving your guests between floors. There is one accessible communal washroom on the first floor and one accessible washroom on the second floor.

### RENTALS

You are welcome to use all tables, chairs, bar stools, linens, glass/flatware available at Sassafraz at no additional fee. See our preferred vendors for additional services.

### PHOTOGRAPHS IN YORKVILLE PARK

Sassafraz is located directly across the street from Yorkville Park. The result of an international design competition, the park celebrates the history of the Village of Yorkville and reflects the diversity of the Canadian landscape. Unusual and popular features include a 700-ton Muskoka granite rock formation, a rain curtain/icicle fountain and gardens featuring distinct plant communities.



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