



Villa Retreat invites you to celebrate the festive season with an East Asian theme. Enjoy an authentic experience filled with cultural richness and culinary delights with our special menu, curated by Chef Shadab, promises a unique and unforgettable dining experience.

Event Highlights:

- ☀️ Festive Atmosphere: Experience decorations inspired by Japanese, Chinese, and Korean aesthetics.*
- ☀️ Gourmet Cuisine: Delight in a variety of traditional Asian dishes prepared by our skilled chefs.*
- ☀️ Elegant Decor: Our venue will feature beautiful lanterns, paper fans, and calligraphy art.*
- ☀️ Tea Ceremonies: Participate in intricate tea ceremonies led by our Chinese tea master, Isha.*

Schedule:

- ☀️ Festive Lunches: December 25th and January 1st, 2025, from 1 PM to 4 PM in Wyckoff's Dining.*
- ☀️ Tea Ceremonies: December 24th, 25th, 26th, 30th, 31st, and January 1st in the library. Book your slot through our Front Office or F&B department.*

The Tea master

@ Library, from 7am to 4pm

We request to reserve your session slot, call 111



Tom Kha

National dish coming from the central part Thailand bearing the influence of neighboring Laos

Miến trộn

The Vietnamese style glass noodle salad



Live Chef's table

Shushi, sashimi & nigiri

Interact with our chef to explore & share, or roll one shushi

Dim sum



From the back stage

Tempura: new zealand spinach grown locally

Lemon pickle cream

Tteok: Tofu & Raw mango rolls

Mushrooms pepper, salt & sesame oil

Garlic & lemon broccoli

Kafir grilled milk tofu

Yangnyŏm ch'ik'in

Korean fried chicken, sweet & spicy sauce of gochujang

5spice Grilled grouper

Spicy hosin sauce

Satay

Prawns, Lemongrass, Turmeric & Sambal sauce

Bulgogi

Soy barbecued mutton fillets



Main course

Thai curry

Green tofu & vegetable Or Massaman chicken

Serve with

Soba noodles / Jasmine rice



Desserts

Banana toffee, butterscotch

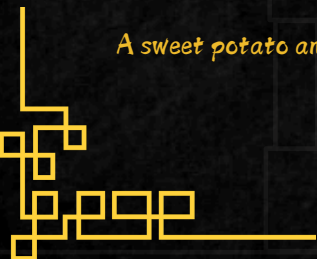
Japanese crème Brule with roasted Hazelnuts

Kurikinton

A sweet potato and chestnut dish, with its golden color symbolizing financial success and wealth.

Kurisumasu Kēki

Christmas fruit cake wrapped in Japanese idea



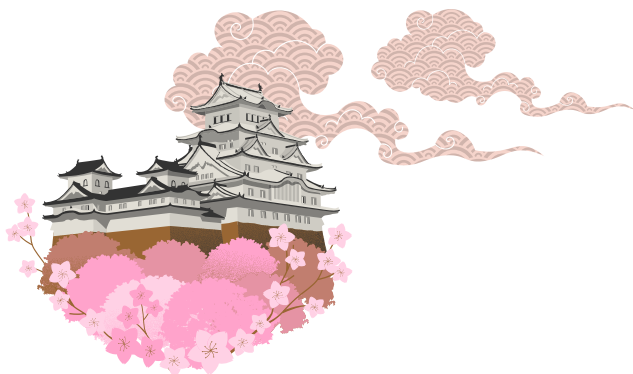
A Culinary Journey Through the Far East

This winter, embark on a culinary adventure with our chef as we celebrate the festive season with a feast inspired by the delectable cuisines of the Far East. From Japan to Korea, the Philippines, Malaysia, Singapore, and China, we've curated a collection of regional delicacies that will tantalize your taste buds.

Guests will also have the opportunity to indulge in an authentic tea experience with our tea master. This exceptional menu has been curated by our very own Chef Shadab, who is renowned for his exceptional culinary skills and expertise in experimental cuisine. Chef Shadab's innovative approach and passion for creating unique dishes ensure an unforgettable dining experience.

Symbolic Meanings in Food

- ☀️ **Tea Ceremonies:** In countries like China, Japan, and Korea, tea ceremonies are elaborate rituals that involve specific preparation methods, utensils, and etiquette. These ceremonies foster a sense of mindfulness, respect, and harmony. Offering tea to guests is a common expression of hospitality and respect. It signifies a warm welcome and a desire for connection.
- ☀️ **Dumplings:** Wealth and prosperity.
- ☀️ **Fish:** Abundance.
- ☀️ **Nian Gao (Rice Cake):** Rising higher in life.
- ☀️ **Longevity Noodles:** Long life.
- ☀️ **Kurikinton:** Financial success.
- ☀️ **Kombu (Seaweed):** Joy and happiness.
- ☀️ **Kurisumasu Kēki (Christmas Cake):** Purity, happiness, luxury, celebration.
- ☀️ **Yangnyeom Chicken:** Festive occasions.
- ☀️ **Bulgogi:** Abundance.
- ☀️ **Tteok (Rice Cakes):** Prosperity, unity.
- ☀️ **Cha Gio (Spring Rolls):** Good fortune, wealth.



Common Symbolic Themes

- ☀️ Longevity and Prosperity
- ☀️ Family and Continuity
- ☀️ Good Luck and Fresh Starts

A Festive Celebration

The New Year cuisines in these cultures reflect a deep connection to tradition and symbolism, making each dish an essential part of welcoming in the year with positive hopes and blessings.

Let's Celebrate the Season!

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, Fa la la la la, la la la la. 'Tis the season to be jolly, Fa la la la la, la la la la.