



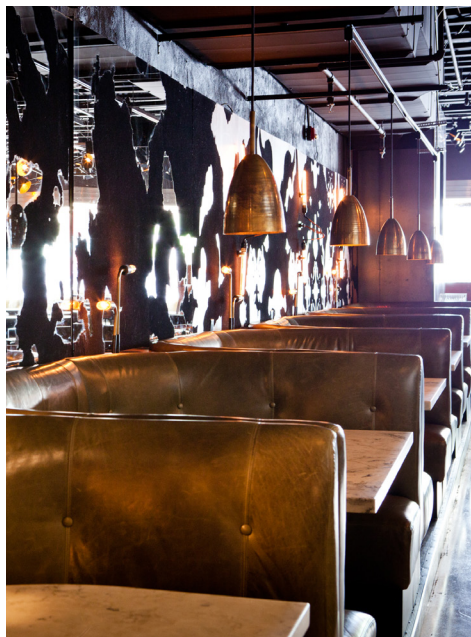
AS UNIQUE AS  
YOU ARE

DRAKE HOTEL  
WEDDINGS





# SOUTH LOUNGE



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A popular venue for music and events, the South Lounge of The Drake Hotel is the ideal location to host a stunning celebration with our playful food stations, passed “mini-meals” and famous cocktail program!

Need a little extra legroom? Add the North Lounge for additional seating, food stations or even ping pong!

## Features

- + Weddings + ceremonies + cocktail parties + daytime brunch receptions + engagement parties
- + Warming fireplace, custom chandeliers and revolving art installations
- + Fully accessible with wheelchair access

## Tech Specs

- + Projector with one projection screen + 2 LCD monitors
- + DJ booth + sound port + wireless internet access

## Capacities

- + 150 ‘Strolling’ cocktail-style reception with plentiful food stations + passed mini-meals - Plated brunch or dinner not available in this venue

## Ceremonies

- + 150 guests for a standing ceremony with limited reserved seating

## Stay + Play

The South Lounge can be reserved until 11PM (or until close for a premium rate). At 11PM, we open our doors to the public – however we welcome you and your guests to stay + play! We will reserve an exclusive home-base for you to continue to enjoy Drake DJ’s, atmosphere + Queen West festivities for the rest of the night.

## Extend Your Experience

### + Book a Room With Us

Need hotel rooms? We thought so! Book your stay in advance and experience all of our hotel amenities just steps away from your soiree. Each one of our rooms has its own personality and all are contemporary, cozy and unique. Enjoy a good night’s sleep, breakfast in bed and Malin + Goetz bath products.



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Whether you're looking for a traditional dining experience with a formal seated dinner, or something festive with cocktails and ample passed bites, the North Lounge is the perfect space to host up to 60 guests.

Bordering the South Lounge, this space is the ideal venue to host an intimate reception, followed by a lively evening curated by our late night bands and DJ's

## Features

- + Wedding reception + cocktail parties + daytime brunch receptions + engagement parties + bachelorette parties
- + Semi-private with custom curtain for added privacy
- + Add-on to your booking of the South Lounge for additional seating, food stations or ping pong!
- + Fully accessible with wheelchair access

## Tech Specs

- + One digital projector and screen
- + Digital sound and full MP3 library + wireless internet access

## Capacities

- + 50 plated with set menu
- + 60 'Strolling' cocktail-style with plentiful food stations + passed mini-meals

## Ceremonies

- + No capacity for ceremony in the North Lounge

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# SOUTH + NORTH LOUNGE



If you want to give your guests the true Drake experience, consider our premier venue, the North + South lounge on the main floor of The Drake Hotel. The backdrop of the trendiest weddings in the city, here you can throw a lavish 'strolling' dinner with bubbly and oysters, platters of charcuterie and our famous sushi station that will leave your guests raving for weeks to come!

## Features

- + Weddings + ceremonies, cocktail parties, daytime brunch receptions + engagement parties
- + Fully private with exclusive entrance, warming fireplace, custom chandeliers and revolving art installations
- + Fully accessible with wheelchair access

## Tech Specs

- + Projectors with 2 projection screens + 2 LCD monitors
  - + DJ booth + sound port + wireless internet access
- + Digital sound + full mp3 library
- + Capacity for live band set-up beside dance-floor

## Capacities

- + 250 'Strolling' cocktail-style with plentiful food stations + passed mini-meals - Plated brunch or dinner not on offer in this venue

## Ceremonies

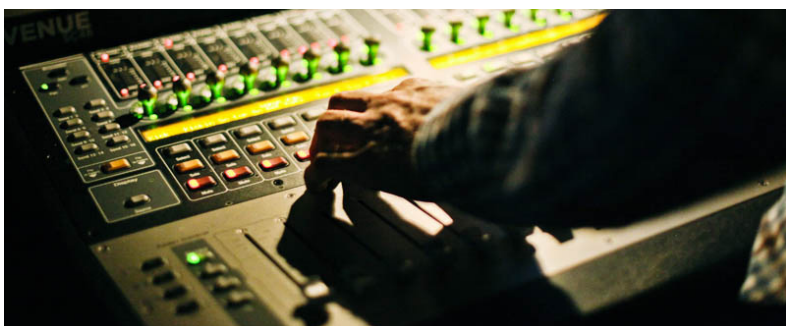
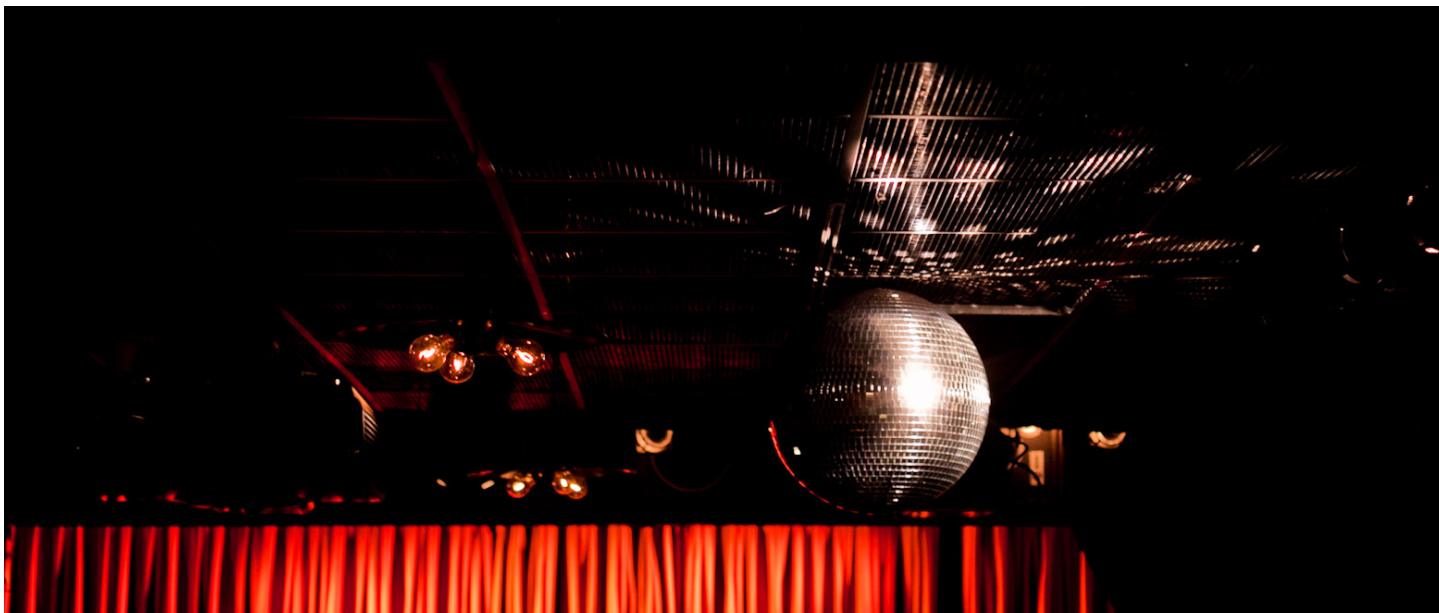
- + 200 guests for a standing ceremony with limited reserved seating

## Stay + Play!

The North and South Lounge can be reserved until 11PM (or until close for a premium rate). At 11PM, we open our doors to the public – however we welcome you and your guests to stay + play! We will reserve an exclusive home-base for you to continue to enjoy Drake DJ's, atmosphere + Queen West festivities for the rest of the night.

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# UNDERGROUND



The Underground would be a hidden gem if it weren't so popular. Lending itself to almost any theme, it's an ideal venue for rock 'n' roll weddings. With hook-ups for DJ's, live band and an expansive dance floor, the Underground lends an exceptional edge to your special day.

## Features

- + Weddings + ceremonies, cocktail parties, daytime brunch receptions + engagement parties
- + Full staging for musical acts + DJs
- + Fully private with exclusive entrance
- + Not wheelchair accessible

## Capacities

- + 125 'Strolling' cocktail-style with plentiful food stations + passed mini-meals
- + Plated dinner is not on offer

## Ceremonies on site

- + 125 guests with standing ceremony with limited reserved seating

## Stay + Play

The Drake Underground can be reserved until 11PM (or until close for a premium rate). At 11PM, we open our doors to the public – however we welcome you and your guests to stay + play! We will reserve an exclusive home-base for you to continue to enjoy Drake DJ's, atmosphere + Queen West festivities for the rest of the night.

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SKY YARD



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In sunshine or by starlight, our year-round rooftop Sky Yard patio is the perfect urban oasis for your special day. Featuring two private bars, lounge seating, colourful murals and upbeat music, the Drake Sky Yard is one of our most lively spaces with stunning views of the city.

Mix in a DJ, a custom cocktail and our signature food stations with passed mini-meals and you've got yourself a night to remember! Like all Toronto patios, the Sky Yard is non-smoking but our friendly staff will show you the way if you need to find some smoke-friendly real estate street side.

## Features

- + Weddings, ceremonies, cocktail parties, daytime brunch receptions + engagement parties
- + Seasonal outdoor bar with pop-up décor
- + Not wheelchair accessible

## Capacities

- + 30 plated meal with set menu
- + 80 'Strolling' cocktail-style with food stations + passed bites with enclosed, heated covering
- + 125 'Strolling' cocktail-style with food stations + passed bites weather permitting

## Ceremonies on site

- + 60 under enclosed, heated covering
- + 125 guests weather permitting
- + Bookable for ceremonies only from 4PM – 6PM weather permitting

## Stay + Play

The Sky Yard can be reserved until 11PM (or until close for a premium rate). At 11PM, we open our doors to the public – however we welcome you and your guests to stay + play! We will reserve an exclusive home-base for you to continue to enjoy Drake DJ's, atmosphere + Queen West festivities for the rest of the night.

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parties, the Drake Sky Yard is one of our most lively spaces. It also gets bonus points for a view of the city and



# ROOM 222



the big comfy daybeds.

The perfect nook for hosting intimate private affairs, Room 222 is available day + night for a decadent plated or strolling reception. Boasting vibrant artwork and prime people watching real estate, Room 222 sits at the edge of the Drake action on the second floor, adjacent to the Sky Yard.

## Features

- + Weddings, ceremonies, engagement parties, bachelorettes, cocktail parties + daytime brunch receptions
- + Not wheelchair accessible

## Capacities

- + 14-16 plated meal with set menu
- + 24 'Strolling' 'Strolling' cocktail-style with plentiful food

stations + passed mini meals

## Ceremonies on site

- + 6-10 guests with standing ceremony

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# CAFÉ



Our corner Café is the perfect venue for intimate weddings, rehearsal dinners or engagement parties. During the warmer months, roll up the garage doors to transform this venue into an indoor outdoor space. The adjoining South Patio is covered with a motorized awning, lit with lanterns and adorned with lush plants.

A private bar and cocktail area boast the crowning touch for making this space the ideal spot to host your celebration, just steps away from the action that Drake is known for!

## Features

- + Weddings, ceremonies, cocktail parties + engagement parties
- + Fully private with exclusive entrance and seasonal outdoor patio
- + Fully accessible with wheelchair access

## Tech Specs

- + Digital sound and full MP3 library + wireless internet access

## Indoor Capacities

- + 30 plated dinner with set menu
- + 45 'Strolling' cocktail-style with plentiful food stations + passed mini meals

## Café Bistro + South Patio Capacities

- + 60 - 70 'Strolling' cocktail-style with plentiful food stations + passed mini meals

## Ceremonies on site

- + 35 guests for indoor ceremonies
- + 60 guests for outdoor ceremonies

## Book the South Patio

Add on the South Patio in the warmer months for the best of both worlds. Host a ceremony, cocktail hour or set-up backyard games for a fun + festive affair. We care about our neighbours though, so due to the residential dwellings you'll have to pare your guest list down to 50 people past 11PM as the party moves indoors.

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# PREFERRED VENDORS



## PHOTOGRAPHY

- + Kayla Rocca
- + Tamara Lockwood

## FLORAL

- + Coriander Girl
- + Jackie-O

## OFFICIANT

- + Martin Firth

## HAIR + MAKEUP

- + The LOFT Toronto

## CAKE + CUPCAKES

- + Drake Commissary
  - 6, 9 or 12 inch cakes

## GIFTING

- + Guest welcome baskets for hotel rooms from Drake General Store
- + Bridesmaid + Groomsman gifts from Drake General Store

## DJs

- + DJ Fase
- + DJ Cosmic Cat
- + DJ Dougie Boom
- + DJ Your Boy Brian

## LIVE MUSIC

- + The Digs
- + The St Royals
- + Union Duke

# THE FINE PRINT

## **DRAKE DOESN'T BELIEVE IN ROOM RENTAL FEES!**

- + Like we said before, no rental fee, just a minimum spend that we require met in catering, beverage + Drake services
- + Your minimum spend will be determined by the venue, day of the week and length of time you wish to accommodate all budgets
- + Staffing is included care of Drake – we love our staff and you will too!
- + All venues are offered 'as is' – a nominal fee will be required to transform the venue into the room you're envisioning. Set-up fees range in price from \$125-\$500 based on your needs.
- + Tables (\$10), Linens (\$15) and chairs (\$3), Easels (\$15), and Whiteboards (\$25) are available to rent from the venue and contribute to the minimum spend for your space – just ask your coordinator!
- + Please note that cash bars aren't considered as part of the minimum spend and onsite ticket sales are not permitted

## **MENU SELECTIONS**

- + At Drake, we like to keep things fun but we're pretty serious about great food! Just like the seasons, our menus change to reflect the best of local ingredients and gastronomical excellence
- + Drake's in-house pastry team can design the ultimate platter of sweet treats. From tasty cupcakes, take home goodies and our famous bake sales
- + Your final menu is due two weeks prior to the function date – anything inside of that we'll try our best but can't make any promises
- + As we cater all of our own food in-house, we don't allow for outside catering as part of onsite events
- + If you're looking to bring in a cake from your favourite baker the answer is yes, but we charge \$2.50 per person to store + plate the offering
- + Seasonally created cocktails by Drake's resident drink experts are available in all our venues
- + We also offer basic and premium bar offerings, which we charge based on consumption

## **A/V**

- + Rich audio visual available in each of our venues takes the tech related stresses off of your plate, and onto ours
- + We're proud of our offerings, and we're excited to share them with you. That being said, we do require that all AV needs be procured through our channels
- + To ensure that you're ready to roll we'll even connect you with our Head of AV to facilitate your needs – think of him as the President of your own AV Club!
- + All AV needs must be confirmed 2 weeks prior the function date – if no technician has been requested, we won't have one available on the date of the event

## **COAT CHECK**

- + During the colder months we'd be happy to run a coat check service during your event at a cost of \$3 per coat.
- + If the service doesn't fit the budget we can advise guests of the service + charge upon their arrival

## **BOOKING DETAILS**

- + All we need is a signed contract + 50% deposit to proceed with the booking
- + It's important to note that we can't hold space without the above, so it's important to make your intentions known if you're looking to proceed
- + In the event of a cancellation we require 90-days' notice in order to return your deposit without penalty
- + Things change! As a hotbed for art + culture, we are constantly updating our look, giving various artists their time to shine. Check-in with your event coordinator to be made aware of any upcoming décor flips in advance of your event date.
- + As a 19+ venue we must remain cognizant that underage guests are not permitted in the building past the time your event is booked until, or 10PM if not booked until close. Any minor/persons facilitating a minor to obtain alcoholic beverages from the bar will be escorted from the property immediately. This is a zero tolerance policy with no exceptions made.

# YOU'VE GOT QUESTIONS, WE'VE GOT ANSWERS: DRAKE HOTEL FAQ

## DO WE HAVE AN EVENT COORDINATOR TO HELP PLAN THE DETAILS?

- + Absolutely! Your Drake Coordinator will help you plan out all items Drake related – menus, bar offerings, sweets + treats, key timing as it relates to food + beverage, floorplans, security and AV support
- + Your Drake Coordinator is not responsible for getting you down the aisle, decorating, cuing music or speeches
- + Should you wish to have assistance with the above, you can upgrade to our DAY OF COORDINATOR PACKAGE starting at \$500.00 for the day
- + The DAY OF upgrade will allow you comfort in knowing that ALL details are under one roof and taken care of by a real pro!

## WHAT ABOUT A REHEARSAL?

- + We encourage you to consider booking another available venue the night before your wedding for a memorable meal with your nearest + dearest
- + You can inquire with the SALES + EVENTS team to receive availability + special pricing along with alternate menus and style of service to differentiate from your big day
- + As for a FORMAL rehearsal, do note our spaces are always open to the public unless privately booked. If you have not upgraded to a DAY OF COORDINATOR package, it would be a casual, run through where possible (if possible)
- + Should you have a DAY OF COORDINATOR, they would be onsite to run your crew through all elements of what to expect

## CEREMONY SITES

- + Your ceremony will take place within the same venue as your reception – we do not offer alternate space for ceremonies
- + Even our ceremonies are unique – the majority of your guests will be standing (with a cocktail in hand!) as you pass through this loving crowd en route to your soon-to-be forever partner in crime!

## WHAT OTHER AREAS CAN MY GUESTS ACCESS?

- + We encourage your guests to move + mingle – after all that's what a 'strolling' dinner is all about!
- + Guests are welcome to check out our public spaces – a favourite is our lobby with our famous PHOTO BOOTH! (this also makes a great interactive activity for your guests!)
- + Access to other venues such as the SKY YARD, LOUNGE or UNDERGROUND are based on capacity and priority access is reserved for regular, non-event guests

## MENUS + BAR SERVICE

- + Your final GUEST COUNT, menu + bar scenario is due TWO weeks prior to the event date
- + Your COORDINATOR will send you updated menus over time as they do alter with season
- + Remember – as with any strolling dinner, 70% of the food is passed by our staff, while the remainder are fun self-serve stations
- + Your Coordinator will also keep you in the loop for changes to our stellar cocktail + wine list
- + Do note, our BARS are based on consumption and we do provide an estimate for your sign off – night of, our Operational team will watch the tab and keep you closely in the loop!

## WHAT ABOUT RENTALS + FURNITURE?

- + The venues are all offered AS IS – and provide the ultimate background for your big day!
- + Should you have specific room set up needs, please see your Coordinator to discuss the best possible solutions – should furniture removal be required a flat fee will apply
- + Any rentals and deliveries are only accepted DAY OF (what we lack in storage we make up for in fun!)

## LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL!

- + WE KNOW YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE AN ABSOLUTE BLAST!
- + The Drake Hotel does allow for live bands in our indoor venues only – however they may take up prime ceremony space – so you may want to consider one of our talented DJ's – or create your own playlist via I-Pod!