

# Carolina Girl Confections Special Event Consultation Guide

Thank you for considering Carolina Girl Confections as a part of your special event. We provide consultations and tastings for special events only and must be scheduled by booking an appointment. The cost is \$50. This cost will go toward your event purchase should you choose Carolina Girl Confections. We encourage clients to visit our website (www.carolinagirlconfections.com) to see our work done before scheduling an appointment.

While we encourage clients to book early, it is best to schedule your appointment once you have decided on a date, venue and some event details. Six to nine months before a wedding or two to four months before your event is a good rule of thumb. It is easier to choose your cake once you have the larger details in place. While we can certainly meet with you if you don't have these elements in place, it is easier to choose cakes or other confections that will coordinate with the look and feel of your event if you have done some basic planning before you meet with us. If you are undecided on a design, flavor(s) and size, we won't be able to provide the best quote for your needs.

Choosing a cake can be a bit overwhelming. It is helpful to have a preliminary budget in mind before you come to the meeting. Try to be flexible about your design, practical about your budget, and mindful about your needs. It will make you a happy client!

Out of consideration to you, and our commitments to other clients, we must limit our consultations to one hour.

## Purpose & Expectations

Our tasting is designed to provide a sample of the quality of our delicious cakes and other baked goods. All of our menu items are made to order. While we will make every effort to provide you with a sample of the cake you would like to try, we are limited to our popular flavors and those which have been recently ordered. We will permit our clients to request three flavors they would like to sample during their consultation. Any other flavors our clients would like to try will be limited to what is available on the scheduled consultation date. If there is a specific flavor and filling you would like to try that is not offered on our menu, we recommend ordering one for an upcoming event. You may also try another weekend to see if we will have that flavor available. We have seating for three. You are welcome to bring parents, bridal party members or friends. Remember that each person will bring with them additional influences and opinions. Please bring any pictures, fabric and any ideas which may aid us in creating a special cake for you.

#### Price Quote

Within seventy-two hours, we will send you a price quote. However, we cannot provide you with sketches or an exact design until you have made your commitment to us by sending a deposit. All custom items totaling less than \$100 shall require full payment at the time of invoicing to secure your date.

Time is of the essence. Our price quotes are valid for thirty days. We book on a first come, first paid basis. Your date is unconfirmed and available to others until we have received a deposit or full payment, depending on invoice total. Please see "Deposits & Policies" below for more information about securing your date.

## Deposits & Policies

If you choose to have Carolina Girl Confections create your cake, we require a deposit of 50% to guarantee your event date and place your order. If your invoiced total is less than \$100, we require full prepayment in order to secure your date. Your order is not guaranteed without a paid deposit. The deposit reserves your event date and will be applied to the final balance of your cake. If your event is canceled, for any reason, it is our policy that your deposit will not be refunded.

The prices effective when we receive your deposit are the prices you will receive on your cake.

## Delivery & Setup

Delivery and setup around the Columbia area starts at \$25. Delivery and setup to Lexington, Irmo, Lake Murray and surrounding areas start at \$45. If you decide to pick up your event confections and opt not to have Carolina Girl Confections deliver to your venue, you must sign our Self Transport Waiver releasing us of any responsibility for damages that might occur during self-transport.

We do not provide fresh flowers for cakes. These need to be ordered from and arranged by your florist. If we do need to arrange flowers, we must know before delivery.

## Cake Plavors & Pricing

The following cake flavors are \$5.50 per serving:

Red Velvet - familiar to all Southerners and Southerners at heart; not as rich as our traditional chocolate and with red coloring (with or without pecans)

White Variffa - plain vanilla for those who like it old-fashioned

**Lemon** - white vanilla with a hint of citrus

Classic Yellow – moist yellow cake with vanilla flavor added

Carrot - a perfect blend of cinnamon, carrots, pecans, coconut, pineapple and raisins

Chocolate Once Over - moist, true chocolate decadence for the chocolate lover

Chocolate Kanlua - a rich mocha flavored chocolate cake with chocolate chips - perfect for the chocolate and coffee lover

**Hummingbird** - this yellow cake is a moist and yummy blend of bananas, pineapple and pecans - great with cream cheese frosting

White Chocolate - a wonderful choice for the white chocolate lover - this flavor pairs nicely with fruit or white chocolate mousse fillings

## Custom Event Cupcakes

Today's trends allow for a more creative expression when it comes to special events, and having cupcakes in lieu of -- or in addition to -- a cake has become a way to add a bit of whimsy to an event. While our normal pricing for cupcakes is reflected on our website for everyday ordering, please know that more intricate details are added to our custom event cupcakes. Any cake flavor listed above can be made as cupcakes.

The following flavors are \$2.75 per serving, plus any customization costs:

Sweet Potato Pecan - sweet potato flavored cupcake with a pecan cream cheese frosting

Frosted Pearut Butter - peanut butter lovers beware; all that is missing is jelly!

Tropical Pireapple - pineapple flavored cupcake with cream cheese pineapple frosting

Strawberry Stortcake - angel food cupcakes with fresh strawberries and a whipped topping

Lemon Berry - moist lemony cake topped with blueberry buttercream frosting and blueberries

Lemon Butterfly - moist and fluffy lemon cake with lemon buttercream and beautiful butterfly wings

Mocha - a rich mocha flavored cupcake with a Kahlua drizzle atop the frosting and chocolate chips

Peaches 'n Cream - butter-peach flavored cupcake married to a delightful peach cream cheese frosting

Pina Colada - if you like piña coladas.... You'll LOVE this coconut flavored treat

Gooey Chocolate 'n Cream Cheese - an addictive chocolate cupcake infused with cream cheese and white and chocolate chips

Lemon Cheesecake - a smooth and rich cheesecake with a hint of lemon flavor

Raspberry -vanilla cupcake with raspberry swirls, topped with a raspberry cream cheese frosting

Rocky Road - chocolate cupcake topped with buttercream frosting, walnuts, marshmallows and chocolate drizzle

### Frostings

Our delicious vanilla buttercream or traditional cream cheese frosting is included in your serving price. Other specialty frostings are available for an additional \$.75 per serving. White chocolate frosting is a good example of a popular specialty frosting. We no longer provide fondant as an option for our cakes.

## Pricing Extras

Certain decorations may increase the base price of the cake you have chosen, including use of fondant flowers, gum paste flowers, bows, bands, etc. These extras are priced on an individual basis. Specialty fillings (other than vanilla almond buttercream or cream cheese) will also reflect an increase in pricing. These premium fillings are offered for an additional \$10 per three layers.

Shaped cakes (other than round) are \$6.00 per serving – customization costs not included. Shaped cakes require more time and specialty boards. Therefore; we must charge more for them.

If you have any further questions or comments concerning our Special Events pricing, give us a call at 803.753.8087 or email us at orders@carolinagirlconfections.com.

## Thanks... And we hope your day is a piece of cake!

