

catering FAQs

WHAT ARE YOUR MINIMUMS?

We currently require private events to have 100 guests or more. Quotes start at \$1,150 inclusive of gelato, equipment, service, and tax. You can find example quotes based on a variety of options and needs [here](#).

HOW DO I BOOK MY EVENT?

If we're available on your event date and timeframe you can guarantee the date by signing a contract and providing payment!

WHAT FLAVORS CAN I CHOOSE FROM FOR MY EVENT?

Choosing flavors for a large group can be difficult! We've cultivated a list below of crowd favorites. These catering flavors are popular both with our long-time local customers as well as guests traveling in from different cities, states, and countries! GF = gluten free, DF = dairy free.

Vanilla Sea Salt Caramel (GF)
Malted Vanilla
Chocolate (GF)
Dairy Free Chocolate (GF and DF)
Mint Cookie
Hazelnut Crunch (GF)
Espresso Chip (GF)
Dairy Free Strawberry (GF and DF)
Dairy Free Lemon Passionfruit (GF and DF)
Blood Orange Sorbet (GF and DF)

CAN I CUSTOMIZE FLAVORS FOR MY EVENT?

While we recommend the flavors above, if you'd like to upgrade the flavors below these are each available for an additional \$0.50 per person.

Goat Cheese Cashew Caramel (GF, contains nuts)
Strawberry Balsamic
Malted Vanilla Pretzel
Italian Cookie

Chef's Choice Store Featured Flavor Month of your Event are available for an additional \$1 per person. Each month we have "Featured Flavors" in our store - if your event is in September 2024 we can do one or two September 2024 Featured Flavors for your event. If this is of interest you can contract Featured Flavors and we'll send you your flavor options 15 days prior to your event.

HOW LONG IS THE GELATO SERVED AND HOW MANY SERVERS WILL BE AT MY EVENT?

The number of servers will be determined by the specifics of your event. Details like the size of event, timeframe of event, and type of event can all affect our recommendations or requirements. You can find example quotes with various servers for 2-hour event on our website [here](#).

CAN YOU PROVIDE A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE (COI)?

In order to put together your contract we'll need your venue's COI requirements. Most venues/buildings require a COI. COIs carry a \$50 processing fee as noted on our estimate examples [here](#).

WHAT IS THE CREDIT CARD FEE?

For groups paying with a credit card a 3.5% processing fee will be applied. All groups are welcome to pay via Quickbooks ACH to avoid this fee.

I DON'T NEED A SERVER, CAN YOU JUST DELIVER GELATO TO MY EVENT?

We do not offer delivery-only at this time. All our catering event quotes include delivery of our product, equipment, and a Black Dog Gelato server during the event.

CAN WE BRAND ITEMS FOR OUR EVENT?

While we do not offer branding services groups may purchase their own magnet(s) to place on our gelato cart(s) at their event. Groups can also provide their own branded cocktail napkins for their event. The gelato cups must be a specific weight, strength, and size. For these reasons we do not permit groups to provide their own gelato cups. Groups may provide 1 - 1.5 inch round stickers to place on the gelato cups. Groups must drop off stickers no fewer than 2-weeks prior to their event at our Ukrainian Village (859 N Damen) location for our team to prepare the cups for your event!



To check availability and book your event please email us at catering@blackdogchicago.com