Frequently Asked Questions

Is all the cooking prepared in my house?

Some, but not all. The majority of the food is prepared off your premises and brought to your house that evening. However, things such a cooking the meat, fish, vegetables and other delicate foods are cooked in your kitchen. Things such as soups, home made bread, desserts, canapés are cooked off site.

Do you use my pots and pans?

No. We bring our own pots, pans, kitchen knives, utensils, chopping boards etc..

Do I use my own plates, cutlery and napkins?

Yes. It is just like you throwing a dinner party. You set the table as you normally would and use your own cutlery. We will wash all the plates and cutlery during the evening so you do not have any washing up the next day.

How do I arrange an appointment?

Just give me ring on 01642 325418 or 07904108593 or email mark@thediningroom.org.uk

How do I pay?

We require a 50% deposit one week before the dinner party. If you cancel during this period you will lose the deposit. We accept cash or cheques (made payable to 'The Dining Room'). Unfortunately we do not accept credit or debit cards.

Can I 'mix-and-match' the menu?

You may choose any course from the menu. However, we recommend that you stay with same course for each guest as this will give an authentic feel to the night and it is difficult for us to cook different courses on a domestic hob. The price will depend upon what you choose.

What about if one of my guests is vegetarian?

We will try and cater for their special requirements. This can be discussed at our initial meeting.

How far will you travel?

We are willing to travel within a 10 miles radius of Middlesbrough at no extra cost. Any further than this and we will charge approximately 20p per mile.

Food allergies?

If you are in any doubt then please contact me for further information.