

Sodexo Live! to deliver fabulous fine dining experiences at Henley Royal Regatta

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Sodexo Live! is set to have a jubilant June return to the world-renowned Henley Royal Regatta by serving around 3,000 hospitality guests.

The Regatta will be six days for the first time this year, starting on Tuesday 28 June, and is back in its traditional place in the summer season for the first time since 2019 after being cancelled in 2020 and moved to August last year due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Henley Royal Regatta attracts thousands of visitors over the week and spectators will be entertained by over 300 races of an international standard, which includes Olympic rowers as well as crews new to the event.

Since 2013, Sodexo Live! has worked with Henley Royal Regatta to provide world-class experiences in food and hospitality. This year, Sodexo will deliver all hospitality for the event across the Fawley Meadows Restaurant, Riverside Chalets, private dining in Temple Island and a brand-new hospitality experience at the Fawley Meadows Lounge.

The Fawley Meadows Lounge will be available for one day at the Regatta on Tuesday 28 June. Guests at the lounge, which has a relaxed atmosphere and informal seating, will be able to enjoy a grazing lunch menu of dishes which include chalk stream trout with celeriac remoulade and beetroot falafel with avocado aioli. Specialist mixologists and expert sommeliers will also be on hand to serve Moët & Chandon Champagne and botanical cocktails from the complimentary bar throughout the day.

The hospitality offering for the exclusive Fawley Meadows Enclosure and on Temple Island includes a five-course meal, a Moët & Chandon Champagne and canapé reception, and riverboat excursion – all set on the picturesque banks of the Henley Reach.

Guests can enjoy a five-course meal featuring local-sourced produce, with vegetarian and vegan options available, including scorched tsar salmon with goats curd, spinach and oregano parfait with heirloom tomato and caper salsa, as well as beef fillet with a bone marrow croquette.

Rebecca Kane Burton, CEO Sodexo Live! UK and Ireland, said: "Henley Royal Regatta is one of the most prestigious events in the sporting and social calendar and it's great to be back at full-scale. As we celebrate the Platinum Jubilee this summer, we can't wait to partner with Henley to deliver exceptional fine dining for this quintessentially British event."

Daniel Grist, Chief Executive, Henley Royal Regatta, added: "We very much look forward to welcoming guests back to Fawley Meadows this year. It's wonderful to be hosting a full-scale event once again and with a record number of crew entries, it's sure to be an incredible atmosphere on and off the river."

Sodexo Live! is behind several major events this summer, providing fantastic culinary experiences at Royal Ascot and the RHS Chelsea Flower Show as well as at amazing venues such as Newcastle United, Hampden Park in Glasgow, and the iconic River Thames cruise Bateaux London.