

# MURDER MYSTERY



## DURATION

150 – 180 mins over dinner  
(according to guest numbers)



## REQUIREMENTS

Takes place around your dining table. Hot meals and a syndicate room for the actors will be required.



## GUEST NOS.

10 – 150  
(Further AV needed when over 120)



**The scene is set... the tables are laid; the wine is chilled, and the waiters are ready. The last thing we need now is for one of the guests to drop down dead with a knife in their back! Our Murder Mysteries are the perfect over-dinner diversion: high quality, informal, but most of all, fun!**

Guests work collaboratively in pairs or larger teams to solve the crime and receive their prizes at the denouement finale. Whilst the event is best suited to a three-course evening meal and lasts approximately 3 hours, it works equally well over a mid-day meal or buffet.

Although some are period dramas, many of our Murder Mysteries are set in the present day. Available in a tried and tested format, each is fully scripted and presented by professional actors in scenes between courses over dinner. Your detective hosts the action and keeps everyone on the straight and narrow – even involving 5 of your guests as volunteer extras reading small cameo parts!

**PLEASE NOTE:** Our Murder Mysteries are written and performed with traditional British humour and light-hearted banter laced with double-entendres a-plenty and so we would not recommend them to clients who may deem this inappropriate for their guests.

***“The night was a huge success! The team were amazing, and all my colleagues really enjoyed it.” Rackspace***

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## HOW IT WORKS

**The carefully written comedy plots provide a challenge for the more serious sleuths but are also pure entertainment for those who just want to relax and enjoy the occasion.**

The event commences once the guests are seated for dinner and continues through the meal with the main action taking place in scripted scenes between courses. A small amount of paperwork on each table gives guests the opportunity to decide their teams and swot up on interesting background info about the main characters.

During the scenes, guests will pick up the clues from the action, making notes to help lead them to a solution. Each investigation will also involve 5 volunteers from your group, to read from a short, prepared script as they are “interviewed” as important witnesses!

These are fun parts and require no rehearsals – we simply choose from the audience on the evening. Of course, if you prefer you can select the ‘volunteers’ beforehand!

One very unique and important part of the investigation is the Clue Trading element. Each team has a budget of fun money to spend with the Detective to buy sealed envelopes containing clues. These clues are critical to solving the case successfully...so trading, swapping and buying the limited number available is a unique part of the fun challenge!

Then decisions are made, solutions handed in and the murderer finally revealed during coffee when prizes are handed out to the best detectives, whilst the worst sleuths are named and shamed! There is also a limerick competition and a prize awarded for the best one.

A Downton Abbey style plot might be your cup of tea, or perhaps a modern TV mystery such as Great Bakery Bump Off is more your style, but with over 20 plots to choose from, we are sure to have the perfect scenario for your event.

***We guarantee an evening of top-quality entertainment with its tongue firmly in its cheek!***

