Tea Party Rental Terms for "My Love of Tea"

Fees:

- -An initial deposit of \$30 is collected at the time of booking. The remaining balance for the entire rental will be collected at drop-off. (There will be a receipt.)
- -Delivery and Pickup is a flat fee of \$20 round-trip. This is the price if you are under 30 minutes from where I live near the French Valley airport, in Winchester.

Note: Cleaning of dirty items is included

- -Vintage teacup and saucer **\$5** per person (50 in-stock)
- -Vintage silver-plated flatware (knife, fork, spoon) **\$3** per person (50 in-stock)
- -Vintage glass dessert plate **\$2** per person (40 in-stock)
- -Vintage floral dinner sized china plate **\$3** per person (20 in-stock)
- -Vintage drinking glass (depends on the style) **\$2-\$3** per person (Approximately 12 per style)

Other Items Available:

(Please inquire about prices and availability.)

- -cloth napkins vintage or new
- -vintage teapots
- -vintage vases
- -vintage silver punchbowl
- -vintage glass water pitchers
- -vintage cake stands
- -vintage porcelain platters
- -vintage silver platters, bowls and trays
- -vintage silver serving ware

- -tiered plate stands (3 available)
- -vintage cream and sugar sets
- -vintage tablecloths

Specialty Items for decor:

(Please inquire about prices and availability.)

- -vintage glass cruets for use as flower vases (40 available)
- -vintage typewriter
- -vintage books
- -vintage glass domes of various sizes
- -silver teapots, silver pitchers, and silver champagne buckets
- -vintage paper decor such as dictionary paper table-runners
- -paper garlands

(I am always looking to include more ideas. I will update this list as needed.)

Why rent?

-Hassel free

Convenient delivery and pickup to and from your home or venue.

-Clean up included

The time involved with handwashing vintage china, sorting it, and putting it away is an ordeal. You, on the other hand, get to relax as all the dirty rented items are taken-away and washed off-site.

-Beautiful photos

Everyone looks amazing when holding a vintage teacup. It's just a fact of life. Teacups and vintage lovelies make for happier guests and better photos.

-Better than plastic

Have you seen how pricey plastic cups, utensils, and plates are? A tea-party rental offers a reusable Earth-friendly alternative that allows this new generation to treasure once-loved heirlooms.

-Tailored to your needs

If you have a specific color scheme in mind, or decor style that you are looking to include, then we can work together on a plan. I love being creative and providing something unique.

-Choice

There are so many choices and options for creativity. The best part is that YOU get to decide what you want to include.

-Saves money

Yes. It's true. If you were to go to a tea house, or try to buy teacups on your own, the cost would be very high. Even if someone loaned you all the items you needed, everything would still need to be washed afterwards. If "time is money," then you are saving a fortune.

How to book?

- -Message with the following information:
 - 1. The date of the event
 - 2. Location of the event (This can be an address or nearest cross street and city.)
 - 3. Approximate number of guests
- -Be ready to either meet in-person or on the phone to talk about your needs and to decide on the inventory you require.
- -A \$30 deposit will be needed to guarantee your booking. A minimum two-week advance notice of cancellation is required for all refunds.

Questions and Answers:

Q: Are the items photographed on the website available?

A: Yes. Occasionally I will need to use a back-up teacup if one breaks. I also have more items available than what is photographed. This is why it is important to see the inventory in-person if possible.

Q: Is catering included?

A: No. I do not cater. However, if you are interested in gluten-free items, let me know. I enjoy baking and have some specialty items that might be available for purchase. If you are providing the food yourself, I would recommend a visit to Trader Joes. They have many items in the bakery aisle and frozen food section that would work beautifully for a tea party. The prices at Trader Joe's are fantastic too!

Q: What happens if a teacup breaks?

A: These teacups average between 25-45 dollars retail so please be extra careful. At drop-off we can do a full inspection and replace any teacups that show damage.

If during your event, a teacup or saucer is damaged, it will be unusable for future tea events. Please set aside the teacup and saucer in question. You will be asked to pay \$10 toward a replacement.

Q: How do I keep the teacups safe?

A: Avoid placing the tea cup in the microwave. The gold rim will spark and leave burn marks. Do not leave unfinished tea in the cup. The porcelain can stain easily. It is best to give a gentle rinse to the teacup after use and set aside on a safe surface. Do not place teacups in the dishwasher. The teacups will be delivered clean, and picked up dirty.

Q: What do I do after the tea party?

A: When waiting for pick-up, leave the rinsed teacups (the cleaning will happen after pick-up) on a flat surface. You can stack the saucers in groups. But please leave the rinsed teacups sitting upright without being stacked. Gather up any other rented items. Specific instructions will be provided and an agreed upon pick-up time will be scheduled.