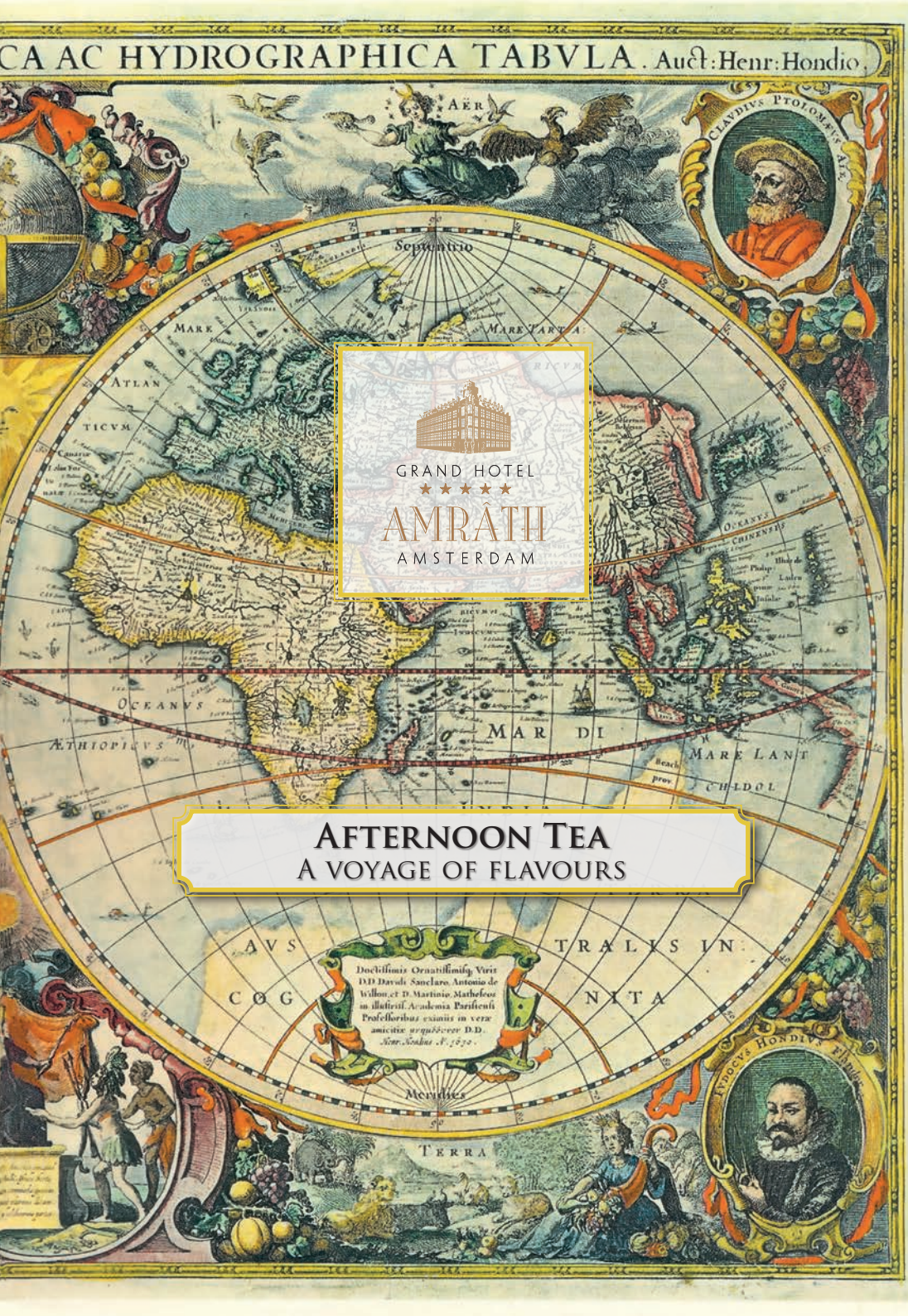

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AFTERNOON TEA
A VOYAGE OF FLAVOURS

Afternoon Tea at Het Scheepvaart Huis

A voyage of flavours

The voyage begins

There was a time when a journey began long before one stepped aboard a ship.

Within the grand halls of the Scheepvaarthuis, the Shipping House, passages were planned, tickets were secured and voyages to distant shores began to take shape.

Built in the early twentieth century as the headquarters of six leading Dutch shipping companies, the Scheepvaarthuis stood at the heart of a maritime world. From here, routes stretched beyond Amsterdam, across the Mediterranean and the great oceans, towards Africa, Asia and the Dutch East Indies.

The spirit of those journeys lives on within the building. Ships, anchors, waves, sea creatures and references to distant lands are carved, painted and sculpted throughout its remarkable interiors.

Our Afternoon Tea invites you to become part of that story. Each creation takes inspiration from the flavours, ingredients and destinations associated with these historic routes, beginning here in Amsterdam before setting sail for distant shores.







Before departure



Begin your voyage with your choice of:

Sun-drenched Bubbles
Cava

Crisp, elegant and refreshing, a sparkling start to the journey.

or

The Tea Passage
Cold-Brew Infused Tea · Non-Alcoholic

A refined alcohol-free alternative, delicately cold-brewed and inspired by the teas once carried from eastern shores to Europe.

Upgrade your voyage
Champagne
Exchange your Cava for Champagne and set sail with an extra touch of timeless luxury.
Supplement of € 10

Teas of the Trade Routes
Discover a selection of fine teas inspired by the historic trade routes connecting Amsterdam with the East.

Allow our team to guide you through today's selection and find a tea to accompany your journey.

Please inform our team of any allergies or dietary requirements.

First passage

From Amsterdam to European shores

The Scheepvaarthuis Tartare

Horseradish · Onion · Capers · Dijon mustard

A European classic reimagined in delicate layers. Hand-cut beef tartare is paired with horseradish cream, capers and Dijon mustard, bringing together the bold flavours of the continent before our journey turns towards the sea.

The Mediterranean Garden

Goat's Cheese · Fig · Green Peas

Whipped goat's cheese, sweet fig chutney and fresh green peas recall the gardens and sun-warmed shores of the Mediterranean. Delicate yet full of character, it marks our passage south as Amsterdam slowly disappears beyond the horizon.



The Captain's Choice

Crayfish · Courgette Madeleine

A delicate taste of the sea. A crayfish cocktail is presented within a homemade courgette madeleine, a playful tribute to the captains, crews and vessels whose lives were forever connected to the waters surrounding the Scheepvaarthuis.

The European coast fades from view. Ahead lie warmer waters and distant shores.

Eastward bound

Across the seas to Asia

The Eastern Passage

Duck · Hoisin · Orange · Crisp Wonton

As our voyage turns east, the flavours become deeper and more aromatic. Tender duck and rich hoisin are enclosed within a crisp wonton case, lifted by the brightness of orange. An elegant meeting of sweetness, spice and citrus inspired by the great routes towards Asia.

The Sailor's Catch

Tuna · Nori · Wasabi · Sesame

The journey carries us still farther east. Fresh tuna tartare rests within a delicate nori cup, accompanied by wasabi cream, sesame and chives. Clean, precise flavours evoke the cuisine of East Asia and the vast waters that connected its ports with Amsterdam.

Far from home, new flavours, fragrances and traditions await at every port.









TREASURES FROM DISTANT SHORES

THE SWEET PASSAGE

The Ruby Compass

Cherry · Chocolate · Profiterole

Like the compass that guided vessels across unfamiliar waters, our Ruby Compass marks the beginning of the homeward passage. A delicate profiterole filled with chocolate mousse and macerated cherries is finished in a gleaming ruby coating. A small jewel among the treasures of the voyage.

Pearls of the East

White Chocolate · Meringue · Crispy Rice

Delicate meringue, silken white chocolate mousse and crispy rice come together in a creation inspired by the treasures and ingredients carried along the eastern trading routes. Light, elegant and precious, like pearls brought home from distant shores.

The Golden Harbour

Lemon · Kadaif · Walnut

Fine strands of toasted kadaif form a golden nest around bright lemon curd and walnut crumble. Citrus, nuts and delicate pastry evoke the markets and ports encountered along the way as our vessel begins its westward journey home.







Salt of the Sea

Salted Caramel · Chocolate

Dark chocolate and salted caramel meet within a delicate chocolate tart. Rich and indulgent, with a touch of sea salt. A final reminder of the vast waters crossed throughout our voyage.





The Homecoming Apple

Slow-Cooked Apple · Crisp Filo

Our voyage returns to familiar shores. Slowly cooked apple is wrapped in fine filo pastry and baked until golden brown. Warm, comforting flavours mark the end of a long passage and the welcome sight of home.



RETURN TO HET SCHEEPVAART HUIS

EVERY VOYAGE TELLS A STORY

The ships returned, but their stories remained.
For generations, vessels connected Amsterdam with ports across the world, carrying passengers, cargo, flavours, ideas and stories across thousands of miles of open water.

Those journeys are still present within the Scheepvaarthuis.

Look closely and the building reveals them: ships carved into stone, waves captured in glass, sea creatures hidden amongst its decoration, and references to the oceans and distant lands that shaped its maritime past.

More than a century later, the Scheepvaarthuis welcomes travellers once again, today as Grand Hotel Amrâth Amsterdam.

Our Afternoon Tea is a celebration of that extraordinary heritage.
From European shores to the flavours of the East and finally the comforting tastes of the homeward journey, each creation tells a small part of a much greater story.

A story of Amsterdam.
A story of discovery.
A story written across the oceans.
And now, a story shared at your table.



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