# ARSENAL INDEPENDENT

#### SOME TIPS FOR YOUR SUPPORTERS VISITING ARSENAL

1) **Getting into the stadium**. Turnstiles will open ninety minutes before kick-off. There is a longer process to get into the Emirates these days, so the message is try to arrive early (60+ minutes?). It can sometimes get very chaotic in the last 15 minutes before kick-off.

Holloway Road\*, Finsbury Park and Arsenal (all Piccadilly line) and Highbury and Islington (Victoria) are all close enough to walk to the ground within about ten minutes or less. \*If you come from Holloway Road, you'll not be able to use it after. It's closed for two hours following the end of the game. Supporters coming by car, see (6) below.

- 2) Bag size. There is a limit of nothing bigger than A4. So a small rucksack or handbag. But travel with as little as possible. And usual rules on no bottles there's an official list of prohibited items below. All bags are searched and tagged prior to entry. We suggest using a clear or string bag it speeds up entry as they can see what you have and avoids their emptying out the contents on a table.
- 3) There's no 'away' pub nearby. The Drayton (the one people used to use) has reopned but it's now Arsenal supporters only. Alcohol is not allowed to be sold in the nearest shops, and it's not allowed to be brought into the stadium. If you want alcohol, it needs to be bought once inside the stadium . . . at Arsenal rates, I'm afraid (see below). You can bring in snacks and soft drinks that are in small plastic bottles or flasks (so long as they fit into that small bag!). Your best pub bet is near the main line stations.
- 4) The Emirates is CASHLESS so if you want to buy anything inside, you'll need plastic or your mobile to pay.
- 5) Food is available inside the Emirates. It's not bad but it's not cheap. Immediately outside, on the concourse around the stadium, there's virtually nothing, aside from programmes and toilets. But there are brilliant little cafes on the streets surrounding the concourse where you can sit down to eat (a really good café is in line of sight of the 'away' entrance 'Wagon Café' and it welcomes all supporters). Loads of other cafes and restaurants are slightly further afield (left or right out of Holloway Road tube, or left from Arsenal tube, along Gillespie Road, Blackstock Road, Finsbury Park, if you have your mobile maps). Plus the usual quota of burger vans on the roads surrounding the stadium.

#### 6) If you come by car.



The usual parking issues (generally, no parking available) have been exacerbated by Low Traffic Neighbourhoods. Roads around the stadium have been closed, but not physically - by barely visible signs, with camera enforcement (and £130 fines). If drivers see a low flying motorbike over a car sign (left) don't go past it.

- 7) The club tells us, 'For any ticketing enquiries on matchday, the Box Office is situated next to the Armoury Store on the west side of the Stadium.' That's the Holloway Road Tube station side, not the Arsenal tube side, so if you come from the latter, you have cross bridges to the pedestrianised exterior of the stadium and down steps to the 'west' side.
- 8) There are public toilets in the area immediately surrounding the outside of stadium. So no matter how desperate, please don't use people's gardens. (It's hard to believe but some fans do.)
- 9) There is a Foodbank donation point opposite turnstile entrances F and G (along the side of the stadium from the Away entrances to your right as you look at the clock on the stadium exterior). It takes cash and card donations as well as canned food, if you're feeling philanthropic and generous before the match!

Below is a menu from inside the stadium. There's also a whole load of bumph that our club sends yours, and we've put in links to that at the end. (Some computers need you need to copy and paste to make them come alive.)

FOOD	
Willy's beef mince & Westcombe cheddar cheese pie 352kcal	£6.75
Grass fed British beef mince, braised with Henderson's relish,	
root vegetables and rosemary. Finished with mustard and	
Westcombe Cheddar.	
Uncle Wrighty's roast chicken, sage & onion pie 428kcal	£6.75
Arsenal legend Ian Wright's take on a classic. Free range roast	
chicken, in a rich white sauce, alongside the ever reliable front	
three of softened onions, mustard and sage.	
Willy's Bombay potato & pea pie plant based 632kcal	£6.75
A fragrant spice blend mixed through root vegetables, peas,	
garlic and ginger. Finished with fresh coriander and mango	
chutney.	
Jumbo sausage roll 467kcal	£4.65 – single
	£7.30 – double
	£13.50 -
	quadruple

Mom's bad boy hot dog with onions 672kcal	£7.50
Plant based hot dog with onions 442kcal – VE	£7.50
The Gunner dog 768kcal	£9.25
Fajita chicken, caramelised onions, cheese sauce & spring	23.23
onions	
Hot dog & beer	£12.35
Choose a hot dog & Camden Hells/Pale Ale	
(Gunner Dog not included)	
Hot dog & soft drinks 768kcal	£10.20
Choose a hot dog & any hot/soft drink	
(Prime Hydration and Gunner Dog not included)	
ALCOHOLIC DRINKS	
Budweiser pint	£3.50 / £6.85
Camden Hells lager pint	£3.65 / £7.00
Camden Pale Ale pint	£3.65 / £7.00
Athletic Brewing Run Wild IPA 355ml 0.5% ABV 65kcal	£5.90
Wine PET 250ml; red 13.5%, white 12%, rose 11.5%	£8.95
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2 bottles of wine	£15.00
Choose from red, white or rose	
4 pints of Camden Hells	£25.00
SOFT DRINKS	
Soft drink 500ml; Pepsi max 2kcal, 7Up free 10kcal	£4.45
Soft drink pint Tango 6kcal, Pepsi Max 2kcal, 7UP Free 12kcal	£4.85
Water 500ml <i>Okcal</i>	£2.99
Prime Hydration Blue Raspberry 500ml 25kcal	£5.05
(seasonal flavours available throughout the year)	
Lavazza black coffee Okcal	£3.25
Bovril 22kcal	£3.25
Cadbury hot chocolate 96kcal	£3.25
Tea 1kcal	£3.25
SNACKS	
Grab bags; twirl bites 109g 578kcal, giant	£4.85
buttons 119g 637kcal, wine gums 165g 605kcal	
Joe & Seph's toffee gourmet popcorn sharing bag 60g 267kcal	£5.00
Arsenal Pick & Mix 200g 688kcal	£5.95
(plant based option available on request VE)	
Cadbury bar duo 54.4g: Dairy Milk 290kcal	£2.40
Pipers crisps 40g: salt &	£2.40

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https://www.arsenal.com/sites/default/files/documents/gun 1487945159 Arsenal FC Access Statement.pdf

#### Full stadium guide:

https://www.arsenal.com/sites/default/files/documents/Arsenal%20Visiting%20Supporters%20Guide.pdf

## Safety and security:

https://www.arsenal.com/emirates-stadium/matchday-safety-and-security

# The full ground regs:

https://www.arsenal.com/sites/default/files/documents/17.06.22%20-%20Ground%20Regulations%20%282017-2018%29%20%28FINAL%29\_0.pdf

