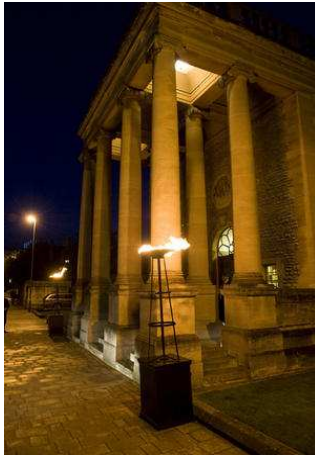


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## Press release

### Rhodes House opens its doors for an Elegant Christmas

#### About Rhodes House



Built as a memorial to Cecil Rhodes in 1928, Rhodes House is the headquarters of the Rhodes Trust which every year awards Rhodes Scholarships to outstanding students around the world. High profile recipients include former president of the United States, Bill Clinton and doctor and writer Edward de Bono.

The house itself resembles a Cotswold mansion and is perfectly suited to winter entertaining with interior features oak panelling, marble fireplaces and ceiling beams. It also offers flexible entertaining space in the form of the impressive Milner Hall which seats up to 140 for dinner and 200 for a reception, plus The Jameson Room and The Beit Room which are ideal for smaller functions of up to 70 guests.

Just in time for the festive season, a truly 'elegant' partnership has been formed between bespoke catering company, Elegant Cuisine and Rhodes House, home of the Rhodes Trust in Oxford.

Those looking to host an exclusive Christmas event have a unique opportunity to combine a 'one of a kind' venue with a custom made menu. Specially created packages offer the hire of Rhodes House and the choice of a traditional three course menu or sumptuous buffet. Reception drinks, wine on the tables, an after dinner bar and table decorations are just a few of the other elements included.

The 'Elegant Christmas at Rhodes House' package is priced at £95.00 per person plus VAT for Friday and Saturday evenings or £91.00 plus VAT for Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Further information can be found at:

<http://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk>

Elegant Cuisine is a top Oxfordshire-based caterer, run by a team who has the ability to offer an

unparalleled and flexible service. With meticulous attention to detail, the team applies an efficient and professional approach which ensures that each course, right down to the last canapé exceeds expectation. Elegant Cuisine menus utilise as much local produce as possible to ensure food miles are kept to a minimum. Ingredients are all sustainably sourced and have full traceability at any time.



Caroline Trevers, Elegant Cuisine said: "For those looking for an elegant but easy to buy option this Christmas party season, Elegant Cuisine and Rhodes House is the perfect partnership. Our package not only offers magnificent surroundings but also specially created menus which offer classic Christmas foods with a modern twist."

Isabelle Barber, events manager at Rhodes House said: "We are really pleased to be working with Elegant Cuisine. Party planners can be sure they will receive a menu of the highest quality in a setting suited to world class entertaining! Our guests have included Nelson Mandela and Australian Prime Minister, Bob Hawke. Just like the former we are confident our guests will have an 'unforgettable experience!' this Christmas."

#### **About Elegant Cuisine**

Elegant Cuisine is a dynamic, Oxfordshire-based event catering company run by a team of young professionals. The company is based at Millets Farm, Oxfordshire.

The company, which has become the preferred supplier for many leading venues and conferences, is one of the only local caterers that can deliver high quality standards for events of up to 800 guests. For further information please visit [www.elegantcuisine.com/home](http://www.elegantcuisine.com/home)

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