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# Diner en Blanc to offer Charleston-made picnics



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The cost of



Wine not included. (Provided)

attending [Diner en Blanc](#), the aggressively stylish pop-up picnic that's coming to Charleston in October, can mount

quickly.

While tickets are typically priced around \$50 a person, all the fee buys is the right to attend the regimented dinner: Attendees are still responsible for their all-white attire; tables and white tablecloths; white chairs and food packed in an appropriate basket. Jessica Sidman of Washington City Paper [last week reported](#) attendees of the D.C. event – one of 60 being held around the world this year – spent anywhere from \$99 to \$715.53 to comply with the rules (and not go home hungry.)

Here in Charleston, organizers are offering one potentially budget-friendly solution: Premade “baskets” (actually branded bags) with snacks from local restaurants. Ted’s Butcherblock, The Daily, Butcher & Bee and Caviar & Bananas are selling two-person packs for \$40-\$50. Featured items include dips, cheeses, charcuterie, fruit and fried chicken. Participants can purchase the picnics when registering.

Only invited guests are allowed to register for Diner en Blanc, but the hoi polloi can add their names to a waiting list. Invitations will be issued on Wednesday; open registration starts later this month.