

Birthday Parties

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Sidekick Coffee & Books

1310 1/2 Melrose Avenue

Iowa City, Iowa

Introduction

We're so excited that you're interested in hosting a birthday party at Sidekick! Please familiarize yourself with our private event terms and reach out to **Katy** (katy@sidekickcoffeebooks.com) to schedule your event!

Pricing & Packages

Birthday parties are **\$250.00 + 20% gratuity** for 2 hours at Sidekick. Payment plus gratuity are due at the time of booking. This rate allows for 12 party guests, including the birthday child. Adults are invited to attend at no additional cost. All children under the age of 14 will be counted as a birthday party guest unless otherwise discussed with Sidekick. Each additional guest will be an additional \$9.00. Combine up to two packages for \$300! Let us take care of all the fun AND mess!

Packages

Board Game Package

Sidekick will provide several board games for party guests to play.

Book Trivia Package

Book Trivia catered to the birthday kid's favorite genre lead by a Sidekick Team Member.

Chugga Chugga Choo Choo Package

Build a train track through the bookshop (around the hexagon area if scheduled during open hours) with the help of the Sidekick Team! Decorate your very own wooden train to take home and listen to stories about trains!

Murder Mystery Package (ages 10+ and must be scheduled after hours)

Invite your friends to solve an interactive mystery in a bookstore! Each guest will be given a character and all will race to solve the case!

Stuffie Tea Party Package

\$25

All tea attendees and their stuffies will be served tea (hot cocoa or lemonade) in a whimsical setting. *Always by My Side: A Stuffie Story* by Jennifer Black Reinhardt will be read while guests decorate a tea cup to take home.

Karaoke Package \$25
Sing along to your favorite songs using Sidekick's Karaoke Machine, take photos on our red carpet, and visit our temporary tattoo parlor!

Ice Cream Float Flight Package \$50.00
12 guests get an ice cream float flight! Each additional flight is \$9.00/each.

Camp Under the Books Package (must be scheduled after hours) \$50
Let us bring the outdoors inside for a campout! We will serve s'more hot cocoa and have adorable tents for reading!

Face Painting Package \$50.00
12 guests get their face painted with their favorite animal! Each additional child is \$5.00/each.

100 Pounds of Kinetic Sand Package \$50.00
Kids play with kinetic sand with a variety of ocean-themed toys perfect for the sand.

Under the Sea Package (not included in the package combo) \$100
Decorate and embellish your own mermaid tail in our under the sea setting! Guests will be served mini tropical smoothies and listen to stories about the ocean. Mermaid tails are available in child sizes 4,5, and 6.

Scheduling

Private events can be scheduled every day of the week from 6:30-8:30pm . Events need to be scheduled at least 3 weeks prior to the event so we can be properly staffed. We are willing to discuss different time options, but the shop will remain open during regular hours, and the area by the hexagons will be reserved. Price does not change.

Our Space

Parties at Sidekick give guests exclusive access to our whole shop. We have 8 large tables, 4 small round tables, and a sofa area seating 6 people. Party hosts can bring their own decorations, but they may not damage walls or furniture. Hosts must clean up any decorations, food, etc. that they bring into Sidekick.

Food, Drinks, and Books

Food and drinks from Sidekick will be available to purchase during the party! This includes a full coffee & espresso bar, baked goods, ice cream, and wine/cocktails for adults! Event hosts can give each party guest the option to pick out a book as a party favor, which can be paid for at the end of the night.

Catering

Catering (including birthday cookie cakes) is available through The Eat Shop. [See Menu](#). All other vendors must be approved by Sidekick. No homemade food is allowed. Vendors must use disposable dishes or be taken home at the end of the night. Sidekick will not wash outside dishes.

Cancellation Terms

Events must be canceled 48 hours prior to the event to receive a full refund. Events can be rescheduled at no additional cost.

Liability

Event host will be held liable for all damages during the event. All hosts must sign a liability form two weeks prior to the event.