



YOUR WEDDING DAY

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Congratulations

Congratulations on saying 'yes' to your favourite person! It's time to start planning your big day and planning awesome weddings and events just happens to be right up our street.

Our beloved country house is set within 50 acres of stunning Berkshire countryside and boasts stunning ceremony spots, rambling gardens and an array of function facilities including our gorgeous 17th century converted barn. As the former home of the Marquis of Ormonde, our venue has a grand yet homely feel with quirky and eccentric surprises at every turn. Built in 1880 as a residential property; we magically manage to offer a layout that feels purpose built for weddings - offering separate spaces for the ceremony, drinks reception and wedding breakfast, as well as accommodation for your wedding guests.

We are independently owned and like to think we are a little bit different from other wedding venues. We offer our couples the freedom and flexibility to make our house feel like their home for the day and are able to offer both exclusive and non-exclusive use as well as cater for weddings large and small.



The Ceremony

The wedding ceremony is arguably the most important part of any wedding day and it deserves a space that is pretty special and we happen to have three of them...

If you are thinking grand and traditional then our Oak Room could be the perfect space for your 'I do's'. An Edwardian extension to our main house; the Oak Room boasts original oak panelling, ornate fire place and large windows overlooking our gorgeous south facing gardens. The Oak Room can seat up to 80 guests for a ceremony using limewash Chivari chairs set-up in a traditional ceremony layout.

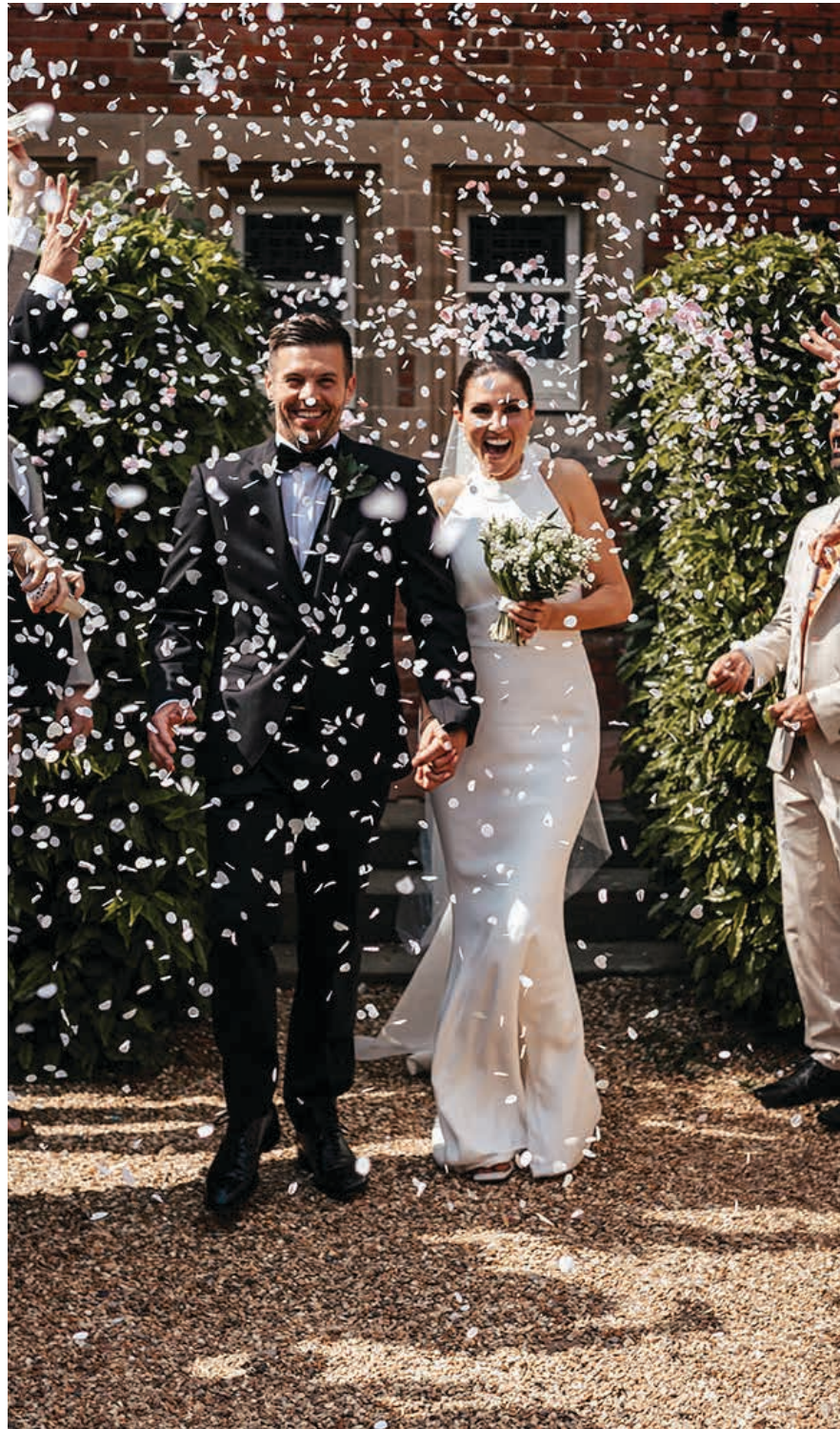
Alternatively our outdoor bandstand offers one of the most romantic spots to tie the knot. Located in the heart of our English summer garden and overlooking an abundance of lavender and roses our bandstand is a dreamy blank canvas for any style savvy couple. Our outdoor ceremony space can accommodate up to 100 guests.

And last but not least we have our 17th century converted barn – a rustic yet contemporary space perfect for couples who want an indoor ceremony space for over 80 guests.

It is the responsibility of the wedding party to book and pay for the registrar to conduct their ceremony.

Wokingham Registry Office - 01189 746000.





Drinks Reception

Once your wedding ceremony has finished and you are officially married, it's time for the celebrations to begin. Our English country garden with sweeping lawns is the ideal space for any drinks reception; with outdoor seating and plenty of space for guests to mingle. Prosecco, is of course the go to reception drink but we can also offer some great alternatives; Pimms, Aperol Spritz, Gin and Tonics or Bottled Beers served in our resident gardener's wheel barrow. And don't forget the canapes – a star of any drinks reception and a firm favourite with wedding guests. Why not have some live music in our bandstand or garden games on our sweeping lawns, there is plenty of room for croquet, giant Jenga or even mini golf.

This is of course England and although most couples dream of the sun beating down on them during their wedding day, it is important to have a wet weather contingency plan. Luckily our wedding team are always one step ahead; with our bar/lounge area reserved for a wedding's exclusive use in case of bad weather.



The Wedding Breakfast

So just in case you are not familiar with the term 'Wedding Breakfast', it's not actually breakfast and unlikely to take place in the morning. It is however the first meal of your married life and is your main eating event, traditionally taking place after the drinks reception and before the speeches.

Talking of Wedding Breakfasts; we like to think our 17th Century converted barn is a pretty perfect space for your wedding meal. Our barn can accommodate up to 100 guests for a Wedding Breakfast and is full of personality – boasting original oak beams, exposed rafters and a working fire place (making those winter weddings super warm and cosy). Our barn also benefits from having its own private bar facility, modern toilets and access to an ornate courtyard garden adorned with festoon lighting – it's a practical wedding venue with heaps of rustic charm.

Thinking of a more intimate micro style wedding – no problem; both our Oak Room and Garden Rooms are smaller private dining rooms in our main house and are perfect for a more relaxed style celebration.



The Party

We love a party and we think we have THE best space to do it. Our 17th century barn is a self contained room offering a bar, seating, toilets and dance floor all in the same area (this means your guests won't be scattered across different rooms throughout the evening). Our barn can accommodate up to 120 guests for an evening reception.

The traditional wedding evening buffet has had a make-over these days and there are so many mouth watering options that can be offered – how about homemade pizza from our very own wood-fired pizza oven, sizzling BBQ's in our courtyard or a hearty hog roast, the ideas are endless...



Accommodation

Cantley House offers 36 charming en-suite bedrooms located in both our main house and Clock Tower extension which runs adjacent to our wedding barn. We think accommodation is a must for any wedding and love that no one has to leave early to grab a taxi home or stay in accommodation elsewhere. Breakfast is always full of laughter and joy the next day and we adore hearing the stories from the night before over a large cooked breakfast.

Our rooms are a mix of Standard Doubles, Superior Doubles, Deluxe Doubles and Suites. Many rooms are big enough to facilitate extra beds so families can be accommodated.



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