




Abbots Court

RURAL RETREAT

Weddings



A romantic wedding scene featuring a bride and groom. The groom, on the left, is wearing a dark suit and a white shirt with a dark bow tie. He is looking down at the bride with a gentle expression. The bride, on the right, is wearing a white wedding dress with lace detailing and a white headband. She is holding a large bouquet of flowers, including white and orange roses, and looking down at them. The background is softly blurred, showing a window with light coming through and some indoor plants. The overall mood is intimate and tender.

*'Once in a while, right in
the middle of an ordinary
life...love gives us a
fairytale.'*

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Welcome

Nestled in six acres of woodlands, meadows and country fields, with its own original walled garden and wood fired hot-tub, guests will be able to enjoy the simple pleasures in life - long lazy walks through the rolling Dorset countryside, roaring log fires, and cosy evenings spent in the company of those you love.

A true Dorset gem.

A woman with dark, wavy hair is sitting on a pink upholstered chair. She is wearing a white, off-the-shoulder wedding dress with intricate lace detailing and a long, flowing train. She is also wearing white lace-up high-heeled shoes. The room has patterned wallpaper, a white bedside table with a lamp, and a bed with white linens and a brown quilted blanket.

Bridal Suite

Wake up to the tranquillity of the Dorset countryside in our light and spacious bridal suite.

Complete with a lavish en suite bathroom, chester long, dressing table, king size bed and full length mirror our bridal suite provides the perfect place for getting ready and enjoying those final moments with your bridal party.

Ceremony

Abbots Court is licensed to hold civil ceremonies in your choice of either of the houses principal rooms (30 max), the newly renovated Stables (80 max) or on the lawn of the walled garden (150 max - weather permitting).

For a more traditional ceremony, St Nicholas church in Winterborne Kingston is only a 5 minute walk away.

Whichever location you choose, your wedding planner and team will help make sure your day is uniquely yours.





Reception

Celebrate your first meal together with those closest to you overlooking the stunning lawns and fields beyond. Our carefully selected caterers provide an unrivalled level of service and will cater for your every need. The bar is on hand throughout the day and night serving an unrivalled selection of wines, spirits and local craft ales.







Evening Celebration

Celebrate your first afternoon as Mr & Mrs in the walled garden taking advantage of our petanque terrain and outdoor games before retiring to our private bar for all of your favourite tipples whilst our record player provides the perfect soundtrack.

As your evening guests arrive, look to the band or DJ and get ready for an evening of dancing and celebrations.



Accommodation

Abbots Court offers 18 guests two nights of luxurious accommodation split over three floors in the Country House. Six beautiful first floor bedrooms decorated in a modern Farrow & Ball palette, all with private ensuite bathrooms, luxurious bedding and stunning views with a further two bedroom studio in the eaves plus a ground floor ensuite bedroom for disabled access.

Looking for additional accommodation? We are delighted to offer x6 Glamping Pods on site each furnished with a double bed.



Hire & Booking

Abbots Court is exclusively yours from 3pm on the Friday of your booking until midday on the Sunday. Thursday and Sunday nights can be added on request. Or talk to us about a 'Wedding week' with 7 nights included in your stay.

WEDDING HIRE INCLUDES:

- Exclusive use of Abbots Court and grounds for 2 nights
- Accommodation in the main house for up to 20 People
- Use of the Victorian Stables for your ceremony
- Use of the walled Wedding Garden
- Tables and chairs for both ceremony and reception
- Use of our bar and kitchen
- Dedicated wedding coordinator
- One housekeeping visit per stay
- On site parking





Extras Include

- Additional Glamping Corner (up to 6 pods)
- Additional accommodation at Almer Manor
- Additional night stay
- Registrar Services
- Catering
- Photography
- Styling
- Flowers

Bookings will be confirmed upon receipt of a non-refundable deposit and dates will be held for a maximum of 2 weeks.

A bouquet of white, pink, and yellow flowers in a glass vase on a table in front of a window. The flowers include white chrysanthemums, pink chrysanthemums, and yellow chrysanthemums, along with green foliage. The vase is on a white table, and the background shows a window with a view of greenery outside.

Venue Hire Fees

2023..... £12,500
2024..... £13,750

The venue hire fee includes the hire of the main house (from 15:00 on the Friday through to Midday on the Sunday), The Stable for the ceremony, the Walled Wedding Garden, the Marquee and bar for the wedding breakfast and reception, all tables and chairs, assistance with wedding co-ordination and one housekeeping visit per stay.

Frequently Asked Questions

CAN I PROVISIONALLY HOLD A DATE?

You may hold a date for a period of 14 days before the deposit is due.

WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE VENUE HIRE FEE?

The venue hire fee includes the hire of the main house (from 15:00 on the Friday through to midday on the Sunday), The Stables for the ceremony, The Pavilion for the wedding breakfast, tables and chairs and assistance with wedding coordination.

WHEN DO WE GET ACCESS TO THE VENUE FOR SET UP?

Access can be arranged 24 hours prior to the day of the wedding.

DO YOU ALLOW CANDLES?

Yes you may use candles and tea lights provided they are in fireproof containers, candles and the positioning is agreed with the venue staff.

HOW DO WE CONFIRM A BOOKING?

A non refundable deposit of £1,000 along with the signed booking form adhering to our wedding terms and conditions will confirm your booking, A further 40% is payable 6 months prior with the balance and security deposit due 6 weeks before the day.

IS CONFETTI PERMITTED

Provided the confetti used is bio-degradable dried petals then it is permitted.

WHAT DO YOU OFFER FOR CHILDREN?

Children have access to our six acres of grounds, including rope swings, outdoor games, petanque terrain, climbing frame and vintage tractor. We can recommend a nanny service on request.

CAN WE GET MARRIED OUTSIDE?

Yes we are licensed for outdoor ceremonies. Your wedding coordinator will liaise with you 48 hours before the day to discuss the weather forecast. A final decision must be made 24 hours prior.

DO WE HAVE TO CONTACT THE REGISTRARS?

Once you have placed a provisional hold with us we suggest you contact the registrar to confirm your required date and availability. Dorset Registrars can be contacted on 01305 225153 and usually book dates for up to 18 months in advance.

DO YOU SUPPLY A PA SYSTEM?

Yes we do. Our PA system can be used both inside and outdoors and we also have microphones for the speeches. We do not allow the use of external PA's other than our own.



Frequently Asked Questions

CAN WE HAVE FIREWORKS?

Fireworks are not permitted at any time. Sparklers, hand held lanterns or Chinese lanterns are a potential fire hazard and are therefore not permitted either.

CAN WE BRING OUR OWN ALCOHOL?

You may bring your own alcohol to be served up to the end of the Wedding breakfast (corkage charges apply). Our bar will be operational during your drinks reception and for the evening reception. Please speak with our Wedding Coordinator for further details.

CAN WE PROVIDE OUR OWN CATERING?

All food consumed on the premises with the exception of the wedding cake is to be provided by our nominated caterers.

HOW MANY PEOPLE CAN YOU SIT ON EACH TABLE?

Our tables are 10 x 6" round tables seating a maximum of 10 per table.

CAN WE HAVE ADDITIONAL EVENING GUESTS?

Yes, provided the maximum number does not exceed 150.

ARE PETS ALLOWED?

Well behaved dogs are welcomed... Please bear in mind that dogs are only allowed within our grounds and the surrounding fields are private property belonging to Abbots Court Farm.

CAN GUESTS PARK OVERNIGHT?

Yes your guests are welcome to leave their cars overnight.

WHAT TIME DOES THE MUSIC HAVE TO STOP?

We are licensed for live music until 11pm. Guests will have until midnight to make their way to their transport. Charges will apply past 12:00am.

DOES THE BAR TAKE CARD?

Yes, our bar takes both cash and card payments.

IS THERE ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATION NEARBY?

We are fortunate to have several places in close proximity. Please speak to your co-ordinator for recommendations.

IS THE VENUE WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE?

Yes most areas are accessible for wheelchair users. There is also one ensuite ground floor bedroom.





Catering

We have our trusted caterers that we work with at Abbots Court, these are;

AKO DINING

T: 07464 236465

E: info@akodining.co.uk

BREAD & FLOWERS

T: 01722 326581

E: bee@breadandflowers.co.uk

MOLECULAR CATERING

T: 01202 041760

E: magic@molecularmagic.co

You may choose any of these to be caterer for your special day. Food trucks may be hired for the evening. Please speak with our wedding co-ordinator for further details.

Recommended Suppliers

Photography

SAMANTHA DAVIS

T: 07970 054475

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T: 07496 015499

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Cakes and Styling

FANCIE BUNS

T: 07796 614978

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LISA NOTLEY

T: 07818 201074

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HOUSE OF STYLING

T: 07712 672275

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MARTHA & THE MEADOW (Emma Whicher)

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ARCADE FLOWERS

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