

Bespoke Weddings

at Port Lympne Hotel & Reserve

If our packages aren't what you are looking for, we would be happy to discuss and create a bespoke package based on your requirements for your day.

In order to put together your quote please provide us with the following information:

Preferred wedding date

Number of day time guests

Number of evening guests

Food preference

Preferred area

Wedding theme

Budget

If you would like to come and visit us here at Port Lympne Hotel & Reserve for a viewing, or to discuss your requirements in more detail, please contact our wedding professionals on 01303 234111 or email us at

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Weddings at Port Lympne Hotel

Classic

AVAILABLE SUNDAY - FRIDAY excluding bank holidays

- Our wedding coordinator to assist in the planning and organisation of your special day.
- Exclusive use of the Aspinall Suite with private bar for your wedding breakfast and evening reception.
- Full use of our beautiful landscaped hotel gardens for your photographs.
- Dedicated toastmasters to ensure the smooth running of events on the day (yourtoastmasters.co.uk).
- Ivory coloured post box.
- Cake table, silver stand and knife.
- Complimentary parking.
- Wooden easel to display your seating plan.
- Microphone for speeches.
- Docking station for wedding breakfast music.
- Custom designed invitations, place cards, table menu, numbers and table plan (inkipinki-weddings.co.uk).
- White table linen and napkins.
- Chair dressing, with a choice of sash colour (bowschaircovers.co.uk).
- Reception drink per person.
- 3 course wedding breakfast.
- One bottle of white wine and red wine per table.
- Tea or coffee per person.
- A glass of sparkling wine per person for toast drinks.
- Chef's choice - evening buffet.*
- DJ until midnight for the evening reception.
- Private cash bar until midnight.

Pricing : 2019

	Jan - April, Nov Sunday - Friday	May - Oct, Dec** Sunday - Friday
50 guests	£9,000	£10,000
70 guests	£11,100	£12,100
100 guests	£14,250	£15,250

Additional adult guest £105.00 Additional child guest £45.00
Evening only guest £18.95 per adult, £6.95 per child

Pricing : 2020

	Jan - April, Nov Sunday - Friday	May - Oct, Dec** Sunday - Friday
50 guests	£10,000	£11,000
70 guests	£12,100	£13,100
100 guests	£15,250	£16,250

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Weddings at Port Lympne Hotel

Winter Wedding

AVAILABLE SUNDAY - WEDNESDAY excluding bank holidays

- Exclusive use of Port Lympne Hotel from 12pm until midnight.
- Full use of our beautiful, landscaped gardens for your photographs.
- Our wedding coordinator to assist in the planning and organisation of your special day.
- White table linen and napkins.
- Chair dressing, with a choice of sash colour (bowschaircovers.co.uk).
- Ivory coloured post box.
- Silver cake stand and knife.
- Complimentary parking.
- Reception drink per person.
- Canapés - pigs in blankets, brie & cranberry croutons, mini yorkshire pudding with beef and horseradish.
- Three course wedding breakfast.
- Tea and coffee, served with mince pies.
- A glass of sparkling wine per person, for toast drinks.
- Chef's choice - evening buffet.*
- Private cash bar until midnight.
- DJ until midnight for the evening reception.
- Eight bedrooms in Port Lympne Hotel (subject to availability).

Pricing : 2019**

30 guests	£9,285
50 guests	£10,999

Additional day guest:

Adult	£82.50 per person
Child	£43.50 per person
Evening guest	£18.95 per person

Dates available from 27th November to 3rd January. Excludes 25th/26th/31st December and 1st January

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Weddings at Port Lympne Hotel

Intimate

AVAILABLE SUNDAY - WEDNESDAY excluding bank holidays

- Exclusive use of Port Lympne Hotel and gardens from 12pm until midnight.
- Our wedding coordinator to assist in the planning and organisation of your special day.
- Full use of our beautiful landscaped hotel gardens for your photographs.
- Ivory coloured post box.
- Wooden easel to display your seating plan.
- Docking station for your wedding breakfast music.
- Silver cake stand and knife.
- White table linen and napkins.
- Chair dressing, with a choice of sash colour (bowschaircovers.co.uk).
- Complimentary parking.
- Reception drink per person.
- Three course wedding breakfast.
- Tea or coffee per person.
- A glass of sparkling wine per person for toast drinks.
- Chef's choice - evening buffet.*
- DJ until midnight for the evening reception.
- Private cash bar until midnight.
- Eight bedrooms in Port Lympne Hotel (subject to availability).

Pricing : 2019

Jan - Dec Sunday - Wednesday

30 guests	£9,520
50 guests	£11,205

Pricing : 2020

Jan - Dec Sunday - Wednesday

30 guests	£13,250
50 guests	£14,205

Additional adult guest £80.00 Additional child guest £30.00
Evening only guest £18.95 per adult, £6.95 per child

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Weddings at Port Lympne Hotel

Indulgence

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AVAILABLE MONDAY - SUNDAY

- Exclusive use of Port Lympne Hotel and gardens, Moroccan Courtyard and Aspinall Suite from 12pm until midnight.
- Our wedding coordinator to assist in the planning & organisation of your special day.
- Use of our beautiful landscaped gardens for your photographs.
- Custom designed invitations, place cards, table menu, numbers and table plan (inkipinki-weddings.co.uk).
- Dedicated toastmasters to ensure the smooth running of events on the day (yourtoastmasters.co.uk).
- Ivory coloured post box.
- Cake table, silver stand and knife.
- Choice of colour table runner and napkins from our handpicked selection (bowschaircovers.co.uk).
- Chair dressing, with a choice of sash colour (bowschaircovers.co.uk).
- Complimentary parking.
- Bridal changing room for the morning of your wedding day, with a selection of pastries and a bottle of Prosecco.
- Harp duo playing your ceremony music (2ofharps.com).
- Pimms or Prosecco station for your reception drinks.
- Canapés (three per person).
- Four course wedding breakfast, including starter, main, dessert and cheese board.
- One bottle of white wine, red and rosé per table.
- Tea, coffee and petit fours.
- Bottle of still and sparkling water per table.
- Glass of Prosecco for additional evening guests.
- Private safari for your wedding guests.
- A glass of sparkling wine per person for toast drinks.
- Hog roast or BBQ evening buffet.
- DJ until midnight for the evening reception.
- Private cash bar until midnight.
- Eight bedrooms in Port Lympne Hotel (subject to availability).

Pricing : 2019	Jan - April, Nov Sunday - Friday	May - Oct, Dec** Sunday - Friday
50 guests	£17,374	£19,374
70 guests	£20,100	£22,100
100 guests	£23,465	£25,465

Additional adult guest £145.00, Additional child guest £65.00

Evening only guest £18.95 per adult, £9.95 per child.

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Weddings at Giraffe Cottage

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AVAILABLE WEDNESDAY - SATURDAY

- Our wedding coordinator will assist in the planning and organisation of your special day.
- Exclusive use of Giraffe Cottage for up to 8 people.
- Full use of the garden for your photographs.
- Overnight stay for up to 8 guests.
- Far reaching views over the African Experience.
- Private ranger guided safari through the African and Asian plains.
- Welcome glass of bubbly on arrival at Giraffe Cottage.
- A delicious four course meal prepared by your own personal chef.
- Full English breakfast the following morning cooked by your own personal chef.
- Private Safari back to guest services in the morning.
- Complimentary parking.
- Towels, bathrobes and toiletries.
- Complimentary entrance to Port Lympne Hotel and Reserve.
- Complimentary entrance to Howletts Wild Animal Park.

Pricing : 2019

8 guests

Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday

from £950

Fridays

from £1250

Saturdays and school holidays

from £1450

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Weddings at Lime Tree Avenue Marquee

Classic

Day

- Our wedding coordinator to assist in the planning and organisation of your special day.
- Full use of the tiered gardens for your photographs.
- Wooden easel to display your seating plan.
- Tables, chairs, cutlery, crockery and glassware.
- White table linen.
- Choice of colour table runner and napkins from our handpicked selection (bowschaircovers.co.uk).
- Three course wedding breakfast.
- ½ bottle of wine per person served during the wedding breakfast.
- Bottled water on the tables.
- A glass of Prosecco per person for toast drinks.
- Chefs choice evening buffet.*
- DJ entertainment until midnight.
- Private cash bar until midnight.
- Complimentary parking.

Pricing :	2019
80 guests	£14,505

Additional adult guest	£125.00
Additional child guest	£85.00

Evening

- Our wedding coordinator to assist in the planning and organisation of your special day.
- Full use of the tiered gardens for your photographs.
- Tables, chairs, cutlery, crockery and glassware.
- White table linen.
- Choice of colour table runner and napkins from our handpicked selection (bowschaircovers.co.uk).
- BBQ or hog roast evening buffet.
- DJ entertainment until midnight.
- Private cash bar until midnight.
- Complimentary parking.

Pricing :	2019
80 guests	£9050

Additional adult guest	£18.95
Additional child guest	£6.95

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Weddings at Bear Lodge

Classic

Day

- Our wedding coordinator will assist in the planning and organisation of your special day.
- Exclusive use of Bear Lodge for your wedding day.
- Complimentary parking.
- Wooden easel to display your seating plan.
- Full use of the grounds for your photographs.
- Stretch tent for outside celebrant led ceremony or evening reception.
- Tables, chairs, glassware, crockery and cutlery.
- Private bar and restaurant area for your wedding breakfast and evening reception.
- Kids outside playing area.
- Dedicated toastmasters to ensure the smooth running of your day (yourtoastmasters.co.uk).
- Choice of colour table runner and napkins (bowschaircovers.co.uk).
- Reception drink per person - choice of sparkling wine or Pimms.
- ½ a bottle of wine per person (including white, red and rosé).
- BBQ for your wedding breakfast.
- Private safari for your wedding guests.
- DJ entertainment from 7pm until midnight.
- All 19 authentic, en-suite safari tents sleeping 7-8 guests per tent.

Evening

- Our wedding coordinator will assist in the planning and organisation of your special day.
- Exclusive use of Bear Lodge for your wedding day.
- Complimentary parking.
- Tables, chairs, glassware, crockery and cutlery.
- DJ entertainment from 7pm until midnight.
- All 19 authentic, en-suite safari tents sleeping 7-8 guests per tent.
- Hog Roast or BBQ evening buffet.

Pricing :	2019	2020
50 guests	from £16,400	from £17,750
Additional adult guest £55.00 Additional child guest £25.00		
Evening only guest £18.95 per adult, £6.95 per child		

Pricing :	2019	2020
50 guests	from £12,070	from £13,070
Evening only guest £18.95 per adult, £6.95 per child		

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Weddings

Open Days and Wedding Fayre

Port Lympne would like to invite you to take a tour of the historic building, its beautiful ground floor rooms, picturesque gardens and decorated Lime Tree Avenue Marquee.

Wedding Fayre - 23rd September 2018 10 - 2.30pm

Autumn Themed Open Day - 14th October 2018 10 - 2.30pm

Winter Themed Open Day - 2nd December 2018 12 - 4pm

Couples looking for the perfect wedding venue will be welcomed by Port Lympne's experienced wedding coordinators and will also be able to meet some trusted suppliers as they explore the unique licensed locations surrounded by Port Lympne Hotel & Reserve.

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Sample Menus

Canapé Menu

3 canapés per person £9.00

5 canapés per person £14.00

(Please choose from the options below)

Mini sausages with mustard mash

Pigs in blankets

Asian duck and mango salsa tartlet

Gravlax en croute

Mini Yorkshire pudding with local beef

Filo prawns

Rolled smoked salmon, dill and cream cheese

Mini salmon fishcake balls

Goats cheese, sun blushed tomato and basil pesto en croute

Parmesan and paprika bread sticks

Roast pepper, aubergine and courgette stacks

Brie and red onion chutney en croute

Chicken and chorizo arancini balls

Roasted Mediterranean vegetable arancini balls

Evening Buffet

Please choose 2 items from Light Bites and Sides

Sandwiches / Rolls

(Please choose 3 fillings)

Chicken, bacon and mayo

Prawn and Marie-rose sauce

Ashmore cheese and tomato chutney

Sausage and bacon

Light Bites

Roasted red pepper and onion quiche

Chicken and bacon quiche

BBQ chicken wings

Prawn skewers

Sides

Chips

Salad

Coleslaw

Wedges

Desserts

£2 supplement per person

Chef's choice desserts

Allergy Information: Some of our foods may contain nuts and other allergens.

If you have any specific dietary requirements, please speak to a member of our team who can advise you on your choice.

Weddings

Sample Menus

Hog Roast

(charges apply)

Locally reared, carved, free-range roast hog, served with Kentish apple sauce, stuffing, crackling and sauces

Portobello flat mushrooms, filled with garlic and cheese, served with potato salad, coleslaw, wedges and rolls

Chef's choice dessert (supplement of £2 per person)

BBQ

(charges apply)

Local sausages (vegetarian sausages available on request)

Beef burgers (vegetarian burgers available on request)

Sweet chilli chicken wings

Portabello mushrooms in garlic butter

Tiger prawn kebab

BBQ ribs

Served with coleslaw, mixed salad, cous cous, burger baps and baguettes

Chef's choice desserts

Cubs Menu

Starters

Fan of melon

Cheesy garlic bread

Mains

Penne pasta - tomato and basil sauce

Fish goujons - chips or mashed potato and baked beans or salad

Chicken goujons - chips or mashed potato and baked beans or salad

Desserts

Seasonal fruit salad

Ice cream selection

Chocolate brownie and vanilla ice cream

Drinks

Arrival glass of fruit juice

Fruit shoot served during wedding breakfast

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Sample Menus

Choose from two starters, two main courses and two desserts

Starters

English pea and ham hock soup

Heritage tomato and buffalo mozzarella salad

basil pesto, reduced balsamic

Roasted pepper, tomato, red onion and basil bruschetta

Slow confit chicken

tarragon and whole grain mustard terrine, aioli, micro herbs

Smoked duck salad

toasted pine nuts, garlic croutons, parmesan crisps, honey and mustard dressing

Seared herb crusted beef carpaccio

sun blushed tomato, rocket salad

Smoked salmon mousse

roasted red pepper, avocado vinaigrette

Mains

Beetroot and goats cheese risotto

watercress, parmesan

Slow braised crispy belly of pork

fondant potato, creamed cabbage, apple puree, Doreen black pudding, red wine jus

Pan fried Barbary duck breast

fondant potato, buttered summer cabbage, honey and thyme jus

Corn fed chicken supreme

fondant potato, tender stem broccoli, tarragon jus

Sirloin of beef

creamy mashed potato, caramelised baby onions, green beans, baby carrots

Poached sea trout with an herb crust

saffron new potatoes, curly kale, mussel veloute

Seared fillet of sea bream

seafood risotto, mussels, clam cocktail, prawns, squid dressed watercress, shaved parmesan

Desserts

Classic vanilla crème brûlée

poached rhubarb

Chocolate torte

chocolate sauce, honeycomb

Seasonal crumble

custard

Caramel pannacotta

ginger parkin

Poached pears

red wine syrup, blackcurrant sorbet

Cheeseboard

cheese, biscuits, fruit and tomato chutney

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General Information

Ceremonies

The Registrar is booked directly through your wedding coordinator and a fee is required and payable to secure the date.

We can accommodate licensed ceremonies as follows:

The Long Room: up to 100 people

The Spencer Roberts Room: up to 50 people

Iceberg or Southern Terrace (outside): up to 200 people

Moroccan Courtyard: up to 30 people

Bear Lodge: up to 120 people

Aspinall Suite up to 180 people

We also recommend using a celebrant for your wedding day to add those personal touches to your ceremony (www.celebrant-uk.co.uk).

Menus

Our menus change annually; please speak to your wedding coordinator for further information. We ask the bridal couple to choose 2 starters, 2 main courses and 2 desserts for their wedding party. We then ask for individual orders of these choices to be added to a spreadsheet, to ensure quick and efficient service is delivered on your big day.

Quotes

Quotes are correct at time of writing however; if the offer is not taken up within two weeks of publication, HPLE cannot be held to the prices.

Provisional bookings

We are pleased to hold a provisional booking for 2 weeks without any obligation. During this period, we will notify you of any other enquiries we receive, in order to give you first choice.

Use of your own equipment

If you wish to bring in outside equipment, this is at the discretion of your coordinator, on the evidence that the item or items have been tested as safe for use.

Professional entertainers and performing rights

We ask you to inform us in writing if you intend to engage the services of a third party or professional entertainers to perform at your function e.g. a band. We recommend using our resident DJ; please ask your coordinator for more details.

Third party contractors

For any third-party contractors such as caterers under your instruction, you must ensure current and adequate Public Liability Insurance is in place.

Hotel

If the couple chooses not to book all of the rooms, then HPLE reserves the right to fill the bedrooms with the general public who will have right of ways and be able to use the facilities e.g. the public bar during the wedding or event. Please note rooms may be pre-booked prior to your wedding day.

Corkage

As a venue with a liquor licence, we have limitations on the amount of corkage a guest can bring on site and charge accordingly per bottle and per glass. Guests found to bring in additional bottles or unannounced bottles will be charged accordingly.

Still table wine is charged at £15.00 per bottle.

Champagne and sparkling wines are charged at £25.00 per bottle.

All magnums, lager and litre bottles are charged on a pro-rata basis.

No corkage will be refunded if unused.

Dry hire

As a venue with our own catering team and kitchens, we charge a venue fee and in addition, if you wish to bring in your own caterers a dry hire fee from £2500.00

Licence

There is a licence extension until midnight on Fridays and Saturdays. An extension required after this time is charged at £250.00 per hour to include music and bar service, please talk to your wedding coordinator for more details.

Weddings

FAQs

Does the hotel provide any decorations for the event?

Decorations should be provided by the bridal couple.

Will the hotel set up the decorations for my wedding?

If you wish to set up your own decorations the day before your wedding, please speak to our wedding coordinators, who will be happy to organise this for you subject to availability.

When can we have access to the hotel to begin setting up?

You can arrive to set up at the hotel on the day at 11am or, if you prefer, you can start setting up on the day before after 3.00pm, provided the room is not booked for another event.

Will the staff keep our table decorations at the end of the night?

We will endeavour to keep all table decorations for you, however we cannot be held responsible for missing or damaged items.

Are candles allowed?

Candles can be used. Please ensure candles are placed in candle holders to prevent wax melting onto table linen.

Can we move furniture or paintings?

We've taken a great deal of care to ensure the hotel furniture and decorations are well placed, so it is highly unlikely that large pieces of furniture, including the piano, paintings, busts and ornaments will be moved.

Are drones allowed at Port Lympne Hotel & Reserve?

Unfortunately we are unable to allow drones at the Reserve, due to the noise disturbing the animals.

Do you host more than one wedding a day?

We will only cater for one wedding per day in each area of the Reserve.

Is there a choice of tables, chairs and tableware?

We can provide round tables that seat either eight or ten people. We also provide trestle tables to make a top table. We can only provide one type of chair, if you wish to use alternative chairs we can recommend at a supplement fee.

If you require a particular style or type of tableware, we can arrange this, however this will incur additional charges.

Can we have a DJ or a band?

Yes, you can hire a DJ or band. We can also recommend a number of reputable DJ's or bands. Music levels will be monitored throughout the evening to ensure we keep within the recommended noise standards.

Do you have a PA system that can be used for speeches?

We have a full PA system available at the Aspinall suite. Please let us know in advance if you would like this to be set up for you.

Do you offer a menu for children?

Yes we do, we offer a cubs menu for children aged 5-12 years old. You can find a sample menu on our 'Sample Menus' insert.

Weddings

FAQs

Is there a resident Toastmaster?

A Toastmaster service is included in some of our wedding packages, provided by 'Your Toastmasters'. This service can be added to your bespoke package.

Can we stay at Port Lympne Hotel & Reserve?

We offer a range of short break accommodation including seasonal glamping, cottages, Tiger Lodge, Rhino Lodge, Wolf Lodge, The Bubble, luxury treehouses, camping pods, shepherd's huts and eight bedrooms within Port Lympne Hotel. Please call our Short Breaks Team on 01303 234112 for more information and to check availability. Please note that accommodation at the hotel is included in some of our packages.

Can the wedding cake be cut on our behalf?

Our chef is more than happy to cut your wedding cake on your behalf. If you would like a section of the cake to take home with you. Please note that wedding cakes are to be delivered to us on the morning of your wedding and arranged on display by the cake provider.

Can we have fireworks?

Port Lympne Hotel is set at the heart of Kent's largest wild animal park, so we cannot allow fireworks or Chinese lanterns. You can have sparklers outside in a safe area.

Is Port Lympne Hotel accessible?

The Port Lympne Hotel is a grade 2 listed mansion and therefore access is limited. There is a ramp at the front of the hotel and internal doorways offer wide access. The Aspinall Suite has accessible W.C facilities and baby changing facilities. Guide Dogs are not permitted on site as this contravenes our Zoo Licence. We do not have Crystal Loop on site. The hotel gardens are terraced, with flagstones in areas that can present possible slip and trip hazards.

What facilities are provided for children?

High chairs are available on request, although it is helpful to know in advance how many high chairs are needed. We recommend that children are supervised at all times as there are water features and ponds within the gardens that are not covered.

Can we bring dogs or animals to the Reserve?

No animals are permitted on site as this contravenes the Reserve's Zoo Licence.

Do you have landing permission for a helicopter?

Helicopters are permitted to land on the Grasslands site, near to our Visitor Car Park. We are happy to arrange transport from the Grasslands site to Port Lympne Hotel within the Reserve.

Is there sufficient parking?

You and your guests are welcome to park in the hotel car park within the Reserve. Please note that cars are parked here at the owner's risk. Spaces are limited, however guests may park in the main Reserve parking area if required.

Can our guests arrive by coach?

Yes of course. Please notify us of your plans so we can contact the company directly.

Storage of items

Please ensure all items (such as table decorations etc) are clearly labelled with your names and instructions for your wedding coordinator to ensure everything is placed in the correct locations. Due to lack of storage room we are unable to keep any items, so everything should be removed by 9am the following day.

Weddings

Terms and Conditions

Please note that the food and beverage prices enclosed are altered periodically. Once in writing and confirmed, the quoted prices will be maintained. All prices include VAT at current rate; prices may increase/decrease due to any future VAT rate changes.

Please note all beverage prices are subject to change.

Payment Timescale

Deposit within two weeks of enquiry £1000 (Please note the deposit is non refundable)

28 weeks prior to your wedding day 30% of the remaining balance

19 weeks prior to your wedding day 50% of the remaining balance

12 weeks prior to your wedding day 80% of the remaining balance

4 weeks prior to your wedding day 100% of the remaining balance