

Wedding Celebrations

We are very pleased to be invited to cater for your special day. Above all we want to give you a very personal and memorable occasion. We cater from the traditional to the more unusual and we are always open to your ideas and requests. This pack and booking form will provide general information but we recommend an informal meeting with the catering manager.

A wedding celebration may be booked for a minimum of 25 guests and the final number advised must be paid for, final numbers to be confirmed 48 hours in advance. The room can accommodate approximately 110 guests for the cold buffet and 80 guests for the hot carvery.

A non refundable deposit of £300 is required with the booking form to secure the reservation.

All menu prices include the entrance to the Arboretum and V.A.T. There is no separate room charge.

Gazebo Hire

Gazebo Hire is available for an outside bar etc, complete with covered trestle tables at the cost of £30 per gazebo.

Times available

A very important point to consider when planning your wedding is that we are open to the public until 5pm for most of the year, Wednesday to Sunday and every day in October and December.

During these days the wedding celebration can not begin before 5.30pm. We are open to the public late night Thursday evenings during May, June, July, August and September when we would not be able to hold a private function.

On days that we are closed to the public (Mondays and Tuesdays throughout the year except Bank holiday Mondays and during October and December) we are pleased to be able to offer the Arboretum exclusively to your party for the whole day.

Drinks

We do not have a drinks licence but there are several options open to you. You may of course supply all the drinks for your guests. We can take beer and wine into our storage the day before or on the day and put what is necessary into our chillers, ready for the following day / evening. We request that you bring the drinks and anything else that we need for the occasion before 10am.

Another option is to hire a private bar that can be situated inside or outside (depending on the type of bar) and a site meeting would be required with the bar owner. If a bar is hired there is a site fee of £75.

Your guests can bring their own drinks and we are happy to keep bottles in our chillers until needed. We do not charge corkage.

We can supply soft drinks, fruit juices, and fruit punches if you require them. There are a variety of glasses that we can supply free of charge (wine, water, champagne, hi-ball and pint.) A jug of iced water is provided on every table.

Please note that if you wish to bring particular beverages or spirits that will only be consumed by a few select guests we request that those drinks are kept at your table.



Room Decorations

You are most welcome to decorate the pillars yourselves or we can do it for you. All the pillars (except one) have a hook so it is easy to hang a display. If you would like us to decorate the pillars we use high quality silk flowers and ribbons in the colours of your choice. The cost for this service is £185 and we retain the displays.

“Fairy Cakes” Wedding Cake

We can provide a wedding cake made up of individual fairy cakes in the colours and theme of your wedding. Please see our photographs, we charge £2.50 per cake which includes the stand and decorations.

Cake Stand

We have a seven tier high quality, clear Perspex cake stand that can be hired at a cost of £20. It can be made into any size from 2 – 7 tiers.

Table Linen

We can provide ivory table linen hire at cost of £2.95 per cloth and 40p per napkin. One cloth covers one of our tables.

Outside Catering

Please be aware that we do not accept any outside catering inside the Visitor Centre. Very often relations would like to supply canapés or desserts for example, but for standards and ‘Health and Safety’ considerations we can only serve our own food.

We do however accept outside catering when it is outdoors ie. Pig Roasts and BBQ’s. If you wish to hire outside caterers for part of your wedding catering then we charge a site fee of £75.

The Wedding Carvery

Please be aware that time must be allowed for your guests to be served at the carvery. As a rough guide, it takes about 30 – 40 minutes for 50 people and 45 – 55 minutes for 80 people. It is very dependent on how quickly your guests help themselves to vegetables.



Wedding Menu's

The following menu's are for guidelines only. Special requests can usually be catered for and prices quoted accordingly. Everything is homemade and purchased freshly and where possible, local. The Hereford Beef, Lamb and Pork is from our own farm at Bodenham.

Dietary needs can always be catered for.

Wedding Feast (Buffet)

Adults £30 Children £15 (under 12)

Home cooked Ham, hot savoury meat plaits, home made flans
hot buttered new potatoes, a host of fresh salads including
coleslaw, potato salad, pasta, rice and seafood salad.
A cheese board including local cheese with crusty bread
biscuits, grapes and celery.



A choice of our delicious homemade desserts.



Tea or Coffee and chocolate mints.

Wedding Carvery

Adults £35 Children £17 (under 12)

A choice of two roast meats, with traditional accompaniments
roast potatoes and fresh vegetables. Choose from roast Bodenham
Hereford Beef, Bodenham Lamb, Bodenham Pork, Ham or Turkey.
A vegetarian option can always be provided.



A choice of our delicious homemade desserts.



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Bodenham

ARBORETUM

AND VISITOR CENTRE

Wedding Banquet (Buffet)

Adults £40 Children £20 (under 12)

This is a special menu where we aim to provide a sumptuous range of fresh and home cooked food including a whole Salmon a selection of our cold meats, homemade flans, pork and turkey plaits and Coronation Chicken.

These are accompanied by hot buttered new potatoes, a host of delicious salads including pasta, seafood with prawns, waldorf, couscous, mozzarella and biryani rice. There is a local and international cheese board with biscuits, crusty bread, grapes and celery.



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In addition to the above menu's we can provide starters for the carvery, cost dependant on choice, a selection of canapés at £4.50 per person or a selection of nibbles at £1.00 per person (crisps, nuts, Indian and Chinese mix etc. and olives.)

Please be aware that we always over cater to provide as much food as your guests can enjoy at your celebration. However, because of this, we do not allow surplus food to be taken away.

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Wedding Booking Form

Names of couple: _____ Date of wedding _____ Day _____

Address.....

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Postcode.....

Tel No.....Mob No.....

Arrival Time: _____ To eat at: _____ Guests are requested to leave by 11pm.

Number in party: Adults _____ Children _____ **Confirmation of final numbers 7 days in advance at which point the full amount must be paid for.**

Required menu: _____ Dietary requirements: _____

Guided walk: YES/NO *If yes, at what time?* _____ *(best at start of your visit)*

PAYMENT: a deposit of £300 is required to secure the booking. **Enclosed £**

At confirmation of final numbers an invoice for the full amount will be given. We require full payment to be made 7 days in advance of your wedding day. If there are additional costs such as extra guests, soft drinks, tea/coffee etc. we request the balance to be paid at your convenience in the following week. Thank you.

~A photocopy of the booking form will be returned as confirmation~

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