



Wedding

RECEPTIONS  
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# About Us

Are you looking for a beautiful wedding reception venue with both indoor charm and gorgeous outdoor space? If a traditional white wedding doesn't quite reflect your vibe, and you're dreaming of something more relaxed, fun, and informal, then The Garden Bar could be just the place.

With elegant parquet floors, sun-filled rooms and spacious south-facing gardens, our delightful pub can provide the perfect backdrop for any wedding style, whether it's rustic, vintage, boho, romantic, modern, or something uniquely your own - we've brought them all to life.

Our experienced events team will be by your side to help make planning your big day a breeze. With decades of know-how, we're here to make sure everything runs smoothly, so your day is even more magical than you both imagined.



# Capacity

## **The East Wing & Apple Tree Corner**

### **• 30-90 guests**

Seating for up to 40 guests inside or 90 guests in the Apple Tree Corner garden. Please note that this garden is included for bookings in May-Sept only.

## **The West Wing & Garden**

### **• 70-150 guests**

Seating for up to 50 guests inside or 150 guests in the garden.

## **The Whole Venue**

### **• Up to 250 guests**

Available Monday-Wednesday in off-peak months only. Seating for up to 100 guests inside or 250 guests in the garden.



# The Cost - How it works

Get in touch for a quote for your chosen date and timings

There are no venue hire fees, as we operate on a minimum spend basis. All pre-ordered food and drink as well as your guests bar spend on the day, will all count towards your total minimum spend requirement. Weekdays and off-peak seasons carry a lower minimum spend, so if you are open to the idea of a weekday or winter wedding, be sure to let us know and we can send you a quote for all options to see what works best for you. A security deposit is required to confirm your booking, which will be returned to you within 2 weeks after your special day, as long as the minimum spend has been reached and no damages have occurred.



## Bespoke Packages

We have been proudly hosting wedding receptions for 10+ years and have worked with a large variety of budgets and requirements along the way. Every couples special day looks different to the last, and we know that flexibility is key so that you can put your own stamp on your happily-ever-after party.

Bespoke packages can include our venue decoration service, drinks on arrival, your choice of food from Canapes, Buffets, BBQ or sit-down meal, toast/table drinks & more! Please see 'Additional Services' for further information.



# THE West Wing & GARDEN

*The beautiful West Wing & Garden is the perfect private space for celebrations with up to 150 guests.*

*Walk through the main entrance into the large bar area to grab a refreshing drink, before heading down into the huge south-facing garden.*

*Bask in the sunshine while our chef's fire up the BBQ. As the sun sets, head inside to dance the night away!*

*For more images of the space, please see our website gallery.*



## WHAT'S INCLUDED :

- Private entrance (Portland Road).
- Fully stocked and staffed bar.
- Access to the main private Garden.
- BBQ Pit (BBQ Menus are available for May-September Weddings only).
- Flower lined garden terrace with seating and parasols.
- 7 covered & heated garden booths.
- Space for a Marquee (please discuss with our events team).
- Fairy lights throughout the venue.
- Air Conditioning for the Summer months.
- Open Fireplace for the Winter months.
- 3 TV Screens for photos & videos.
- Own Toilets & Baby Change facilities.
- In-house sound system (for staff use only).
- Space for a DJ & dance floor.
- Space for a Photo pod.



# THE East Wing & APPLE TREE CORNER

*The delightful East Wing is the perfect private space for receptions with a maximum capacity of 90 guests. Bask in the glorious summer sun and dance the night away!*

*Please note that the Apple Tree Corner Garden is included for weddings in May-September only. Bookings in October-April in the East Wing will be inside only, with access to the public outdoor seating to the side and front of the venue.*



## WHAT'S INCLUDED :

- Private entrance (Mansfield Road).
- Fully stocked and staffed bar.
- Apple Tree Corner Garden (Available May-September only).
- Access to public outdoor seating (all year round).
- Fairy lights throughout.
- Air Conditioning for the Summer months.
- Open Fireplace for the Winter months.
- 3 TV Screens for photos/videos.
- Flower wall for the perfect photo backdrop.
- Own Toilets & Baby Change facilities.
- In-house sound system (for staff use only).
- Space for a DJ & dance floor + seating.
- Space for a Photo pod.



# Food and Drink

Our wonderful Chefs have designed fantastic menus for you to choose from, including Canapés, Buffets, Platters and BBQ's. Please get in touch for our Wedding Menus.

## **Canapés**

*From £9 per head.*

## **Afternoon Tea Buffet**

*From £10 per head.*

## **Finger Buffet**

*From £16 per head.*

## **BBQ (May-September only)**

*From £20 per head.*

## **Sit-down Meal (Oct-April only)**

*From £30 per head.*

## **Cheese Platter**

*£50 per Platter / Serves 10-15*

## **Dessert Platter**

*£4 per head*



Pimm's, Prosecco, Wine, Champagne, Bottled Beer & Cider, Mocktails, soft drinks and more are all offered at a discounted rate when pre-ordered for your special day. Perfect for arrival drinks, table wine, or raising a glass to toast the newlyweds. Our fully stocked and staffed bar will be available for guests to purchase their own drinks on the day.

You are welcome to set up a prepaid bar tab if you wish. If you have a specific drink in mind that isn't listed on our menu, please let us know and we'll do our best to source it. All prepaid food and drinks count towards your minimum spend requirement. To see our current draught selection, please go to the 'Drinks' page on our website.





## Winter Weddings

As the winter months roll in, our gorgeous pub oozes cosiness with roaring open fires, heated garden booths and ambient lighting that are perfect for those grey and rainy days. Up to 50 guests can be seated inside, with the option to have our faux sheepskin chair covers to add that special touch and keep your guests warm and comfortable. Winter weddings carry a lower minimum spend requirement (excluding peak December dates) so if you're looking to keep your budget low with an intimate celebration, then this could be the perfect choice for you to enjoy your special day with your favourite people during October-April.



# Additional Services

To make your event run as smoothly as possible, we have created some additional options so you can focus on enjoying your day. Additional services do not count towards your minimum spend.



## **Parasol change £50**

- Swap our branded parasols for neutral cream ones throughout.

## **Basic set up service £100**

- Arrange the tables inside and in the garden as per your requirements.
- Swap our branded parasols for neutral cream ones throughout.

## **Full set up service from £250**

- Includes basic set up + full decorating service with cutlery, glassware and any other requirements. Please discuss your decoration plans with us for a quote.

## **Basic Cake service up to 50 guests - £50**

- Cake Knife & server set provided for your cake cutting moment.
- Plates, Napkins & Cutlery (Cake to be cut into portions by yourselves).

## **Full Cake Cutting service from £100**

- Cake Knife & server set provided for your cake cutting moment.
- Cake to be cut into required servings and placed on buffet trays.
- Plates, Napkins & Cutlery provided for guests to help themselves.

## **Speaker & Microphone hire for speeches £100**

- Includes all equipment and setup.

## **Winter faux sheepskin chair cover hire £50**

- For use inside the venue only.

## **Early venue access £20 per hour before 11am**

- Staff member/s on site before usual shift times for early setup by you.



# Recommended Suppliers



Our tried, tested and approved recommendations. You are welcome to source your own suppliers, but please keep us in the loop with the arrangements prior to booking them, so we can confirm the logistics & timings for delivery/collection/setup.

## DJ's, Live Bands, Singers & Entertainers

**Visual Music Productions** DJ, Sound & Lighting.  
🌐 [www.southcoastweddingdjs.com](http://www.southcoastweddingdjs.com) 📱 @visualmusicprod

**DJ Nick Subtle** DJ, Sound & Lighting.  
✉ [nmboon@yahoo.com](mailto:nmboon@yahoo.com) 📱 DJ Nick Subtle

**Astech Promotions** DJ, Sound, Lighting, Silent Disco.  
✉ [info@astechpromotions.co.uk](mailto:info@astechpromotions.co.uk) 📱 Astech Promotions

**Showtec** Audio & Visual Equipment Hire  
🌐 [www.showtec.co.uk](http://www.showtec.co.uk) ✉ [info@showtec.co.uk](mailto:info@showtec.co.uk)

**Hannah Renton** Singer and Guitarist / 60's to present.  
📱 @hannahrentonmusic ✉ [hannahrenton@hotmail.com](mailto:hannahrenton@hotmail.com)

**Alice Flower** Acoustic Singer and Guitarist  
🌐 [www.aliceflowermusic.com](http://www.aliceflowermusic.com) 📱 @aliceflowermusic

**Dessie Magee** Brighton-based Irish Singer & Guitarist.  
🌐 [www.arcentertainment.co.uk](http://www.arcentertainment.co.uk) 📱 @dessie\_magee

**The Fireflies Party Band** Party Band, Disco & DJ service.  
🌐 [www.sussexpartyband.co.uk](http://www.sussexpartyband.co.uk) 📱 @thefirefliespartyband

**SmallTalk** : 4/5-piece covers party band.  
🌐 [www.smalltalkcovers.weebly.com](http://www.smalltalkcovers.weebly.com) 📱 SmallTalk Covers Band

**Dynamite** : 4-piece covers function band.  
📱 Dynamite ✉ [craig@optanet.com](mailto:craig@optanet.com)

**Fairy Dust Events - Children's Entertainers**  
🌐 [www.fairyparty.co.uk](http://www.fairyparty.co.uk) 📱 Fairy Dust Events



## Event Decor, Marquee, Photography & more...

**Touch of a Bow** Event prop hire & balloon displays  
🌐 [www.touchofabow.co.uk](http://www.touchofabow.co.uk) 📱 @touchofabow

**LoveBubble Balloons** Luxury Balloons & Event styling  
📱 LoveBubble Balloons 📱 @lovebubbleballoons

**Ballooning Lovely** Luxury balloon displays & soft play hire.  
🌐 [www.ballooning-lovely.co.uk](http://www.ballooning-lovely.co.uk) 📱 @ballooning\_lovely

**Moon & Black Events** Event styling, decor & balloons.  
📱 @moonandblackevents 📱 Enquiry Form

**Knight Life Events** LED Letters, props, decor & more.  
📱 @knightlifeevents ✉ [knightlifeevents@outlook.com](mailto:knightlifeevents@outlook.com)

**Marquee2Hire** 6x6m or 6x9m Marquee for the main garden.  
🌐 [www.marquee2hire.com](http://www.marquee2hire.com) 📱 @marquee2hire

**Dreams to Themes** Bespoke invitations, signs and more.  
📱 @dreamstothemesproducts 📱 Dreams to Themes

**Kate Langdale Florist** Bouquets, Table Flowers & more.  
🌐 [www.katelangdaleflorist.co.uk](http://www.katelangdaleflorist.co.uk) 📱 @katelangdaleflorist

**Cielo Cakery** Celebration Cake makers.  
🌐 [www.cielocakery.co.uk](http://www.cielocakery.co.uk) 📱 @cielocakery

**Rodeo Doughnuts** The perfect celebration cake alternative.  
🌐 [www.linktr.ee/rodeo\\_uk](http://www.linktr.ee/rodeo_uk) 📱 @rodeo\_uk

**Demon Photobooths** Heart Photo Pod, Audio Guestbook.  
🌐 [www.demonphotobooths.co.uk](http://www.demonphotobooths.co.uk) 📱 @demon\_photobooths

**LumiMix** Selfie Photo Pod, rustic LED letters & more.  
🌐 [www.lumimix.co.uk](http://www.lumimix.co.uk) 📱 @lumimix

**Shotgun Weddings Photography**  
🌐 [www.shotgunweddings.co](http://www.shotgunweddings.co) 📱 Shotgun Weddings

**Sweet Dreams Candy Cart** + Garden Games & more.  
🌐 [www.sweetdreamscandycart.co.uk](http://www.sweetdreamscandycart.co.uk) 📱 Sweet Dreams Candy Cart



# FAQs

Our most frequently asked questions. Please get in touch for more information

## “Can we arrive early to decorate the venue?”

Your hire time includes the time to decorate the venue. Early access and our setup & decorating service are available upon request - see ‘Additional Services’ on Page 8. If you are planning on hiring things like balloon displays, large LED letters, Candy Cart, DJ/Band, Photo Booth, Marquee etc, please let us know before confirming your booking with them, so that we can check timings and logistics. Please note we do not allow confetti of any type in the venue including inside balloons. A £100 cleaning charge will occur if it is used in the venue. Real candles and sparklers are also not permitted.

## “Are you licensed for ceremonies”

No, we do not have a license for wedding ceremonies.

## “Is there accommodation available”

We do not have on-site accommodation, however there are many hotels in Hove & Brighton only a short taxi journey away.

## “Can we have music in the garden?”

Live bands and DJ's are permitted inside the venue only. You are welcome to arrange for an acoustic performer (no microphone or speakers) to play in the garden until 18:00 with prior approval required from the venue owners. We have small portable Bluetooth speakers to play your chosen playlist in the garden for background music. These are controlled by staff and can play until 19:00 only. There are several options for music & entertainment :

- Hire one of our recommended DJ's or singers.
- Hire your own entertainment with all of their own equipment.
- Create a public Spotify playlist to play through the pub's sound system & devices, controlled by staff.

Due to council restrictions, brass instruments are not permitted in the venue, and drummers must use brushes. We do not allow Karaoke.

## “Can we bring in our own food or use an outside catering company?”

We do not allow outside catering, or supplying your own food or alcohol. You are more than welcome to have a Wedding Cake or equivalent, and you will need to supply napkins/plates if you wish to serve it to your guests, or alternatively you can add our 'Cake cutting' service. You are also welcome to have things like a Candy Cart, or have sweet/alcohol favours.

## “What time can under 18's stay until?”

See ‘License Conditions’ on Page 11.

## “Is the venue wheelchair accessible?”

The West Wing (main) entrance is wheelchair accessible, and access to the East Wing can be gained via the West Wing for wheelchair users. Unfortunately we do not have an accessible toilet. Both the main garden and Apple Tree Corner garden are multi-level with steps. There is wheelchair access to the first level of the Apple Tree Corner Garden only.

## “Is there nearby parking?”

We are in Parking Zone L. There is free on-street parking on all surrounding roads from 12:00-18:00 & 19:00 onwards. Resident permit-only bays operate 11:00-12:00 and 18:00-19:00, 7 days a week including bank holidays. Alternatively, there is nearby NCP pay-by-app parking (5 minute walk) for up to 24 hours.

## Can we collect everything the next day?

Yes, our team will take down all decorations and box up everything you wish to keep, ready for collection the next day. All large equipment such as DJ setup, large LED Letters etc must be collected the following morning before the pub opens - please discuss to confirm timings and logistics.



# Hire Information

## Open Times

- Friday-Saturday 12:00-00:00 (Clear by 00:30).
- Sunday-Thursday 12:00-23:00 (Clear by 23:30).
- Bank Holiday Sundays 12:00-00:00 (Clear by 00:30).

## License Conditions : *Friday-Saturday*

- Supervised under 18's are welcome to stay until 22:00.
- Live Bands/singers permitted inside only 12:00-23:00.
- DJ's permitted inside only 12:00-00:00.
- The garden closes at 23:00.
- Late license available on request to close at 01:00 (Clear by 01:30).

## License Conditions : *Sunday-Thursday*

- Supervised under 18's are welcome to stay until 20:00.
- Live Bands/singers permitted inside only 12:00-23:00.
- DJ's permitted inside only 12:00-23:00.
- The garden closes at 23:00.

## Hire Timings

Your hire time must include time for setup, whether you have added our additional setup service or decide to decorate the venue yourselves. Please discuss your plans with our events team who can let you know the best hire start time to have everything ready for your guests arrival.



## Contact us

For information on minimum spend and deposit requirements, food and drink menus, finer details or to arrange a viewing - please get in touch with our experienced events team (email preferred) -

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