



THE RED LION
& MANOR HOUSE

BURNSALL NORTH YORKSHIRE

Weddings



tying the knot?



We look forward to welcoming you to The Red Lion and Manor House, and assure you of our commitment to both quality and service at all times

Welcome to The Red Lion and Manor House at Burnsall, we are delighted that you are considering our family run 16th Century village hotel for your wedding.

With our unique atmosphere and legendary hospitality we can provide all you need from the ceremony to your honeymoon.

The initial planning of your wedding day should be a pleasure, and with our helpful informative brochure it will provide you with the ultimate stress free day! With this in mind we will be pleased to discuss your individual requirements personally.

Our wedding organiser and dedicated professional service are just a phone call away.





YOUR CIVIL MARRIAGE CEREMONY

We are privileged to be able to offer you the opportunity to hold both your wedding reception and Civil Marriage ceremony at The Lion. Our 16th Century hotel is idyllically situated on the banks of the River Wharfe in picturesque Burnsall, which still retains the atmosphere of the quintessential English village. Vows can be exchanged, either in the Terrace, Garden or Riverside Rooms which can accommodate an intimate 10 to full 125 guests any day of the week. Then toast your new life with family and friends on our terraces and lawns which run down to and border the River Wharfe, making it the perfect backdrop for your wedding photography.

Only a civil, non-religious ceremony can be permitted by the Superintendent Registrar. Any music, reading, words or performance, which form any part of the Civil Marriage ceremony, must be secular. The content of the Civil Marriage ceremony must be agreed in advance with the Superintendent Registrar who will be attending the Civil Marriage ceremony. Any rights of copyright for music, readings etc. permitted at the civil wedding ceremony are a matter for the holder of the approval. It is a legal requirement for the licence that no food or beverage may be consumed in the suite prior to or during the Civil Marriage ceremony. Smoking is not permitted prior to or during the Civil Marriage ceremony. The Ceremony is 'public' which means anybody asking to attend the Civil Marriage ceremony must be allowed to do so.

The Superintendent Registrar will charge you an attendance fee. This is paid by yourselves direct to the Registrar (not via The Lion). It is your responsibility to ensure that all legal preliminaries to your Civil Marriage ceremony are completed and that the Superintendent Registrar is available to conduct your Civil Marriage ceremony. We can help in all ways but the booking of the Superintendent Registrar and the relevant charges are the responsibility of the Bride and Groom.

Once you have agreed a date and discussed all the arrangements for the Civil Marriage ceremony and reception with our wedding organiser you will need to contact the Superintendent Registrar of the district in Skipton Tel: 01756 793005. Civil Marriage ceremonies can be booked up to a year in advance. Civil Marriage ceremonies cannot be conducted on Good Friday, Easter Sunday, Christmas Day or Boxing Day. Ceremonies must take place between the hours of 8.00am and 6.00pm. The latest times that ceremonies can be conducted at The Lion are as follows: Monday to Friday 5.00pm, Saturday & Sunday 4.30pm, however at peak seasons, ceremonies cannot take place prior to 3pm.

Please note that the provisional bookings at The Lion can only be held for a maximum of 14 days.

something old. . .



something new, something borrowed...



LION
HOTEL

...something blue

BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS AND CONDITIONS

We can help organise your complete wedding. We offer as an option cake, flowers and photography. Should you decide on a midweek wedding then the wedding package is offered at a substantial discount.

On booking your wedding reception with us, we offer the following with our compliments

- Detailed advice on our specially designed packages
- Special rates for the Bride and Groom in our luxurious honeymoon suite
- Advice on your special day from our wedding organiser
- Advice from our Head Chef to choose the meal that you want
- Master of Ceremony Services
- The use of our beautiful terraces and lawns which run down to and border the River Wharfe for your wedding photography
- Special midweek accommodation rates for your guests

Our brochure prices are inclusive of VAT at 17.5%. We do not take a service charge, gratuities are given at your discretion.

Whilst these prices may be used as a guide for wedding planning, please note that they are valid only for the calendar year during which your booking was initially made. Please allow an approximate 5% increase per subsequent years on quoted prices. We also reserve the right to make price changes. The deposit is non-refundable or transferable in all cases. If cancellation occurs within 3 months prior to the Civil Marriage ceremony, full payment will be due. The Red Lion reserves the right of discretion with respect to the level of reimbursement, if any, which may be provided.

In order to confirm your booking we will require a non-refundable deposit to secure the provisional booking. Due to the popularity of civil ceremonies we are unable to take a booking for a ceremony which is not followed by a reception. Should you fail to pay the deposit within 14 days of being required to do so, the Red Lion Hotel may treat the booking as having been cancelled.



HINTS AND TIPS

For ease and forward planning, a few commonly asked questions to our wedding co-ordinator are answered as follows...

How should we seat everybody?

A variety of seating options are available which can be provided to yourselves, allowing you to easily seat your guests.

A traditional top table seating plan as an example:

Best Man, Matron of Honour, Groom's Father, Bride's Mother, Groom, Bride, Bride's Father, Groom's Mother, Bridesmaid.

What is a line up?

It is traditional for the Bride and Groom and their top table to greet their guests as they move into the dining room to enjoy the wedding breakfast. The traditional line up in order is:

The Bride's Parents, The Groom's Parents, The Bride and Groom, The Bridesmaids and the Best Man.

If you choose to have a Master of Ceremonies or a Toastmaster, they will normally organise the above line up to ensure that it moves smoothly.

What happens about Toasts and Speeches?

Traditionally these take place at the end of the meal after the cutting and distribution of the wedding cake and champagne.

- The Bride's father speaks on behalf of the Bride and proposes a toast to the Bride and Groom
- The Groom replies and thanks the Bride's Parents, guests and then toasts the Bridesmaids
- The Best Man responds on behalf of the Bridesmaids. He also reads out any cards, messages and telegrams



experience the wedding of your dreams . . .

How to organise your perfect wedding day in advance?

Up to six months before the day

- Book the photographer, transport, your reception/entertainment at The Lion, honeymoon and perhaps the passports
- Compile a guest list
- Order invitations and wedding stationery
- Decide on Bridesmaids and Best Man
- Order wedding cake

From six months

- Compile wedding present list
- Select Bridal and Bridesmaids dresses
- Order flowers
- Ensure Bridegroom, Best Man, Fathers and Ushers arrange suit hire

From three months

- Send out invitations
- Ensure mothers are planning their outfits
- Choose wedding rings
- Confirm all reception arrangements

From six weeks

- Confirm travel and honeymoon arrangements
- Choose presents for Bridesmaids and Best Man

From four weeks

- Confirm reception details and make final payment
- Make hairdressing appointments
- Confirm details with florist, photographer, car hire etc
- Make last minute purchases for the honeymoon
- Write thank you letters for presents as they arrive and keep a record
- Final fitting of wedding dress

From ten days to two days

- Meet with Best Man, Bridesmaids and Ushers to finalise arrangements. Start packing for honeymoon
- Ensure you have delegated as much as possible for those arrangements which need completing on the day before and on the day

The day before

- Start to enjoy the fruits of all your planning, as the principal guests start arriving to assist you

On the day

- And after the months of planning - have a wonderful day!





THE EXTRA SPECIAL WEDDING PACKAGES THAT FIT YOUR NEEDS

We are all well aware that the planning starts a long time before the big day and that is when we can bring our experience to bear, advising and assisting with every last detail.

We have a wide range of packages and options, all priced competitively, for you to choose from for the ultimate stress free day. We will organise your complete Civil Marriage ceremony and reception making your day extra special.

The options are numerous and subject to your creativity.

Your photography is in the experienced hands of Sycamore Studios who are based in Skipton. Their wedding package provides a good mix of romantic, pictorial and candid images, the ingredients for a true story book wedding. You are more than welcome to view their work and to see and feel the wide range of albums on display. Sycamore Studios make it a point to meet all couples before their wedding day to discuss their photography requirements and any changes since their booking.

As your wedding day is the most important day of your life, it is the one occasion when only the very best will do. Two local cake makers have joined forces with us to provide both Chocolate and Traditional Fruit Cakes. They have perfected their own recipes using only the finest natural ingredients. There are various designs and styles of decoration, essential when trying to decide on the perfect cake for your special day. Your cake will be individual to your own specification and colour scheme. The attention to detail will ensure that you have a unique and beautifully crafted wedding cake. Victoria or Hazel will meet and discuss ideas with you and then colour your cake and trimmings to match your colour scheme. There will simply be no worries of damaging the cake, leaving you free to prepare yourselves for that big day!

Then there are flowers by Wendy, bold and experimental with colour and arranging flowers in a natural and unfussy way. There are many classic, romantic and alternative themes for your Civil Marriage ceremony. Everything from bouquets, baskets and posies to head dresses, buttonholes and large scale decorations. Seasonal variations allow you to adapt a theme suitable for the time of year.

If you should choose to have a midweek ceremony then we will also offer a midweek discount on your chosen meal, wine and room hire, complete details are given in the accompanying letter.





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