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EXCLUSIVE EVENTS VENUE

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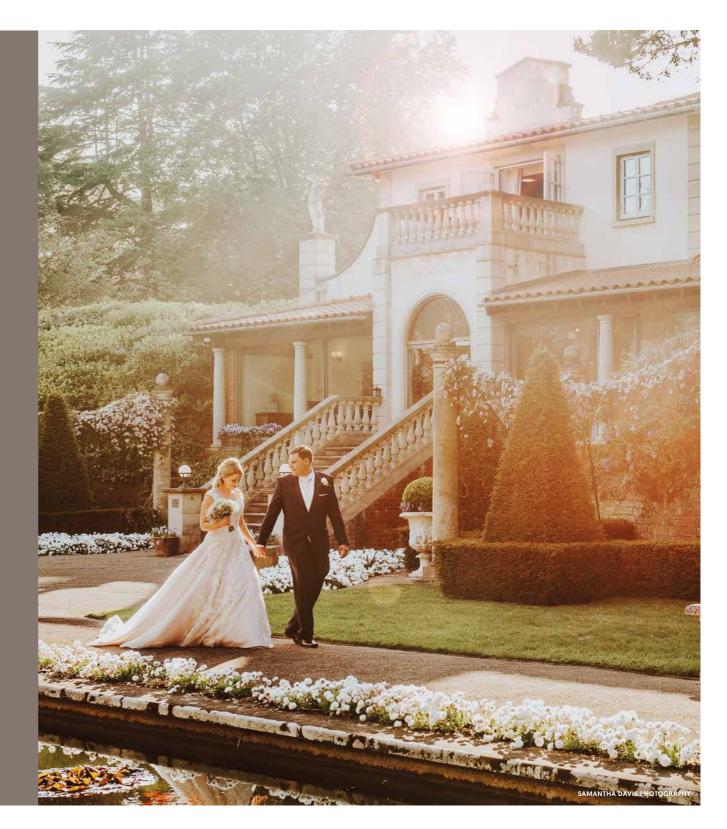
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As well as use of the Italian garden for your reception, you'll have access to 10 acres of inspiring gardens filled with opportunities for wonderful wedding photographs. Choose the stylish Japanese garden, the charming heather garden, or the wooded valley with its magical waterfalls and striking foliage to capture special memories that will last forever.

The prestigious Italian Villa has been an award winning favourite with brides and grooms for years and is now under new management by the Merna family who own Compton Acres. Our exceptional team has a wealth of experience and are passionate about making your wedding dreams come true, so you can relax and enjoy your big day.





THE ITALIAN GARDEN BY BY SAMANTHA DAVIS PHOTOGRAPHY





The Perfect Setting...

Compton Acres offers 10 acres of historic grade II listed gardens dating back to 1924. The whimsical design includes gorgeous themed gardens set out on a circular route like jewels on a necklace. Your journey starts with the elegant splendour of the Italian Garden overlooked by the imposing Italian Villa where your wedding will be held. Take full advantage of this magnificent formal garden with an al fresco drinks reception, and set the scene for a truly magical wedding day.

As well as enjoying use of the Italian Garden as an entertaining space for your guests, you'll want to make the most of the romantic photo opportunities you'll find in our other gardens too! Go on a tour of our enchanting scenery with your photographer and discover the perfect setting to capture precious wedding memories that will last a lifetime. With a candlelit grotto, stylish Japanese Garden, statues, picturesque ponds, waterfalls and dramatic planting, every couple can find the perfect backdrop.

Dine, dance and say 'I do'...

Beautifully designed with the perfect layout to accommodate every part of your wedding, The Italian Villa offers three suites arranged over three floors.

We are fully licensed for civil ceremonies and civil partnerships which can be held in the Verona Suite, Medici Suite or even outside. You'll have exclusive use of the venue and use of the lovely Italian Garden for the duration of your event.

MEDICI SUITE

The breath-taking Medici Suite can accommodate up to 180 guests for an elegant wedding breakfast. Floor to ceiling windows flood the room with natural light and the spacious layout includes a full service bar. Take your top table seats to enjoy luxury dining and raise a toast with your guests to celebrate!

VERONA SUITE

A sophisticated setting for your civil ceremony, the Verona Suite overlooks the gorgeous Italian Garden with it's ornamental pond and colourful formal planting. Walk down the aisle in style as your friends and family look on, and pose on the stunning balcony for your very first photo as a married couple.

SIENA SUITE

The Siena Suite is the venue for your evening reception; set up like an exclusive private members club it includes a 10m stage for a live band or DJ set-up, a dancefloor, a full service bar and a snug lounge area for relaxed socialising. Luxurious, spacious and decadent, the Siena Suite is ideally appointed to host the party of a lifetime!













Relax and enjoy your day...

Your wedding day is one of the most important of your life! We understand that and our dedicated team will work with you to make sure that your big day is everything you hoped for and more. Whether you know exactly what you want and just need us to make it happen, or you need inspiration for the special touches to personalise your celebration, we can help.

Compton Acres offers a unique opportunity for you to create a wedding that really reflects you as a couple. We offer a huge choice of beautiful garden settings for photos, flexible indoor and outdoor entertaining space at The Italian Villa, and plenty of options for food, decor, and entertainment so you can plan your ideal wedding.

We want you to be able to relax and enjoy your day, take time to savour each moment with the ones you love creating magical memories that will last a lifetime. With exclusive use of the Italian Villa, and separate suites for each stage of your wedding celebrations, there is no need to rush, change layouts or move furniture during your event.

Our dedicated team of wedding planners, chefs and staff are all proud to be involved in creating your perfect day. Whatever your vision we can work with you to create the wedding of your dreams, and with a network of recommended suppliers offering all the extras you could possibly need, we can make planning your day a fun and stress free experience.



Wining & dining...

Enjoy delicious seasonal menus created by our talented team of chefs and event planners. Whatever the occasion we can provide a bespoke selection to please every palate. Choose fine dining menus, relaxed buffets, business lunches and afternoon teas, all beautifully presented for an impressive and memorable meal you and your guests will love.

Our wine list is carefully curated to offer quality and value, and we can recommend selections to compliment your chosen menu. We also have two full service bars within the venue that offer a full range of drinks including draft beers and cocktails.

As you would expect, our chefs will be delighted to accommodate any dietary requirements or allergies with bespoke menus to suit the needs of all your guests.



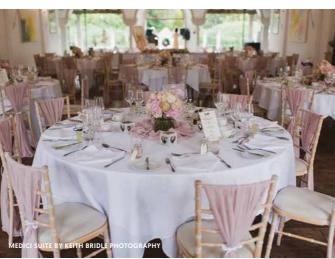






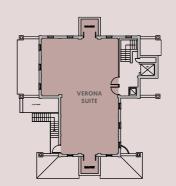












MEDICI SUITE (GROUND FLOOR)

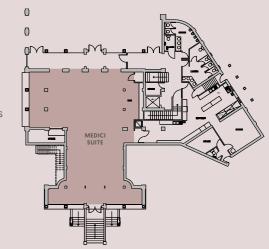
- Suits 180 guests max (seated) or up to 360 guests standing
- Perfect for wedding breakfasts, networking events, award ceremonies and corporate banquets

SIENA SUITE

- Direct access to gardens
- Length: 67'9" x Width: 38'5" (20.7m x 11.75m)
- Own sound system & Wi-Fi

VERONA SUITE (TOP FLOOR)

- Suits 120 guests max (seated) or 200 standing
- Wedding ceremony suite and ideal for training events, seminars and boardroom lunches
- Spectacular balcony view of the gardens
- Length: 45'9" x Width: 27'8" (14m x 8.5m)
- Own sound system & Wi-Fi
- 2 built in overhead projectors & screens



SIENA SUITE (LOWER FLOOR)

- Suits 200 guests max
- Ideal for boardroom meetings, intimate dinners, and evening parties
- Length: 62'3" x Width: 42'8" (19m x 13.05m)
- Own sound system & Wi-Fi
- Built-in overhead projector & screen
- Government regulated sound limiter
- Wood-sprung dance floor







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2025/2026 WEDDING PACKAGES

PRICING

Minimum guest numbers of 65 adult day guests apply and all weddings must include venue hire, wedding breakfast, evening buffet and drinks package. Lower guest numbers available based on a minimum spend.

2025 VENUE HIRE	SUNDAY – THURSDAY	FRIDAY & BANK HOLIDAY MONDAYS	SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS BEFORE A BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY & GOOD FRIDAY
JANUARY & FEBRUARY	£2,295	£3,795	£4,295
MARCH	£3,295	£5,495	£7,695
APRIL	£3,695	£6,395	£8,595
MAY, JUNE, JULY & AUGUST	£4,995	£6,595	£8,795
SEPTEMBER	£3,695	£6,395	£8,595
OCTOBER	£2,995	£4,995	£6,995
NOVEMBER	£2,795	£3,795	£4,295
DECEMBER	£2,995	£5,595	£6,995

PLEASE NOTE: There is a 10% increase across all prices (venue hire, food and drink) for 2026 bookings *New Years Eve weddings venue hire £8,795

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Exclusive hire of all 3 floors of The Italian Villa (music to stop and bar to close at 11.30pm and venue to fully close at 12am)
- Use of the Verona Suite for your ceremony
- Designated area of the Italian Garden for your drinks reception and photographs
- Use of Compton Acres Grade II listed Gardens
- Personal Event Co-ordinator before the wedding day
- Personal Event Manager on your wedding day
- Dressed cake table with silver cake knife
- Menu cards for the dining tables

- All table cutlery, crockery, glassware and white table linen
- Complimentary biodegradable confetti
- 2 decorative easels for your table plan
- Grotto LED tealights
- Menu Tasting for 2 guests
- Free parking for you and your guests (up to 30 spaces reserved, more spaces may be available on the day. Additional free parking in the surrounding area)
- Access available from 9am (set up only)
- Guests are permitted to arrive 45 minutes prior to the ceremony

FOOD & DRINK

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WEDDING BREAKFAST	PRICE PER PERSON
3 course sit down meal with coffee and tea selection	£58.00
2 course buffet wedding breakfast	£55.00
2 course children's menu (advised for 2-10 years)	£24.00
Supplier meal (main, dessert and soft drink)	£35.00
CANAPÉS (OPTIONAL UPGRADE)	PRICE PER PERSON
2 hot and 2 cold canapes	£12.50
3 hot and 3 cold canapes	£15.50
4 hot and 4 cold canapes	£18.50
EVENING BUFFET	PRICE PER PERSON
Cheese and Charcuterie	£18.50
Picnic Buffet	£18.50
Snack Buffet	£21.50
Fusion Buffet	£21.50
Evening BBQ Buffet	£23.50
Evening Hog Roast Buffet	£23.50
DRINKS PACKAGES	PRICE PER PERSON
Siena Drinks Package	£28.00
Verona Drinks Package	£35.00
Medici Drinks Package	£44.00
Italian Garden Drinks Package (Alcohol Free)	£19.00

OPTIONAL EXTRAS _____

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OPTIONAL UPGRADES	
Medici Suite Ceremony	£425
Outside Ceremony	£425
Exclusive use of The Italian Garden	£850

SPRING / SUMMER SAMPLE MENU

April - September

STARTERS

MUDEFORD CRAB & SPICED SHRIMP

Spiced shrimp butter, pickled crab, homemade fennel seeded bread

ASPARAGUS & DUCK EGG

Sopley asparagus, duck egg, pink grapefruit, hot mayonnaise (Available April to August only)

PRESSED HAM HOCK TERRINE

Wholegrain mustard, celeriac remoulade, cider apple purée, rye crisp

CLASSIC PRAWN COCKTAIL

King prawns, Atlantic shrimps, baby herbs, cocktail dressing, avocado mousse

SPICED BAKED FIG & GOATS CHEESE MOUSSE

Heritage beetroots, pistachio crumb (vegan adaptation available)

TOMATO & RED PEPPER GAZPACHO

Heritage tomato & red pepper chilled soup, crème fraiche, basil (vegan adaptation available | can be served hot)

ITALIAN ANTIPASTI

Selection of cured meats, marinated olives, crostini's, dips (vegetarian/vegan adaptation available with chargrilled Mediterranean vegetables)

MAIN COURSES

DUO OF DORSET PORK

Pan fried pork loin, pressed belly of pork, cavolo nero, carrot, cider vinegar mash, crackling

PAN FRIED SCOTTISH SALMON

Herb crushed new potatoes, confit fennel, roasted cherry vine tomatoes and sauce vierge

SEARED HAMPSHIRE CHICKEN

Saffron arancini, confit tomato, stem broccoli, light chicken jus

BAKED CONCHIGLIE

Pasta shells filled with a blend of lemon zested ricotta cheese, sautéed spinach, with wild mushrooms, white wine velouté and parmesan crisp (alternative vegan pasta dish available)

DORSET ROASTED LAMB RUMP

Rosemary dauphinoise potatoes, minted peas, carrots, red currant jus (Supplement applicable October – March)

PAN FRIED COD FILLET

Lemon mash, dill tartar sauce, crispy beer batter, crushed peas

BBQ DUO OF BEEF

Slow cooked rib of beef, char-grilled beef skirt, sweet potato fondant, cabernet sauvignon dressing

ROASTED FILLED COURGETTES

Smoked paprika ratatouille, sun-dried tomatoes, Chardonnay and olive dressing (vegan)

DESSERTS

VANILLA PANNA COTTA

Textures of New Forest strawberries, pistachio praline, sable biscuit

BAKED VANILLA CHEESECAKE

Textures of rhubarb, dehydrated saffron sponge (vegan adaptation available)

DARK CHOCOLATE PARFAIT

Peanut butter bavarois, caramelised banana (vegan adaptation available)

LIMONCELLO POSSET

Wild berry compote, poppyseed shortbread (vegan adaptation available)

PASSION FRUIT & ORANGE TART

Greek yoghurt and tonka bean, Chantilly cream (vegan adaptation available)

HEATHER HONEY WHITE CHOCOLATE MOUSSE & RASPBERRY DOME

Roasted granola crumb (vegan adaptation available)

SUMMER FRUIT ETON MESS

Dorset whipped cream, freeze dried strawberry crumb

CHOICE MENU:

Please select 1 starter (plus vegetarian/ vegan option if required), 1 main course (plus vegetarian/ vegan option if required) and 1 dessert. Choice menus can be offered for a £10 supplement per person and allows you to select 3 starters (to include a vegetarian/vegan option), 3 main courses (to include a vegetarian/vegan option) and 3 desserts for your guests to preselect from.

AUTUMN / WINTER SAMPLE MENU

October - March

STARTERS

ROASTED PUMPKIN ARANCINI

Rocket & red amaranth salad, amaretto dressing, gorgonzola cream (vegan adaptation available)

HOME-CURED SWEET SMOKED SALMON

Soft quail's egg, potato bavarois, charred leeks, keta & truffle emulsion

ROASTED PARSNIP SOUP

Lemon thyme croutons (vegan adaptation available)

COASTAL CHEDDAR SOUFFLE

Caramelised red onion, white onion velouté, chive oil

HERB CRUMBED SCOTCH EGG

Mustard pickle, pea shoot salad (vegetarian adaptation available)

PRESSED CONFIT DUCK

Pickled walnuts, spiced pear and caraway brioche

MAIN COURSES

BALLOTINE OF CHICKEN

Tarragon mousse, broad beans, pressed potato terrine and Madeira sauce

12 HOUR SLOW COOKED BLADE OF BEEF

Creamy mash, caramelised baby onions, seasonal greens, pancetta and red wine sauce

CONFIT DUCK LEG

Haricot bean stew, braised creamed leeks

SPROUTING BROCCOLI RISOTTO

Broad beans, deep fried hens' egg, truffle (vegan adaptation available) ROASTED PORK LOIN

Hickory smoked sausage, puy lentil ragout, salsa verde

DUO OF CHICKEN

Pan-fried pressed chicken wing, roasted breast, white onion puree, caramelised shallot

STONE BASS

Lemon thyme potato terrine, merlot fish jus, samphire, baby spinach

NEW FOREST MUSHROOM WELLINGTON

Vegetable & potatoes of the season, creamy mustard sauce (vegan adaptation available)

DESSERTS

BREAD & BUTTER PUDDING

Brioche, steeped raisins, homemade custard (vegan adaptation available)

ALMOND & PISTACHIO BAKEWELL

Winter berries, caramelised pear (vegan adaptation available)

CRÈME BRÛLÉE

White chocolate & winter berry mousse, vanilla shortbread (vegan adaptation available)

STICKY TOFFEE PUDDING

Butterscotch sauce (vegan adaptation available)

CLASSIC DARK CHOCOLATE FONDANT

Dark chocolate fondant, butter milk vanilla Chantilly cream, chocolate crackle (vegan adaptation available)

WINTER BERRY & APPLE CRUMBLE

Choose from custard, vanilla ice cream or clotted cream (vegan adaptation available)

FOOD INFORMATION:

MAIN COURSES

THE OLD ENGLISH CLASSIC

Beef, ale & herb puff pastry pie

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Chicken & wild mushroom tarragon pie Roasted root vegetables thyme pie (vegan/vegetarian option)

SERVED WITH

White wine vinegar mash | Steamed seasonal vegetable & roasted carrot | Red wine jus | Parsley liquor

THE IRISH TASTE

Slow cooked beef and Guinness stew

Root vegetable & lentil stew (vegan/vegetarian option)

SERVED WITH

White wine vinegar mash Steamed seasonal vegetable | Rustic breads

THE MOROCCAN TOUCH

Slow braised lamb spiced tagine

Chickpea & harissa vegetable stew (vegan/vegetarian option)

SERVED WITH

Orange & apricot minted pomegranate couscous | Roasted cauliflower | Sweet potatoes | Cumin seeds | Cucumber | Tomato & coriander salad

THE INDIAN FEEL

Chicken tikka masala

Lemongrass Goan fish curry Roasted pumpkin ginger spice coconut curry (vegan/vegetarian option)

SERVED WITH Saffron & cardamon pilau rice | Classic saga loo

THE ITALIAN WAY

Classic beef lasagne

Wild mushroom Spinach truffle Risotto (vegan/vegetarian option)

SERVED WITH

Mozzarella, heritage tomatoes, rocket & basil | Sliced cured meats | Mixed olives | Classic Caesar salad | Rustic bread

MODERN EUROPEAN

Roasted salmon fillet in a white sauce

Steamed seasonal greens | Braised fennel & beetroot salad | Wholegrain mustard & lemon new potatoes | Stuffed courgette ratatouille | Tomato fondue

CLASSIC SUMMER BBQ

Select 4 options from the following:

6OZ WEST COUNTRY BEEF BURGERS With tomato & chilli relish

DORSET MADE PORK SAUSAGES *With BBQ onions*

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MARINATED CHICKEN PIECES

MOROCCAN-SPICED LAMB BURGERS

With mint yoghurt dressing

STICKY BARBECUE SPARE RIBS SALMON & KING PRAWN KEBABS LOCAL PORK LOIN STEAK

SPICY FALAFEL With mint yoghurt dressing

VEGETABLE & HALOUMI KEBABS

SERVED WITH

Your choice of salads | Grilled corn on the cob | Selected breads, dressings and sauces (BBQ will be cooked in the kitchen and served inside)

DESSERT

PLATED DESSERT OF YOUR CHOICE

(Please choose from the wedding breakfast menu)

FOOD INFORMATION:

CHILDREN'S MENUS | £24.00 PER CHILD

(Advised for 2 - 10 year olds)

CORDIALS FOR THE DRINKS RECEPTION & 2 COURSE WEDDING BREAKFAST

MAIN COURSES

Select 1 dish for all children

CHICKEN GOUJONS With mashed potato (or skinny fries) and seasonal vegetables

BREAD PLAICE GOUJONS With mashed potato (or skinny fries) and seasonal vegetables

PASTA TWISTS With creamy bacon or tomato & basil sauce and Italian hard cheese

> SAUSAGE & MASH With onion gravy (vegetarian sausages available)

> > **CHEESE & TOMATO PIZZA** *With skinny fries and seasonal greens*

> > **'MAC & CHEESE'** With skinny fries and seasonal greens

DESSERT

Select 1 dish for all children

SMALLER PORTION OF CHOSEN WEDDING BREAKFAST DESSERT

SEASONAL FRUITS With raspberry sorbet

ICE CREAM

FOOD INFORMATION:

CANAPÉS

COLD CANAPÉS

TOMATO & MOZZARELLA BRUSCHETTA CRUSHED BROAD BEAN, PEA, PARMA HAM, CROSTINI & BASIL CRISPY BUTTERNUT CAKE WITH SMOKED FETA & PESTO SMOKED SALMON & DILL PARFAIT ON BUCKWHEAT PANCAKES WITH KETA HAM HOCK TERRINE WITH APPLE CARAMELISED ENDIVE & BLUE CHEESE TATIN CRAYFISH & DORSET CRAB, DILL LEMON MAYONNAISE, GINGER SEEDED SCONE SEARED BEEF CARPACCIO, SESAME CRISP & GINGERED MUSHROOMS BOMBAY CHAAT WITH TAMARIND, CORIANDER MANGO SALSA BEETROOT CARPACCIO WITH CELERIAC AND HORSERADISH REMOULADE

WARM CANAPÉS

FALAFEL WITH BABA GHANOUSH & TABOULEH SALSA CROQUETTE OF TRUFFLED MACARONI & CHEESE CAVE AGED CHEDDAR & SPRING ONION RAREBIT RARE BEEF & HORSERADISH CREAM FILLED YORKSHIRE PUDDINGS PARMESAN GNOCCHI & SUN DRIED TOMATOES KING PRAWN & PARMA HAM SKEWERS SALT COD BRANDADE, POTATO CRISP & ROMESCO SPICED HARISSA MARINADED SEA-BASS SERVED WITH LEMON & CORIANDER HUMMUS SPICED LAMB KOFTA SKEWER WITH ORANGE MINT YOGHURT HONEY GLAZED LEMON & THYME CHICKEN SKEWER

FOOD INFORMATION:

EVENING BUFFET

(Catering for minimum of 80% of total evening guest numbers required)

THE CHEESE & CHARCUTERIE £18.50 per person

Ripe local and continental cheeses, dried fruits and chutneys Crackers and artisan breads Marinated olives, crostini and Mediterranean dips Dorset made paté, sliced deli cuts and pickles

THE SNACK £21.50 per person

To include 1 of each item per guest and to be offered by the waiting staff for the duration of 1 hour, or until the food has finished

Bacon rolls with tomato relish

Cheese and tomato toasties

Fish & chip cones with tartar sauce

Mini deli burgers topped with cave aged Cheddar – Falafel burgers available on request

EVENING BBQ £23.50 per person

West Country beef burgers, Dorset made pork sausages & marinated chicken pieces and 1 vegetarian option. Seasonal salad leaves with house dressing New potato and spring onion salad Home-made chunky coleslaw Selected breads, dressings and sauces

THE PICNIC £18.50 per person

Selection of 4 different sandwich fillings. Choose from: Free-range egg and micro cress; Coronation chicken with coriander; Smoked salmon and chive cream cheese; Coastal Cheddar, sun kissed tomato and basil; Shrimp cocktail; Ham salad with Tewkesbury mustard; Roast beef and horseradish mayo; Sausage and red onion relish; Bacon, lettuce and tomato

> Crudités and dips Dorset sausages in puff pastry Vegetarian creamed tart

THE FUSION £21.50 per person

Mini ciabatta pizzas (Parma ham, mozzarella & rocket) Sweet potato wedges with basil aioli Dorset sausages in puff pastry Chicken satay skewers, chunky peanut dip Seasonal risotto cakes, Italian hard cheese & truffle dip Vegetable samosa, mint yogurt dip Lamb kofta with tzatziki

EVENING HOG ROAST £23.50 per person

Outdoor reared Dorset hog, carved and served with:

Home-made apple sauce and a choice of mustards, sage and onion stuffing, chunky coleslaw, assorted soft rolls, seasonal salad leaves with house dressing & loads of crackling

Falafel burgers (for pre-ordered vegetarian and vegan guests)

FOOD INFORMATION:

DRINKS PACKAGES

SIENA DRINKS PACKAGE £28.00 per person

1 glass of house Prosecco or bottled beer for the Drinks Reception (Upgrade the reception drink to Pimm's or Aperol Spritz for £2.00 per person) ½ bottle of house red or white wine with your Wedding Breakfast 1 glass of prosecco for the Toast

MEDICI DRINKS PACKAGE £44.00 per person

3 glasses of house Prosecco or bottled beer for the Drinks Reception

(Upgrade all reception drinks to Pimm's or Aperol Spritz for £5.00 per person)

Unlimited house red or white wine with your Wedding Breakfast (served for 2 hours)

1 glass of champagne for the Toast

VERONA DRINKS PACKAGE £35.00 per person

2 glasses of house Prosecco or bottled beer for the Drinks Reception

(Upgrade both reception drinks to Pimm's or Aperol Spritz for £3.50 per person)

1/2 bottle of house red or white wine with your Wedding Breakfast

1 glass of Prosecco for the Toast

ITALIAN GARDEN PACKAGE (ALCOHOL FREE)

£19.00 per person

1 Mocktail or non-alcoholic bottled beer for the Drinks Reception

Jugs of fruit juice and bottles of soft drink with your Wedding Breakfast

1 glass of sparkling elderflower for the Toast

BAR TARIFF

Prices are per glass unless stated. All spirit measures are served in 25ml measures or multiples thereof. Bar items and prices subject to change.

House Prosecco £7.50 Bucks Fizz £7.50 Cocktails from £10.00 House wine £6.50 (175ml) Apple, Orange, Pineapple, Cranberry juice £9.50 per 1.5 litre jug

Fruit punch (non-alcoholic) £12.50 per 1.5 litre jug Soft drinks from £2.75 **ON DRAFT** Draft lagers from £5.50 pint

IN BOTTLES Bottled Lagers from £5.00 Local Ale £6.00 Bottled Ciders from £6.50

SHORTS

Single house spirit from £4.50 Double house spirit from £8.00 Single Premium spirit from £6.75 Double Premium spirit from £9.75 Mixers from £2.75 Premium mixers from £3.00

CORKAGE:

Should you wish to provide your own wine and Champagne to be served during your wedding reception or event, a 'corkage' charge of £15 per bottle of wine and £20 for sparkling wine or Champagne will be made. Corkage is only available during the drinks reception and wedding breakfast. Spirits are not permitted as part of the corkage. Corkage drinks are not permitted in the bar area of the Siena Suite. Any drinks left after the wedding breakfast will be stored for you to collect after the wedding reception or event. Corkage is not permitted during the evening reception or prior to the ceremony. Corkage is not allowed in addition to a drinks package.

HOW MANY GUESTS CAN FIT INTO THE MEDICI SUITE?

The Medici Suite can seat up to 150 for a formal wedding breakfast.

DO YOU HAVE RECOMMENDED SUPPLIERS?

Yes we do, please ask your event coordinator who would be delighted to share this list with you. You are more than welcome to use a supplier who is not on the list, please advise us of their details prior to the day.

ARE THERE HOTELS LOCALLY?

There are plenty of hotels in the locality, please refer to our recommended suppliers list.

IS THE VENUE ACCESSIBLE FOR WHEELCHAIRS?

Yes it is fully accessible; we have a lift to all 3 of our floors, a disabled toilet and the Italian Garden is also accessible via ramp access although the route is slightly longer. Please make your coordinator aware of any guests with accessibility requirements.

DO YOU HAVE A PA AND MUSIC SYSTEM?

Yes we do have a PA system in all three suites, with ceremony amplification in the Verona suite for the hard of hearing. Your CDs and devices can be played through our music systems in all suites (the venue can provide background music). Please ensure you provide the correct adapter for your devices to connect to an AUX cable.

WHAT TIME DO WE HAVE ACCESS TO THE VENUE ON OUR WEDDING DAY?

You will have access from 9am on the morning of your wedding to decorate the venue. Guests will have access from 45 minute before your ceremony time.

WILL WE MEET OUR EVENT MANAGER PRIOR TO THE DAY?

You will have a meeting with your Event Manager on a day leading up to your Wedding. This will be an opportunity for you to meet the person who will be taking care of all your personal requirements on the day.

CAN THE COUPLE USE THE GARDENS WITHIN COMPTON ACRES FOR WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHS?

Part of the Italian garden will be yours exclusively. You are more than welcome to take advantage of the other gardens for your wedding photographs, but please respect the fact that the gardens are still open to the public.

WHAT TIME DO THE GARDENS CLOSE?

The Gardens (with the exception of the Italian Garden) will be locked at 4pm. No photography access will be available after this time.

DO WE NEED TO CONTACT THE REGISTRAR?

Yes. As soon as you have a wedding date in mind, please check the availability and book the BCP council registration team to marry you at The Italian Villa. Tel: 01202 123 232. Payment for your civil ceremony is paid directly to the registrar.

IS IT FREE TO PARK IN THE COMPTON ACRES CAR PARK/CAN GUESTS LEAVE THEIR CARS OVERNIGHT?

Yes there is free parking at The Italian Villa. There will be 30 reserved spaces for you and your guests. More spaces might be available on the day, but this isn't guaranteed. Additional free parking can be found in the surrounding area. Guests are welcome to leave their cars overnight in our car park, but we do ask that cars are removed the following morning by 9.30am. We would advise that any valuables or personal belongings are removed from vehicles as we cannot take any responsibility for any missing articles. Vehicles are left at the owner's risk.

WHEN CAN WE COLLECT BELONGINGS LEFT OVER FROM THE WEDDING?

Everything must be collected by 10am the next morning. The Italian Villa is closed on Sundays and Bank Holidays unless a wedding is taking place so please check with your event manager. We would recommend that you always remove any personal or valuable possessions at the end of the evening as The Italian Villa cannot take responsibility for any missing or damaged items.

CAN WE HAVE A WEDDING BREAKFAST MENU TASTING?

Yes, if you are holding your reception with us you will be offered a complimentary menu tasting for 2 people. We are unable to offer tastings for BBQ and buffet menus, Your tasting will include 2 starters, 2 main courses and 2 desserts. Ingredients are subject to seasonality. Upgraded dishes will incur a charge if selected. Tastings typically take place during our quieter period of November, January and February time. Tastings take place during the evening weekdays and weekends where possible although these are not always guaranteed and down to the venue's availability.

ARE CANDLES AND TEA-LIGHTS ALLOWED AT THE VENUE?

Real candles are permitted in the Medici Suite on your tables during the meal/wedding breakfast. All candles need to be placed in safe, suitable tea-light holders. We do ask any candles in the Verona Suite or Siena Suite are LED.

IS CONFETTI PERMITTED?

We will provide the confetti for you on your wedding day which is special, bio-degradable confetti that is suitable for our gardens. Confetti is for external use only.

HOW MANY GUESTS CAN BE SEATED AROUND EACH TABLE?

We have 2 sizes of round tables available. Our 6ft tables seat 8-10 people and our 5'6 tables seat 6-8 people. Top tables vary in shape and size and can seat between 2-10 people. Your top table can be positioned either end of the Medici Suite. Round tables can also be used as your top table.

DO YOU SUPPLY HIGHCHAIRS?

We have 4 highchairs that can be used

CAN WE DEVISE OUR OWN CATERING PACKAGES?

Yes, bespoke packages can be designed based upon your requirements – this will be priced accordingly. The prices will be no lower than the quoted brochure prices based upon the time of the year and day of the week you are considering.

CAN WE HAVE OPTION FOR OUR GUESTS ON THE WEDDING BREAKFAST?

Yes you can opt to have three choices for each course for your guests to select from (including a vegetarian/vegan option), however, there will be a supplement of £10 per person. Choices will need to be selected at least 2 weeks before the wedding day and the personal choices must be clearly marked on the table plan (a template can be provided). Choices cannot be offered on the day.

WHEN DO YOU NEED TO HAVE FINAL NUMBERS AND RECEIVE THE FINAL TABLE PLAN?

We will require final numbers one month before the wedding, and the table plan two weeks before the wedding.

CAN WE SUPPLY OUR OWN ALCOHOL DURING THE EVENING?

Clients are not permitted to bring their own drinks for the evening reception as there is a fully licensed pay bar in the Siena Suite (please see drinks information for corkage charges for drinks reception and wedding breakfast).

IS THE BAR OPEN ALL DAY?

Yes, the bar will be open one hour before your ceremony and then throughout the rest of your day.

IS THE VENUE CHILD FRIENDLY?

Absolutely. We welcome all child guests with pleasure but ask that, if you have 10 or more attending, you hire a crèche or designated childcare.

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