

*Weddings at the Royal Pavilion
and Preston Manor*





Welcome to the Royal Pavilion



We are delighted that you are considering holding your wedding at the Royal Pavilion and would like to offer you our warmest congratulations. This breathtaking Regency palace really does offer a unique venue for civil wedding ceremonies and receptions in the heart of Brighton's cultural quarter.

Built as King George IV's pleasure palace when Brighton was the heart of fashionable Regency society,

the Royal Pavilion was also used by King William IV and Queen Victoria. Today it has been restored to its original 1823 splendour with Indian architecture contrasted with exotic interiors inspired by China.

As well as welcoming royalty and distinguished guests, we have since 1995 hosted some of the most beautiful weddings. With its exquisite elegance the Royal Pavilion makes the perfect backdrop for your special day.



Your Perfect Venue



The Royal Pavilion Weddings Team is pleased to offer a friendly, bespoke and personal service. From your first visit to your special day we are on hand to help make sure everything runs smoothly.

'A huge "thank you" for making our civil partnership so fantastic! Everything at the Pavilion was so calm, ordered and perfect. We will remember our special day and the amazing people who helped make it that way - thank you' - Tracy and Hannah

'The Royal Pavilion is an exceptional place to get married and we will always smile every time we walk by it. You and your team did an amazing job - we couldn't have asked for more! Thank you for all your hard work.' - Mr and Mrs Spence

'Thank you so much for all your help with our wedding. Your flexibility and eagerness to help has put you firmly amongst the best service we have received. We are absolutely over the moon with everything that you did for us during the planning stage and are so pleased with how the day went. All our guests felt that it was a very special ceremony' - Derek and Minori



The Music Room



Exchange your vows in the dazzling splendour of the Music Room. If you are looking for a ceremony room that will simply take your breath away the Music Room could be for you. This room can be hired in the evenings only and seats up to 90 people. You and your guests will enter via the main grand entrance of the palace and be led to the Music Room via the Long Gallery, which is full of exotic furnishings and Chinese objets d'art.

This room is one of our most spectacular and impressive state rooms. Its extraordinary interior is lit by nine lotus-shaped chandeliers with stunning walls decorated with rich red and gold canvases in the Chinoiserie style that are supported by painted dragons.

The windows are dressed with opulent blue silk-satin draperies supported by carved flying dragons. The gilded domed ceiling is made up

of hundreds of plaster cockleshells creating an illusion of height, making it hard not to look up as you enter the room. All in all, a truly regal and unparalleled setting to mark the start of your married life together.

Ceremonies are performed by the Brighton & Hove Register Office and an additional fee is payable directly to them for this service.



The Red Drawing Room



This beautiful room retains much of George IV's original 1820s striking decorative scheme incorporating the Royal Pavilion's distinctive dragon wallpaper and palm tree pillars. It is available for daytime or evening hire throughout the year and can seat a total of 44 people.

The Red Drawing Room is located on the ground floor of the palace and is not open to the general public. With its own private entrance leading directly from the Regency gardens, it gives the feel of true exclusivity to this area of the palace on your special day.

Following the ceremony photographs of the couple can be taken in the magnificent Music Room, followed by group photographs in the delightful setting of the gardens.

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The Royal Pavilion Reception Rooms



The King William IV Room



Situated on the first floor above the Red Drawing Room the King William IV Room, offers an elegant setting for both day and evening receptions. Decorated in Chinese style, this room features beautiful hand-painted wallpaper and oriental lanterns.

The William IV Room also benefits from its own private entrance leading directly from the Royal Pavilion gardens.

Maximum Room Capacities	
Drinks reception	80
Standing buffet	70
Seated dinner	60

The Adelaide Rooms



The beautifully refurbished Adelaide Rooms on the palace's upper floors is a sophisticated space, which includes two rooms, with a sunny balcony for the warmer months overlooking the glorious Royal Pavilion Gardens. This suite of rooms is available for evening hire only.

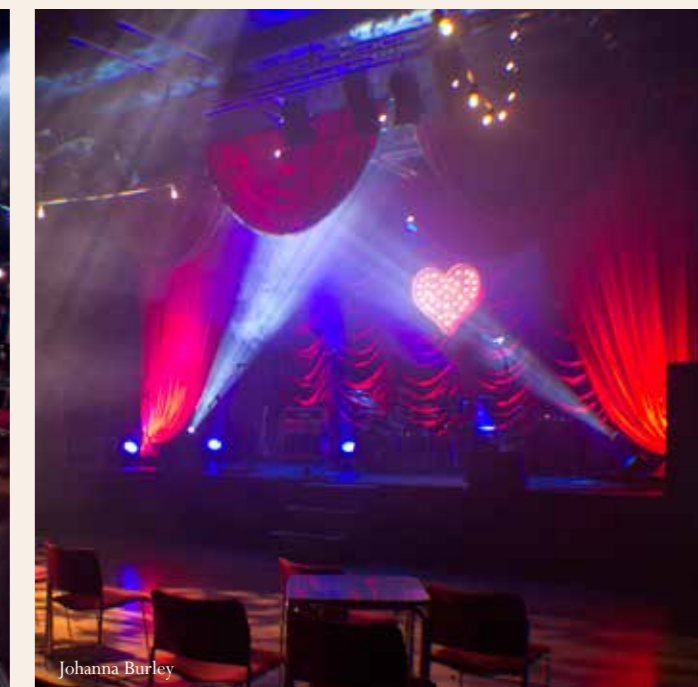
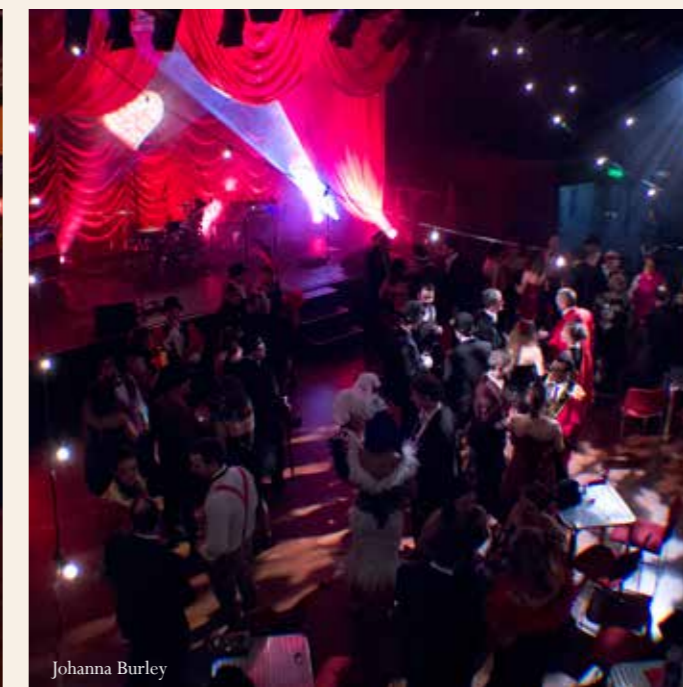
Maximum Room Capacities

Drinks reception	75	Standing buffet	60
Seated dinner in two rooms	54	Seated dinner in one room	40

The Royal Pavilion can be hired for your reception even if you are not holding your ceremony at the palace. Please note that as an historic building the Royal Pavilion is not suitable for parties and dancing is not permitted. Along with our preferred suppliers we will ensure that the setting will be wonderful and that a warm and gracious welcome awaits your guests.

All catering is supplied by your choice of one of our approved caterers.

Brighton Dome Studio Theatre Receptions



Located on the bustling New Road promenade adjacent to the Royal Pavilion Gardens, Brighton Dome Studio Theatre provides an ideal venue for your post-wedding celebrations. This venue is part of the Brighton Dome complex and is independent to the Royal Pavilion & Museums.

This flexible space can accommodate a formal dinner for up to 100 guests or a standing reception for up to 350 guests.

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Ceremonies take place in the classically decorated Dining Room with sweeping views across the croquet lawn and Preston Park. This room can be booked throughout the year and accommodates up to 30 people, including the wedding couple.

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Photographs can be taken in the grounds of the house and its enchanting walled garden. Drinks receptions can be held in the grand Entrance Hall and full receptions can be held in the grounds.

All hire fees quoted are based on grounds hire only; marquees would need to be hired separately by the wedding party. A list of marquee suppliers is available on request.

Ten steps to booking your wedding at the Royal Pavilion or Preston Manor

- 1 Decide on a possible date or time of year for your ceremony. Telephone us on 03000 290 905 to see if the dates are available.
- 2 Book a site visit to come and view the rooms and make a provisional booking if required.
- 3 Call Brighton & Hove Register Office on 01273 292 016 to check if they have the date and times available. If yes, book the date with them also.
- 4 When you have decided to go ahead with the booking, email or write to the Royal Pavilion confirming both of your names and the date of your ceremony.
- 5 Contact your LOCAL Register Office (nearest to where you both live) to book an appointment to give notice. NB This must be done no more than 12 months but at least 28 days prior to your ceremony date.
- 6 On receipt of your hiring agreement from the Royal Pavilion & Museums, sign and return.
- 7 Pay a 30% deposit to the Weddings Team.
- 8 Four weeks prior to your ceremony pay the final balance.
- 9 One week prior, contact the Weddings Team to go through final details before your ceremony.
- 10 All cheques should be made payable to 'Brighton & Hove City Council' or you can pay by credit card over the telephone.



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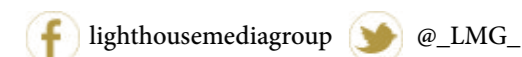
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