



The
BARNYARD

Kent's most enchanting wedding venue



Your Dream Wedding Venue

Nestled in the heart of the Garden of England, surrounded by 150 acres of stunning Kentish countryside combining rolling hills, natural woodland and romantic apple and pear orchards, The BarnYard is an enchanting setting for the most memorable day of your life. Tranquil, charming and unique, licensed for Ceremonies and home to both a beautiful old barn conversion as well as a truly luxurious permanent grand marquee which can host lavish receptions for up to 300 guests.

Combining breathtaking scenery, outstanding service and fine locally sourced food, The BarnYard is the perfect setting for the most perfect wedding day.

We believe we have an amazing wedding venue - we hope you do too!



"This is where our love story begins"



*"we didn't realise we were making memories,
we just knew we were having fun"*





A Little Bit of History...

In 2007 The BarnYard, predominately a pick your own farm and rustic restaurant/tea-rooms, changed hands. With the change came new agricultural developments to the farmland and an exciting new vision by the then new owners to create a stunning wedding venue nestled within acres of apple and pear orchards. The owners believed that this idyllic setting could be the perfect location for weddings and set about turning this vision into a reality. The vision was to create a premier wedding venue which made the most of the beautiful setting within the Garden of England. Quiet, peaceful and beautiful.

The BarnYard was purposefully redesigned and built with the perfect wedding in mind, from design, layout, landscaped gardens and stunning grounds making beautiful photographic opportunities. The current owners have continued with this vision and ongoing improvements to the venue have been and will continue to be made to keep everything 'just perfect'.





A Beautiful Setting...

The first thing you will feast your eyes on as you approach the venue is the beautiful entranceway, surrounded by acres of apple and pear orchards, rolling hills and woodland.

The most perfect landscape to house our magnificent grand marquee and beautiful barn buildings.

And it just gets better as with over 150 acres of gorgeous varying landscape to wander around you will be spoilt for choice for those all important photography settings. From our Topiary Garden with romantic wooden bridge to a beautiful copper tree water fountain and orchard garden with rustic wrought iron arch all set amongst stunning natural beauty and orchards aplenty - the perfect setting to capture your memories forever.

Why Choose The BarnYard ?

- ❧ Fantastic Kentish setting with the chance to theme the wedding exactly as you wish
- ❧ Various function rooms / areas for your exclusive use
- ❧ Services of our wedding co-ordinator and team
- ❧ Choice of wedding ceremony room (indoors or outdoors) to suit the British weather
- ❧ Quality home-cooked, locally sourced Kentish catering with a great choice of menus
- ❧ No charge for children aged 0-4 years but catering provided. Children aged 5-11 years charged at half the adult package price
- ❧ Potential for use of all the grounds and buildings for fantastic, unique photographs
- ❧ Fully inclusive wedding venue for less stressful organising i.e. catering and venue in one
- ❧ Free parking in on-site wedding car park
- ❧ A fully licensed, beautiful, rustic integral bar, with competitive prices AND being positioned right next to the dance floor
- ❧ Accessible by car and public transport
- ❧ An informal toastmaster
- ❧ Excellent accommodation in the immediate locality
- ❧ And most importantly - no hidden costs!





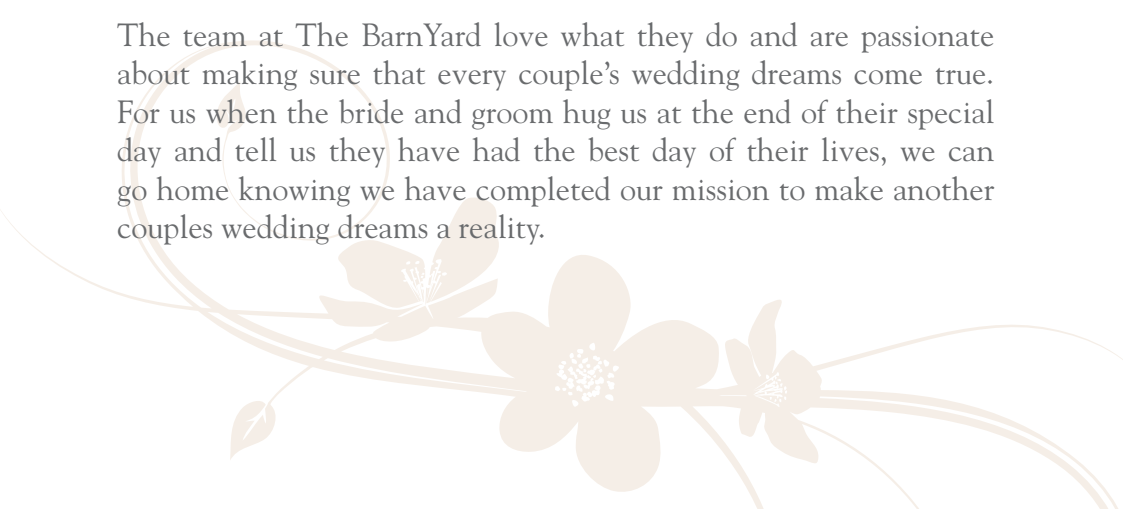
You Are In Good Hands...

The BarnYard is owned and managed by Joanne and David McInnes, a husband and wife team who are very experienced in the wedding business and who strive to keep the BarnYard the very best it can be. Backed up by a great team of fun, dedicated, smart and enthusiastic staff who will help to deliver your perfect wedding day, guiding you through the planning of every detail from initial showround to final meeting and being on hand to answer all of your preparation questions.

Our team genuinely cares about your needs and requirements and will bend over backwards to bring you the wedding day that you have always dreamt of so, on the actual day, you can sit back, relax and enjoy your special day.

On your actual wedding day we will warmly welcome you to The BarnYard and be on hand every step of the way, acting as informal toastmaster to guide you, your best man and guests effortlessly through the formalities of the day.

The team at The BarnYard love what they do and are passionate about making sure that every couple's wedding dreams come true. For us when the bride and groom hug us at the end of their special day and tell us they have had the best day of their lives, we can go home knowing we have completed our mission to make another couples wedding dreams a reality.



Let's Get Hitched...

At The BarnYard we are licensed to hold civil ceremonies and partnerships for up to 200 guests (depending on location) in a choice of four separate areas.

Indoor ceremonies can be held all year round in our permanent all season elegant grand marquee or, for simpler, later in the day, smaller wedding ceremonies, in our restaurant barn building. There is now also a choice of stunning outdoor ceremony areas for you to choose from - all totally different from each other.

Our wedding team will book your wedding ceremony on your behalf with the Kent Registrars. All you need to do is select the date and time you wish to get married. You can be married seven days a week between 9am and 7pm. A pack containing everything you need to know for the ceremony will be sent by the Registry Office once they have received the initial paperwork from our wedding team and after making contact with yourselves. Please note that there will always be a charge made to you by the Registry Office to perform a marriage ceremony at The BarnYard over and above the venue hire fee that The BarnYard charges.



"His forever was as simple as her smile"



The Wedding Ceremony...

If you are looking to be married outdoors, then you will be spoiled for choice as we have three very different areas to offer - all having far reaching views of the orchards, hills and woodland which surround The BarnYard.

The first is our beautiful Breezhouse where guests, sitting on our raised decking area can enjoy elevated views. Secondly our brand new Topiary Garden Gazebo set at the end of a beautiful long aisle walkway close to the marquee and finally our Orchard Garden Gazebo situated behind the marquee with literally panoramic views of beautiful apple and pear orchards, pretty rolling hills and bluebell woodland.

We have a PA system with all of our outdoor ceremony areas to enable us to play your chosen music for your ceremony.

Of course we all know that the great British weather means that the sun does not always shine. In these cases if the ceremony has to move inside, we ensure that the marquee ceremony room is already set up, so any last minute changes to the weather can be seamlessly accommodated and due to the exceptional panoramic views of our orchards from this indoor room you still get as close as possible to the feeling of an outdoor wedding but without having to get wet!!



Although the civil ceremony room is a part of the main marquee, we are able to create a completely separate room by the use of a portable curtained corridor which ensures that the wedding breakfast part of the marquee remains hidden away until the all important grand unveiling. The indoor ceremony area also has a PA system to enable us to play your chosen music for your ceremony.

For couples wishing to have a smaller, more budget conscious, later in the day wedding ceremony (with party only afterwards) we now offer new Twilight Weddings where you make use of our beautiful converted barn restaurant to get married in and then, after the ceremony has taken place, you get to use this room as your party room. Available Monday to Saturday any week of the year. Twilight weddings are also available in our marquee on certain mid week dates. More details on this can be found later in this brochure or ask to see a copy of our dedicated Twilight Wedding brochure.









The Wedding Breakfast

After your wedding ceremony your guests will join you on our beautiful manicured lawn outside the marquee for our attentive waitresses to serve you your chosen reception drink and canapés. You then have some time for photographs to be taken whilst your guests mingle on the lawn, sit and chat in any one of our numerous landscaped gardens, play garden games or just wander around our fantastic landscape.

Your wedding breakfast is held in our elegant all season marquee, purposefully positioned at the bottom of a hill, sheltered a little from the full force of the English weather. Unlike other venues with marquees which have them erected and dismantled seasonally, The BarnYard's elegant marquee is permanent in structure which has allowed us to equip it to the highest of standards from the 18ft long 'shabby chic' white painted solid oak bar, intelligent lighting to match your colour scheme, beautiful fairy lit and decorated ceiling, deluxe indoor toilets, powder room area, thermostatically controlled heating, stage and dance floor and fully integrated sound system with PA, speakers and wireless microphone.

The marquee's vast draped ceiling is also hung with five beautiful glass and crystal chandeliers which help to create that wow factor. The dance floor area is 'cocooned' by twinkly starlit black curtains where you will also find a gorgeous mirror ball and other DJ lighting. Other seasonal decoration is carried out in the marquee at certain times of the year to help give it that WOW factor totally stunning!





Along the whole front of the marquee there are numerous glass bi-folding doors which, when fully open, allows greater circulation of air and gives the feeling of the outdoors being brought in. This allows for more natural light to flood the inside and, with the addition of our recently landscaped Orchard Garden just outside the back of the marquee, ensures a stunning backdrop for photos that maybe, due to weather conditions outside of our control, have to be taken inside the marquee.

We can accommodate up to 200 guests in our marquee for a wedding breakfast and 300 guests for the evening party. There are a number of room configurations and layouts depending on numbers but we are happy to be as flexible as possible to accommodate your requirements.

Our marquee is a beautiful blank canvas which you are welcome to decorate in any way you wish.







The Barnyard

Let's Party...

Whilst you are enjoying your wedding breakfast your choice of evening entertainment is able to be set up 'behind the scenes' so that ... voila ... when you are ready to party a curtain is drawn back to reveal the stage and dance floor with the entertainment ready to go.

With the intelligent lighting switched on to match your own colour scheme and the beautiful fairy lit ceiling, the marquee at night is a fabulous affair. Lit up it looks totally breathtaking! A black twinkly fairy lit curtain is draped across the ceiling over the dance floor area which adds to the party atmosphere in the evening.

The BarnYard is magical at night. As dusk falls the landscaped grounds around the outside of the marquee and the entrance way light up with thousands of fairy lights strung from the trees and uplighters in the foliage, making a stunning impact for your evening guests as they arrive and for you to enjoy while having 'Al fresco' drinks on the lawn.





It's The 'Extra' Things That Count...

At The BarnYard we offer a host of additions to make your wedding day stand out from the crowd.

-  Hire of our giant wooden games
-  Chair covers or hire of different chairs
-  4 or 5 tier speciality cheese tower, fully decorated and displayed
-  French 'dresser' sweetie table
-  Pop up gin or other themed drinks rustic bar
-  The BarnYard's own labelled mini jam/chutney pot wedding favours
-  The BarnYard's own food and gift hampers (great as wedding gifts)
-  Bespoke bunting
-  Beautiful vintage china hire
-  Browse our gift shop for quirky wedding gift/decoration ideas

Please ask our wedding co-ordinator for further details on any of the above.





Those All Important Costings...

Venue Hire

The BarnYard charge a venue hire fee for exclusive use of the 'wedding area' i.e. the marquee, outside wedding ceremony area and surrounding gardens. The venue hire fee remains the same whether you want to hold your wedding ceremony on site using any of our outdoor ceremony areas or just have your wedding reception here. The only addition to this is if you wish to use our Orchard Garden Gazebo for your outside wedding ceremony area, then we would make a small charge for use of this.

Venue hire allows use from 9.15am - midnight (entertainment & bar closes at 11.30pm). For a small charge we offer an extension to 1am (entertainment & bar closes at 12.30am).

Couples who book the 'wedding area' above for their wedding day can choose to exclusively hire the whole venue for the evening for an additional charge of £2,500. This would mean that we won't offer our converted barn restaurant for any other evening functions. Please ask for more details.

Time of Year	Months	Sunday to Thursday	Friday	Saturday*
Peak	June to September	£1,000.00	£1,750.00	£2,500.00
Spring	May (blossom)	£850.00	£1,250.00	£2,000.00
Off Peak	April and October	£750.00	£1000.00	£1,500.00
Winter	November to March	£500.00	£750.00	£1,000.00

* Good Friday and Sundays over a Bank Holiday weekend are charged as per the Saturday venue hire and catering package price.

Bookings made during December have the benefit of the marquee being beautifully decorated for Christmas.

Please note that the Kent Registrars charge an additional amount for marrying you at our venue and this is totally separate to our charges.

We try to be totally flexible and in certain circumstances are able to discuss a quotation for a smaller function.

Fully Inclusive Catering Package

Our wedding catering package costing includes everything you may require for your guests who are invited to the whole wedding day **including** their evening catering. Prices are per adult inclusive of VAT.

Please Note - Children aged 0-4 years are totally free of charge but still catered for and need to be included in final numbers. Children aged 5-11 years are charged at 50% of the adult price. Children can have either a smaller portion of the adult menu choice or a 'child friendly' meal.

Time of Year	Months	Sunday to Thursday	Friday	Saturday*
2020 - Peak	June to September Minimum Guest Numbers	£90.00 60 adults	£110.00 60 adults	£110.00 80 adults
2020 - Spring	May Minimum Guest Numbers	£85.00 50 adults	£90.00 50 adults	£107.50 60 adults
2020 - Off Peak	April & October Minimum Guest Numbers	£85.00 50 adults	£85.00 50 adults	£105.00 60 adults
2020 - Winter	November to March Minimum Guest Numbers	£80.00 50 adults	£80.00 50 adults	£100.00 60 adults
2021 - Peak	June to September Minimum Guest Numbers	£95.00 60 adults	£115.00 60 adults	£115.00 80 adults
2021 - Spring	May Minimum Guest Numbers	£90.00 50 adults	£95.00 50 adults	£112.50 60 adults
2021 - Off Peak	April & October Minimum Guest Numbers	£90.00 50 adults	£90.00 50 adults	£110.00 60 adults
2021 - Winter	November to March Minimum Guest Numbers	£85.00 50 adults	£85.00 50 adults	£105.00 60 adults
2022 - Peak	June to September Minimum Guest Numbers	£100.00 60 adults	£120.00 60 adults	£120.00 80 adults
2022 - Spring	May Minimum Guest Numbers	£95.00 50 adults	£100.00 50 adults	£117.50 60 adults
2022 - Off Peak	April & October Minimum Guest Numbers	£95.00 50 adults	£95.00 50 adults	£115.00 60 adults
2022 - Winter	November to March Minimum Guest Numbers	£90.00 50 adults	£90.00 50 adults	£110.00 60 adults

Our Catering Package price is inclusive of the following:-

- ❦ Waitress served hot and cold canapés with choice of reception drink after your wedding ceremony (or upon arrival if married elsewhere).
- ❦ Three course sit down wedding breakfast or daytime BBQ (see menu page for choices). Upgraded 'Zari and luxury BBQ' menu available at a supplement.
- ❦ Speciality ground coffee and tea served with chocolate mints and artisan marvellous marshmallows (various flavours).
- ❦ Drinks package to include half a bottle of wine per person, a bottle of The BarnYard's own Kentish apple juice and mineral water on every table and a glass of Prosecco for your toasting drink (Champagne available as an upgrade).
- ❦ Evening party menu (or other choice of food for the evening from our brochure). We don't stipulate you have to cater for any of your additional evening guests but those you do wish to cater for will be charged at £17.00 per head.
- ❦ Provision of furniture to include round and trestle tables and banqueting chairs. Chair covers or hiring in of preferred chairs are arranged via one of our two venue decorators at an additional cost.
- ❦ Elegant starched crisp white table linen to include tablecloths and folded napkins, white china, cutlery and glassware. Vintage china available at a supplement.
- ❦ Provision of uniformed waiting and bar staff under professional supervision.
- ❦ Services of an informal toastmaster to facilitate your wedding which can include announcing your entrance to the Wedding Breakfast, the speeches and cutting of the cake.
- ❦ Duty manager in the evening after the toastmaster/wedding co-ordinator has left.
- ❦ Fully equipped and serviced bar selling a large selection of beers (bottled and draught), wines and spirits (competitive prices) with plenty of staff to allow for an efficient service.
- ❦ Oak Table Plan Easel to display your seating plan (we recommend no smaller than A1 size).
- ❦ Complimentary 'BarnYard Breakfast' for wedding couple and up to four guests the morning after the wedding to be enjoyed in our beautiful oak beamed restaurant.
- ❦ Complimentary personalised 'BarnYard' wedding sign which will be displayed on your wedding day and will be yours to take home after as a keepsake.



Example Costing:

Based on a Saturday wedding in summer 2020 with the minimum guest requirement of 80 adults being invited during the day:

Venue Hire = £2,500

Wedding Package = £8,800

(80 daytime guests @ £110 per person)

Total cost = £11,300

Then add on £17.00 per person for however many additional evening guests that you wish to cater for. There is no minimum amount for this requirement.

Due to the longevity of our wedding brochure we reserve the right to alter prices where necessary i.e. charges outside of our control for example if the VAT rate changes.



Your Wedding Breakfast Menu Choice

Our chefs are inspired by The BarnYard's homegrown and locally sourced ingredients, often organic. At The BarnYard you are literally surrounded by beautiful apple and pear orchards, the fruit of which are used in the various menus on offer.

We are happy to offer a choice of arrangements for your wedding day breakfast. The 'included' option is that you pick just one choice from each course from your chosen menu which we will prepare and serve to all your guests on your wedding day (of course taking into account any guest's dietary requirements which we can discuss at the final wedding meeting). The second option (which is available at a supplement of £2.00 per head) is that you can offer two choices from each course to your guests (not including a vegetarian option) which you can bring to the final wedding meeting with the guest numbers required for each option.

Reception Drinks Selection

Select a glass of the following to be waitress served with a selection of chef's choice hot and cold canapés. Please note that we will also serve glasses of Barn Yard own fruit juice as a non alcoholic alternative and for the children.

Rosé Prosecco with a fresh strawberry

Summer Pimms and Lemonade

Prosecco

Gin Fizz (supplement applies)

Mulled Wine

Champagne available at a supplement

Starters

Cream of Spring Onion & Brie Soup, Toasted Sippets (v)

Roasted Vine Tomato & fresh Basil Soup drizzled with Rocket Oil (v)

Assiette of Prawns - Prawn Cocktail, Sweet Chilli King Prawn &

Red Velvet Breaded Prawns

Cantaloupe Melon Pearls & Bocconcini with local Honey (v)

Kentish Field Mushrooms pan-fried in Butter, Brandy, Garlic & Chilli finished in a Coriander Cream Sauce (v)

Ham Hock Terrine served with British Piccalilli & Ciabatta

Pea & Mint Falafel served with Hummus & Pitta Bread

Duck & Orange Pate, served with Redcurrant Puree, Rustic Bread

Main Course

Braised Beef Forrestier, Wild Mushrooms, Merlot Wine

Panfried Cornfed Chicken Breast, Pancetta, Asparagus, with Cider & Shallot Sauce

Horseradish and Apple Crusted Salmon Fillet, St Clements Reduction

Roasted Pork Loin with Cumberland and Sage Stuffing, Crackling, Pan Rich Gravy

Steak & Spitfire Ale Pie with Puff Pastry 'Lid'

Trio of BarnYard Sausages, Spring Onion Mash, Sticky Onion Gravy all served in a Giant Yorkshire Pudding

Aged Lamb Rump soaked in local Honey, fresh Herbs & Orange Juice

Field Mushroom & Kentish Blue Cheese Tart (v)

Beetroot, Red Onion & Kale Wellington (v)

Desserts... the best bit!

Chocolate Brownie topped with Honeycombe Ice Cream, Chocolate Sauce

The BarnYard Apple Pie served with Vanilla Custard Sauce

Cheesecake - Banoffee, Butterscotch or Vanilla

Zesty Lemon Tart with Black Cherry Coulis

Deep Chocolate Fudge Cake with Fudge Sauce

Rhubarb & Custard Tart, served with Tutti Frutti Ice Cream

Eton Mess, mixed Seasonal Berries, Whipped Cream, Fresh Mint with Rhubarb & Rosehip Syrup

Key Lime Pie with fresh Cream & Toasted Coconut

Or choose our daytime BBQ...

Homemade 4oz Steak Burger

Cumberland Sausages

Bacon Chops with Pineapple

Rainbow Vegetable and Halloumi Skewers

Chicken Tikka Kebabs

Black Pepper & Garlic King Prawns

Corn on the Cob

Sautéed Onions

The BarnYards' homemade Three Cabbage Coleslaw, Pasta with Field Mushrooms & Coriander Potato & Egg Salad, Garden Salad, Tomato & Red Onion Salad, Sauces & Accompaniments

Desserts Table

Luxury Wedding Breakfast Menu Choices

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Our luxury wedding breakfast and BBQ menu listed below are available to choose at a supplement of £5.00 per person. The same arrangements apply regarding choosing the options as our standard wedding breakfast menu.

Starters

French Onion Soup flavoured with Brandy, Cheese Flute (v)

Whitstable Bay Chowder Soup, Cheese Flute

Tian of Hot Smoked Salmon & Crayfish with a Lobster Dressing

Crispy Kentish Goats Cheese rolled in Panko Breadcrumbs & loaded with Red Onion Marmalade (v)

Tea Smoked Duck with Mini Herb Salad, Orange Segments & Figs

Double Melon and Serrano Ham with Balsamic Mayonnaise

Antipasti 'Sharing' Platter - cured meats with marinated olives, sun-dried tomatoes, torn mozzarella balls, cherry tomatoes & ciabatta (only available for the whole table)

Main Course

Pork Tenderloin Fillet with an Apricot Stuffing, Thyme & Mustard Glaze

Grilled Fillet of Sea Bass with Crayfish & Lemongrass Sauce served with Wild Rice

Beef Medallions (cooked medium) layered with Pate and served on a Crostini

Breast of Chicken 'Princess' filled with fresh Asparagus & wrapped in Italian Ham served on a Pink Champagne Sauce

Rack of Lamb, Mediterranean Vegetables, Lamb Jus

Roast Sirloin of Beef served with Creamy Horseradish & Yorkshire Pudding - the Great British roast at its best!

Maize Fed Chicken Breast, Wild Mushrooms, encased in Puff Pastry, Tarragon & Brandy Cream Sauce

Butternut Squash, Spinach & Tofu Strudel (v)

Fresh Asparagus, Chickpea & Vegan Mozzarella Cheese Pasta Bake (gf) (v)

Desserts... the best bit!

Exclusive Whole 'BarnYard' Apple Crumble with Honeycombe Ice Cream

Baked Tiramisu Cheesecake with Summer Berry Caviar

Dark Chocolate & Orange Tart

The BarnYard Sharing Chocolate Fondue with Mini Donuts, Strawberries & Marshmallows to dip finished with Popping Candy (All Guests)

Lemon Meringue with fresh Raspberries & Candied Lemon Peel

A Trio of Mini Desserts (All Guests) -

Lemon Cheese Cake, Chocolate Brownie & Fruit Vacaran

Or choose our luxury daytime BBQ...

Entrecôte Steak with Garlic & Rosemary

Wild Boar Sausages

Veggy Sausage, Halloumi & Courgette Skewers

Tandoori Chicken Fillets

Lamb Kebabs, Plum Sauce

Blackened Salmon & Brown Shrimp

Caramelised Onions

BBQ Corn on the Cob rubbed with Lime Juice & Butter

Rustic BarnYard home-made 3 Cabbage Coleslaw

Minted Kentish New Potatoes

Rustic Bread Basket / Pittas

Celeriac, Apple & Walnut Salad, Garden Pea Salad

Sauces & Accompaniments

Desserts Table

Please note other vegetarian options available upon request.



Evening Menu Options

We offer a great range of evening dining arrangements, all of which are included in the price for your daytime guests. Any additional evening guests that you wish to cater for will be charged at £17 per head.

The BarnYard Finger Buffet

Assorted Sandwiches & Tortilla Wraps

Jerk Chicken Skewers

Onion Bhaji & Mango Chutney

Pea & Mint Falafel, Hummus

Hot Thyme Roasted Potatoes

Red Velvet Breaded Prawns

Sliced BarnYard Sausages rolled in Grain Mustard

The BarnYard Cheese Selection served with Grapes, Chutney & Savoury Biscuits

Evening BBQ

Classic 100% pure Beefburger Pattie served with Fried Onions

BarnYard Sausages

Moroccan Spiced Chicken Drumsticks

Courgette & Veggie Sausage Kebab

Selection of Bread Rolls

Seasonal Leaf Salad

Potato and Chive Salad

Classic Coleslaw Salad

Beef Tomatoes & Red Onion Salad

Hog Roast Buffet

(You will be charged for a minimum of 80 guests)

Please note that from October to April the actual 'hog' will not be visible but the food served with remain as below:

Traditional pulled Hog with Crackling

The BarnYard Apple Sauce & Condiments

Various Baps, Garden Salad, Creamy Coleslaw

Hot Fork Buffet

Choose 2 from the following choices:

Mexican Beef Chilli with Tacos & sour cream

Madras / Tikka / Jalfrezi (chicken or lamb) served with Chutney, Poppadoms & Rice

Minted Lamb Kofta Kebabs with Mango & Fresh Mint Yogurt served with Pitta Bread

Slow Cooked Beef with Chestnut Mushrooms in Red Wine

Chipotle Spiced Chicken Thighs with Coriander Yoghurt

Jack Daniels Pulled BBQ Pork

Moroccan Spiced Lamb Tagine

Coq au Vin with Smoked Lardons & Button Mushrooms

Vegetarian Option Upon Request

or just opt for the favourite

Bacon & Kentish Korker Sausage Butties with Floured Baps

Served with various Mustards, Fried Onions & Pickles

The BarnYard Cheese Selection served with Grapes, Celery, Chutney & Savoury Biscuits





Private Hire for Celebrations

With different areas available for hire, the BarnYard can offer the perfect setting for your celebrations whether it be a later wedding ceremony and reception party, anniversary celebrations, special age parties or private dining.

Restaurant and Bar

Our beautiful oak beamed barn restaurant, mezzanine area, quaint bar and courtyard are available to hire for exclusive use allowing for intimate gatherings of 20 to larger parties of up to 150 making it an ideal location for celebrations ranging from later in the day wedding ceremonies followed by a wedding reception party, birthdays, anniversaries, office parties, christenings and wakes. We can work the room configuration around according to your needs i.e for a wedding ceremony we can place the rustic wooden chairs theatre style with an aisle down the middle which can then all be removed to make room for dancing space in the evening while your guests are relaxing in the bar. Our outside areas are magical in the evenings with the sound of water cascading from our fabulous central copper tree fountain and everywhere beautifully lit from both uplighters in the foliage and fairylights strung from the trees - absolutely stunning!

Occasionally our rustic bar area can be hired as a stand alone area for smaller parties and events. Our bar is fully stocked with all the usual requirements including a great range of GIN!



Our luxurious marquee is a permanent structure which means that, unlike other marquees, ours is available all year round and is equipped to the highest standards with a state of the art lighting system (to light the marquee with your chosen colour scheme), moveable stage and dance floor and fully integrated sound system with PA system, 18ft long, shabby chic, white painted solid oak bar, deluxe in-house toilets and thermostatically controlled heating (for those long winter evenings). As a blank canvas the marquee allows you complete creativity and use of themes without compromise with a floor space which can be changed and adapted to your requirements.

Be it a black tie canapé reception and sumptuous dinner, school prom, afternoon tea party or a relaxed informal delicious BBQ the BarnYard will ensure a stunning backdrop and fantastic outside space to spill out onto which, in the evening is beautifully lit with thousands of fairy lights strung from the surrounding trees.

Private Dining

Not only can we offer event hire at The BarnYard we can also offer private dining where you and your guests can have exclusive use of any of our areas with chefs to prepare a sumptuous menu and waitresses on hand to serve you. Please contact us with your requirements and we will prepare a bespoke costing for you.

Whatever the occasion let the BarnYard's experienced team help to ensure organising your celebration is stress free and enjoyable. Attention to detail from our dedicated team will guarantee you can relax and celebrate in style while our chefs can prepare for you exquisite food to tempt all tastebuds.

Contact us today or see our website for up to date prices / menus.



Booking Procedure

How to make a booking and what is required -

Hopefully once you have seen our facilities, talked to our Wedding Co-ordinator and are happy that The BarnYard is your choice of wedding venue, you need to check that your chosen date is available.

If a date is pencilled in our diary as a provisional booking, it will be held for 14 days without needing a deposit. After 14 days without confirmation from yourselves the date will be automatically released and re-offered.

When you are ready to confirm your provisional booking our Wedding Co-ordinator will arrange for a confirmation letter to be sent to you which confirms the wedding booking details and gives a suggested wedding day itinerary. A booking form will also be sent which you will need to fill in and return to us confirming the date you wish to have your wedding reception, along with the time you prefer to have your ceremony (if you are planning on having your ceremony as well as your reception at The BarnYard) together with contact details for both the bride and groom. For those couples hiring our marquee and exclusive wedding area, you will also be sent a deposit invoice for £1000 along with a copy of our main terms and conditions which we will need you to sign and send back to us which will confirm that you accept the terms of booking. For those hiring our converted barn restaurant for a later wedding ceremony and party reception you will be sent an initial deposit invoice equal to the cost of the hire charge.

Once your deposit payment, signed terms and conditions and wedding ceremony booking form have been received from yourselves we will book the wedding ceremony with the Kent Registrars on your behalf. The Registrars will then contact you directly once they receive the booking paperwork from us.

A further non-refundable stage payment of £2,500 will be due six

calendar months from the date of your wedding (in relation to marquee bookings only) and an invoice from The BarnYard will be sent to you on the run up to this time which will be due for payment immediately upon receipt.

We will contact you to book in a date for the final wedding meeting when we will ask for final numbers and menu choices and go through the finer aspects of your wedding day. After this meeting we will calculate the final balance due (taking into account all deposits / instalments paid) and send you the invoice where payment of this final balance will be required two calendar months in advance of the wedding. After this point no refunds can be given for any reduction in guest numbers.

Any extra charges i.e. additional catering etc. must be settled on the day of your wedding.

Other details you should be aware of:

Please be aware that our restaurant is open to the public until 4pm every day however the marquee wedding area is separate and well away from our restaurant. Any marquee wedding booking where the whole site isn't exclusively booked in the evening should note that they may have to share the courtyard disabled toilets and large patio area with guests from weddings/functions in our restaurant. The BarnYard reserve the right to make improvements to the venue and facilities as deemed appropriate when necessary due to the needs of the business.

Beverages of any kind are not permitted to be brought into the venue.

All correspondence should be sent to:

Wedding Office, The BarnYard,
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FAQ's

We are on a fixed budget but love The BarnYard. Is there anyway we can still get married at the venue?

The first thing to do if you have a fixed budget or below our minimum guest numbers is to tell us what it is so we can tell you exactly what we can offer to help you keep to your budget. We realise that it's your wedding day so will try and do things your way as much as possible.

Do I have to pay an additional charge to the KCC for them to perform our wedding ceremony at The BarnYard? Yes. The KCC has set fees to conduct the ceremony for you and will charge you directly for this. This fee is over and above the site hire that The BarnYard charges. Remember that we will book your wedding ceremony with the KCC on your behalf. To find out the current fee structure please visit www.aketishceremony.com/weddings/fees-and-conditions/

Will I have one contact at The BarnYard or will I have to deal with a number of different people on the run up to my wedding day? You will deal with our Wedding Co-ordinator in the run up to your big day who is available to answer any questions you may have. They or one of our wedding team will also be on hand during your wedding day to oversee arrangements and act as informal toastmaster.

When do I let you know exactly what our requirements are for the day i.e. menu choice, final numbers etc?

This will happen at the final wedding meeting which takes place in plenty of time before the two month deadline for paying of final balance. Don't worry we will contact you to arrange this.

What food is served for the children as I assume they will have something different from the adult menu?

Children can either have a slightly smaller portion of the adult choice or, if preferred, a child friendly option can be offered i.e. garlic bread for starters, chicken goujons, potato wedges and baked beans for main and ice cream for dessert.

Do you cater for special dietary requirements?

We are more than happy to cater for any dietary needs, however we must be told at the final wedding meeting what these are.

Where is the food prepared? All our food is prepared and cooked on site using fresh local produce as much as possible and ordered from local suppliers so we are able to trace back to the origin of all our food.

Does the bar accept credit/debit cards?

Yes. Although we prefer you to pay using cash a card reader is available to process credit/debit card payments.

Can we put money behind the bar for our guests?

Yes. Our Bar Manager is used to running all kinds of different bar 'tabs' and this is absolutely fine.

We'd like to provide our own entertainment for the evening. Is this allowed? Yes. However we recommend you use our nominated DJ. All entertainers must be insured (public liability up to £5M) and they must have all their equipment PAT tested. Although no noise restrictor at the venue we do ask kindly that the music be turned down after 11pm to a reasonable level due to the nearby village.

What time do we have to finish the party?

Carriages are requested at midnight as the bar and evening entertainment will stop at 11.30pm (unless an extension has been agreed with us beforehand)

Do you have on-site accommodation or a room for the bridal party to get ready in?

Unfortunately not. However, there is good accommodation situated very close to the venue, including a beautiful 5* B&B in our local village (see website for full details).

Are our guests able to leave their cars in the car park overnight? Yes this is acceptable but is done at their own risk. Please can you make your guests aware that the car park however will be closed and locked when your guests leave at the end of the night and won't be re-opened until around 8.45am the following morning.

Is Confetti allowed to be thrown after our wedding ceremony? Yes, this is acceptable as long as the confetti is biodegradable and thrown in the designated outside areas (see terms and conditions). Under no circumstances will confetti cannons be allowed to be fired inside or anywhere outside the venue.

How many people can fit around your round tables? Our round tables are 6' in diameter and can seat 10 guests comfortably with 12 guests being the maximum.

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When can I come in to decorate the venue for my wedding day?

If there isn't a wedding the day before yours then you can come in during that afternoon to decorate. We will have put the tables in place with the tablecloths on and will have started to lay up thus making it easy for you to put your decorations out. If there is a wedding the day before yours then set-up and decoration will have to be done from 10am that morning.

When do we collect our decorations?

You shall not, unless otherwise agreed, be permitted to leave any items at the BarnYard overnight following your wedding. If any items of a personal nature, any decoration items, wedding cake, wedding cards and presents are left on site overnight we shall not take any liability for their safe keeping. This would be done at your own risk.

Are Tealights allowed to be lit in the function rooms?

Yes, as long as they are in a suitable container. Candles /candelabra are not permitted.

On our wedding day will we have to come in to the BarnYard via the Shop?

No, your wedding guests will park their cars in the wedding car park which has signs directing them to the wedding area via a beautiful wrought iron side gate. Special 'arty' blackboards are also put out welcoming your guests to the venue and pointing them in the right direction. The groom and bridal party along with any disabled/elderly guests can have vehicular access up to this side gate. There is wheelchair access also to all areas.

Do we have to include ourselves in the final numbers for payment?

Yes - you will both need to be counted in with your final numbers.

What are the dimensions of the marquee?

30m x 12.2m for main marquee area (wedding breakfast to stage)

I would like to order bunting - how much would I need?

If you wanted to hang bunting from the marquee ceiling then we recommend covering the ceiling metal bars of which there are 3 which are 40ft in length each.



Our Recommended Suppliers:

Photographers:

We would like to thank the following photographers for allowing us to use their fantastic BarnYard wedding photos in our beautiful wedding brochure.

It was a pleasure working with you and we would highly recommend our wedding couples contact you to discuss the photography for their big day.

Nicola Tulip - www.nphotography.co.uk - (photo credit for our front cover image)

Steve Barber - www.stevebarberphotography.com

Fiona Kelly - fionaweddingphotography.co.uk

Emma-Louise Bonnick - www.els-design.com

Lisa Emanuel - www.lisaemanuelphotography.com

David & Jemma Rannard - www.clickcreate.biz

Louisa Dettmer - www.louisadettmerweddingphotography.co.uk

Joanne Collins - www.joannecollinsphotography.co.uk

Jo Redding - www.lanehomestudios.com

Frances Sales - www.francesales.co.uk

Fiona Stone - www.fionastonephotography.co.uk

Steve Wood - www.stevewoodphotographer.com/

Marcus Curry - www.marcuscurry.co.uk/

Holly Lansdell photography - h.lansdell@gmx.com

Sabrina Stockwell - Sabrina Stockwell Photography (Facebook)

Nicola Bennett - Last Minute Photography (Facebook)

In-house DJ:

Apollo Funk Entertainment - www.apollofunk.com

Details on all our recommended suppliers along with information on accommodation in our local area can be found on our website or can be sent upon request.

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