# YOUR WEDDING







# HISTORICAL SETTING

Dating back to the 17th century, this Grade I listed castle is steeped in history.

In 1664 the first distinguished owner of Hensol Castle was Judge David Jenkins, a famous lawyer and supporter of Charles I during the Civil War.

The estate then passed into the hands of the Talbot family with Solicitor General Charles Talbot, who became the Earl of Hensol.

In 1790 the castle passed to Samuel Richardson who is credited with introducing the threshing machine to world agriculture, before being sold to the Crawshays of Cyfarthfa. It was home to Lady and Benjamin Hall, who in 1855 became Chief Commissioner for Works.

The estate was then purchased by the family-owned retail company, Leekes in 2003. Restored to its historical splendour, the castle is ready to make history again.







# YOUR FAIRYTALE CASTLE

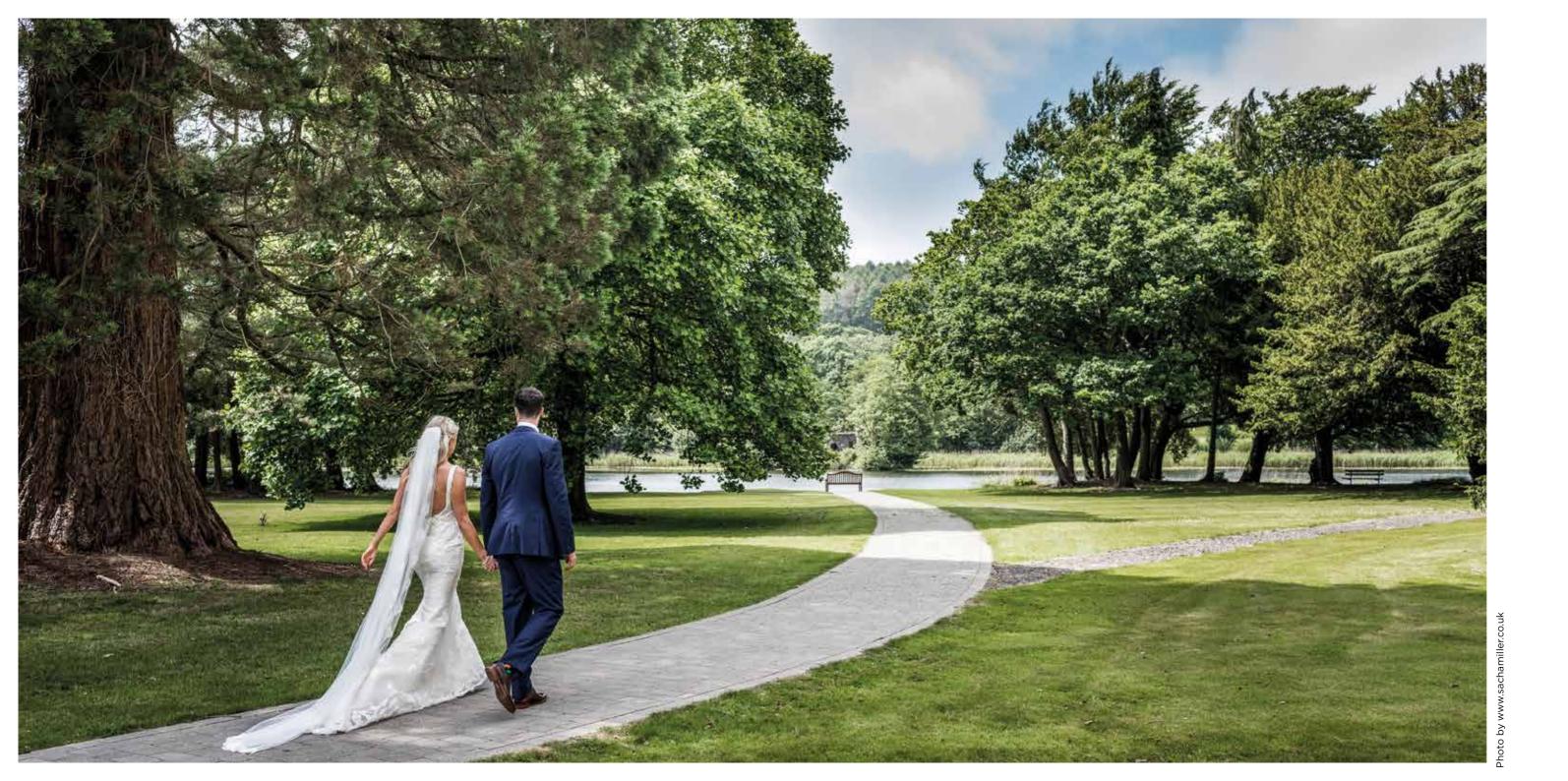
Situated within a breathtaking estate, accompanied by a fifteen acre serpentine lake, Hensol Castle is the perfect setting for any couple who ever dreamt of a fairytale wedding.

This spectacular setting, with its majestic turrets and sweeping staircases, surrounded by Welsh countryside, provides the perfect backdrop for your wedding photographs.

Enjoy your perfect wedding breakfast within the opulence of the castle but not without a game of croquet on the lawn beforehand, if the weather allows.







# YOUR SPECIAL DAY

Every last detail will be taken care of as we are passionate about making your dream wedding a reality.

Our dedicated wedding co-ordinator, along with our professional team, will grant your every wish on your special day from the moment you step onto the red carpet.

It's your day and we want you to remember it forever!





## EXCLUSIVELY YOURS

You truly will feel like King and Queen of the castle on your special day as Hensol Castle is exclusively yours.

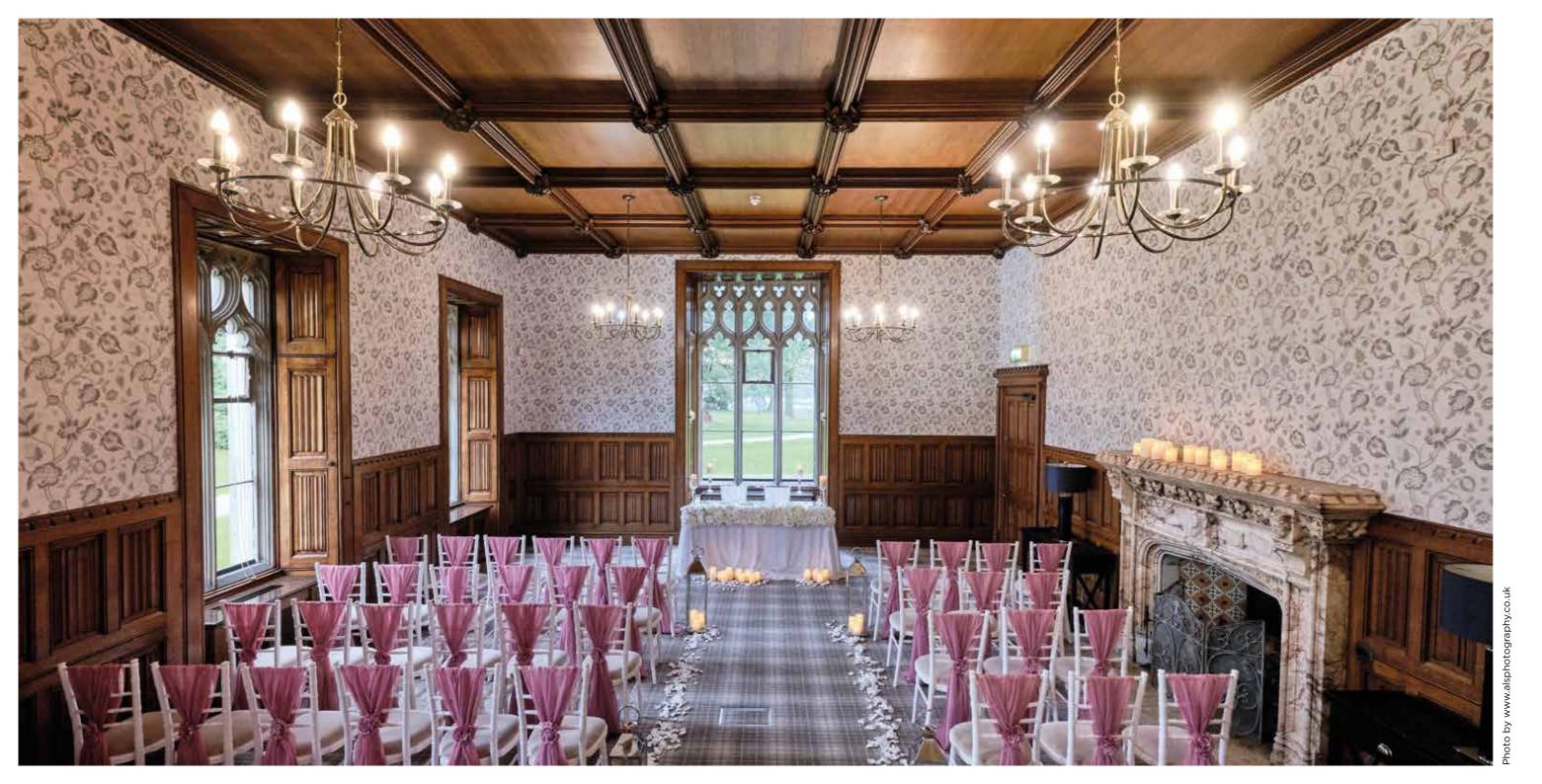
Your wedding package includes:

- FREE bedroom for the happy couple at the Vale Resort\*
- FREE one month membership for the happy couple at our Health and Racquets Club\*
- FREE round of golf for the groom and three friends
- 20% discount for the bride at the Vale Spa, one month prior to your wedding
- Red carpet upon arrival
- Personalised menu
- Silver cake stand and knife
- Preferential accommodation rates for guests at the Vale Resort





<sup>\*</sup> Terms and conditions apply.



## YOUR CEREMONY

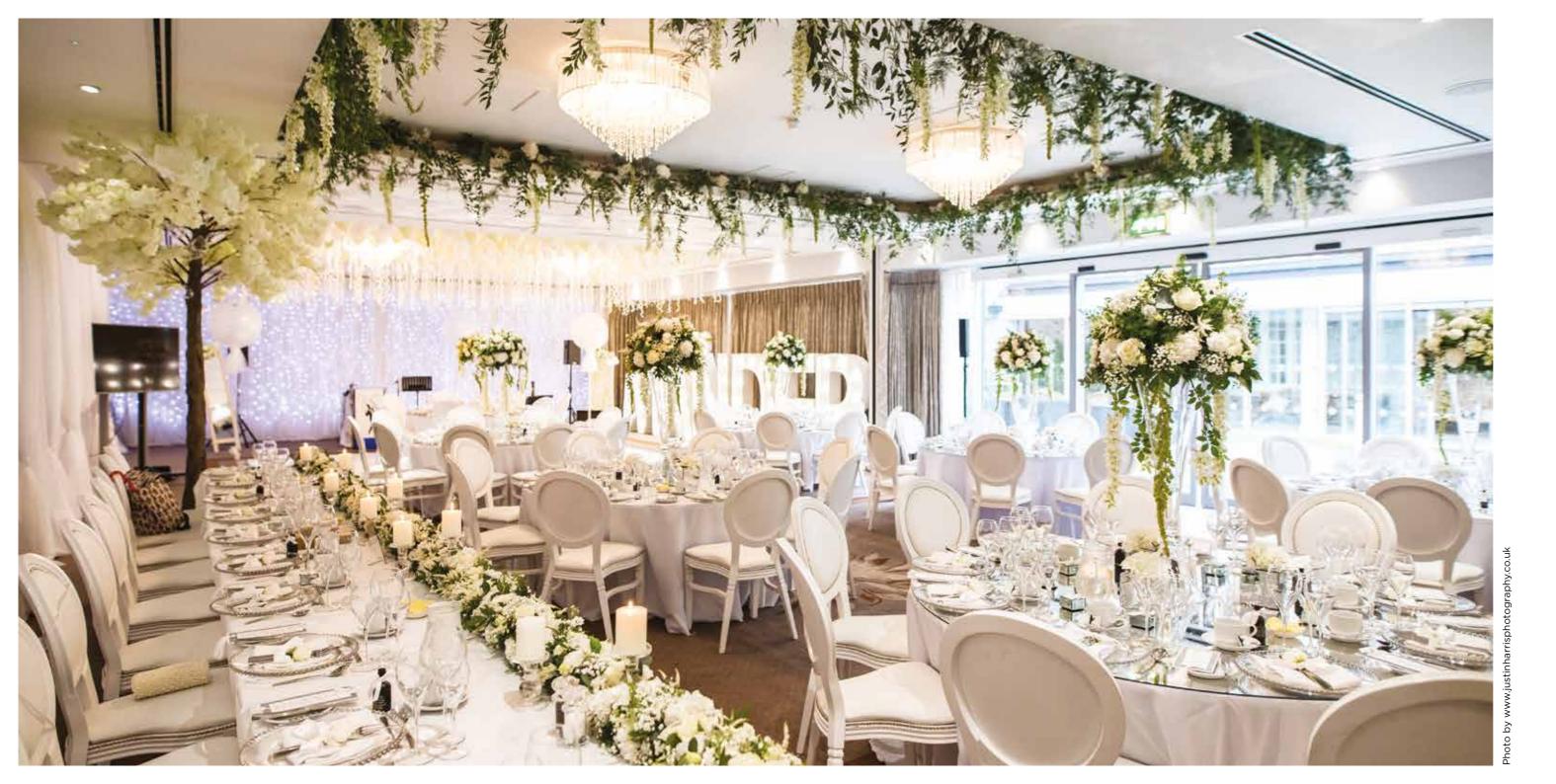
Exchanging your vows is a precious moment so be sure to choose a special venue to host such an occasion.

The castle has four enchanting suites that exude character and historical splendour; with arched windows and oak panelling each suite evokes romance that has lasted the test of time.

Exchange your vows in the resplendent Oak Room which offers stunning views of the serpentine lake. Then mingle with your honoured guests in either of the Reception Hall, Morning Room or Drawing room, before making your way to the majesty of the Courtyard Hall for your wedding breakfast.

Choose from our wide selection of luxury menus offering only the finest ingredients, as well as a variety of drinks packages to compliment your menu choices.





# YOUR RECEPTION

Once you've tied the knot, enjoy the remainder of your special day in a romantic setting that is perfect for celebrating.

Our Courtyard Hall offers a lavish setting enclosed within the Castle walls and overlooking the landscaped inner courtyard.

Complete with its own dance floor and bar, the venue can accommodate wedding parties up to 160 and offers a stunning setting for a party like no other - which is exclusively yours for your special day.







## YOUR HEN OR STAG PARTY

With a range of thoughtfully designed packages to suit all tastes, gather your friends for the ultimate send off into married life.

For a stress-free hen party try our luxury spa retreat with 19 treatment rooms and 5 relaxation zones.

Or if it's an adrenaline-fuelled farewell you fancy, why not venture white water rafting, surfing, off-road driving, clay shooting, archery or even a tussle in the trees at GoApe. If that all sounds a little too adventurous there's always a round of golf or two!

And if you're looking to party into the night, the clubs, bars and lights of Cardiff are only 20 minutes away!

Whatever venue you choose, the Vale Resort and Hensol Castle will make it an event to remember!



# MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR STAY

After a romantic day, exquisite food and drinks aplenty, the bride and groom are invited to end their special day with a luxurious stay at the Vale Resort, adjacent to Hensol Castle.

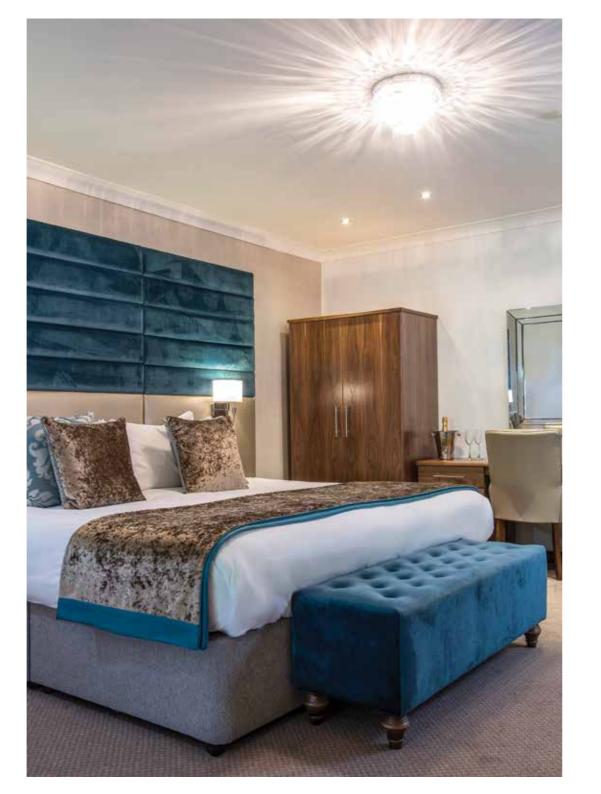
The Vale Resort has 143 bedrooms, so you and your guests can party into the night. As the celebrations draw to a close, retire to a room of first class comfort at preferential accommodation rates.

The Vale Resort is home to a state of the art Health and Racquets Club so you can get a good workout, or you and your guests can enjoy a spot of competition on one of our championship golf courses.

For those preferring activities that are a little less strenuous, relax, unwind and recover at Wales' largest spa, with treatments that'll leave you feeling on top of the world.







### FACILITIES AT THE VALE RESORT INCLUDE:

### ACCOMMODATION

- 143 en-suite bedrooms
- Wi-Fi
- In-room safe
- Same day laundry service
- Iron & ironing board
- Tea & coffee making facilities
- 24 hour room service

#### DINING

- Vale Grill AA Rosette dining
- Golf Club Bar good wholesome food
- Vale Bar salads, snacks and healthy eating
- Salamanza Champagne Bar

### GOLF

- Two 18-hole championship standard courses
- 16 bay floodlit driving range
- Coaching academy
- Chipping & bunker practice areas
- Putting greens

### **HEALTH & RACQUETS CLUB**

- 20 metre swimming pool
- Sauna, steam & whirlpool bath
- Gymnasium with cardio-theatre
- Three squash courts
- Three floodlit tennis courts
- Fitness studios with regular classes
- Crèche & day nursery

### SPA

- 19 treatment rooms
- Holistic & therapeutic treatments
- Six relaxation zones
- Double therapy suites
- Chai Café
- Boutique shopping