



# STOCKTON HOUSE

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Exclusive Wedding Brochure - 2022

# Stockton House

A Wedding Venue Like No Other

Nestled in 8,500 acres of Shropshire countryside on the Apley Estate, Stockton House is a wedding venue like no other.

Built in 1702 as a Rectory to the church of St Chad's just one hundred yards down the lane, Stockton House has been a family home for over three hundred years. Steeped in history with a stylish Georgian design, Stockton House is being brought back to life with seven luxurious en-suite double bedrooms, a one hundred seater secret walled-garden dining room all expertly designed to take in the breathtaking views and scenery of Shropshire.

Undergoing a complete transformation in 2021, our diary opens for weddings from April 2022.



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# Your Wedding Story

Stockton House is more than a venue for your special day. Your story starts with us the moment you arrive on the estate and as you drive along the tree-lined lane, passing the 15th century church of the parish, to the gates that welcome you for your first visit to Stockton.

Arrange an exclusive viewing with us and we will share with you all our plans & designs we have for opening Stockton House for the first time in 2022. We'll tour the grounds and walk through the rooms of the main house and gardens as you tell us how you imagine your dream wedding.

Together we can explore how you'd like your wedding story to unfold, beginning with your arrival and stay the day before your wedding, the day itself and then the day after as you start your special journey of married life together. We can take time to talk through food and drink for your stay at Stockton. That can include special night before treats such as a wine and cheese tasting evening in our vaulted cellar, or perhaps private dining in the main house with our chefs preparing your favourite meal, or even a relaxed and informal BBQ in the garden.

We'll work through timings of your day and share guidance and advice and some of the other suppliers you may want to work with for flowers, dresses and photography. We make everything simple, easy to do and we're with you every step of the way.



Create Your Own Wedding Story at Stockton House

# Your Wedding Story

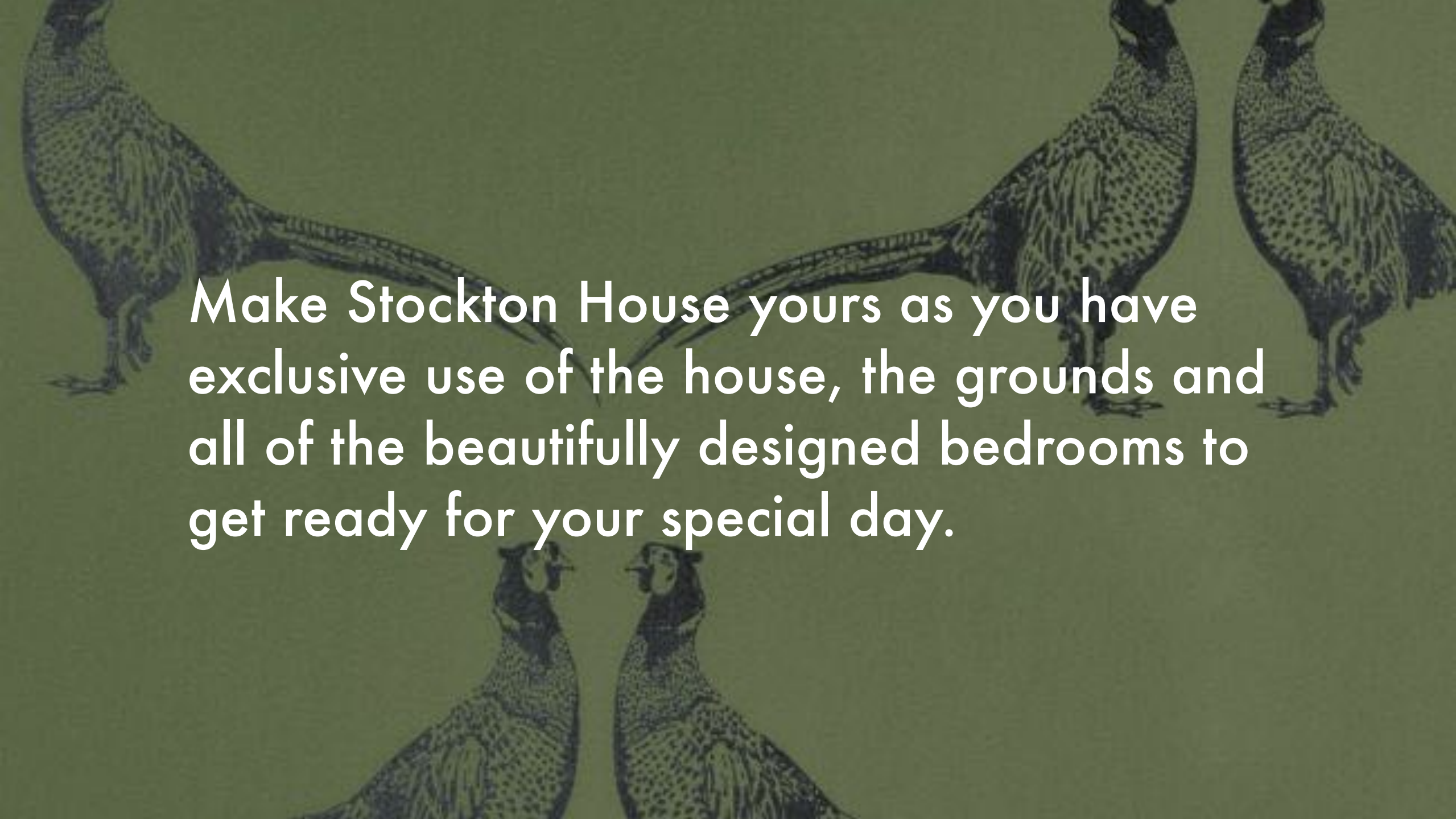
Once we've planned out your stay and wedding day at Stockton we'll then arrange a deposit and your date will be confirmed in the diary. As we're still doing a lot of work to get everything ready for our first year, we're offering reduced rates and a fully refundable deposit. We want you to have peace of mind with all of your wedding plans at Stockton and so this is just a small way to make your planning that bit easier.

Of course you don't just leave us and see us again on your wedding day - there's so much to organise! You can come back and visit again, keep in touch and we'll work together on the various things you'll need in place for your big day.

One of the events we get really excited about is your private menu tasting. Our chefs will prepare your menu and you'll have chance to try everything that you and your guests will enjoy for your wedding breakfast. This is an experience in itself that we love hosting - it's what we do best!

With everything decided you just need to try not to burst with excitement and look forward to your arrival day at Stockton where we'll welcome you, help settle everyone in and enjoy what your wedding story will be that you will remember forever.





Make Stockton House yours as you have exclusive use of the house, the grounds and all of the beautifully designed bedrooms to get ready for your special day.

# Imagine Your Wedding

The venue is approached by a tree-lined country lane that passes the 15th century church of St Chad's and has expansive views of the Shropshire countryside with fields either side of the lane and a view of the famous Wrekin to the front of the House. This will then bring you to the private entrance gates and your first view of Stockton House with its large gravel drive.



As you enter the house through the large front door, guests will be received in the reception hall. This will be a space ideal for canapés and drinks receptions with classic large oil canvas paintings, antique furniture and our bar room overlooking the garden. There's a homely, but opulent feel to Stockton House, so your guests feel welcome with little touches of Stockton's history - this really does feel like a luxurious weekend escape.

The dining space for your wedding breakfast is just behind what appears to be a large walled garden. Open the double doors and you enter a beautifully designed dining space that is your blank canvas. With an elegant curved ceiling and orangery style windows overlooking the rear gardens. This large open room can also be used for music and dancing as you and your guests party into the night.



# Imagine Your Wedding



Outside, Stockton House has stunning open views of the countryside with sun-rise and sun-sets not to be missed. Not to mention the incredible night sky on clear nights with constellations and millions of stars to be seen. To the front of Stockton you can see the county famous Wrekin Hill on the horizon and there are lots of garden spaces, woodlands and vistas to capture memorable photographs of your day.

On the south wing of the house we have the bridal suite, where you can stay the night before your wedding and with large open space for you and your bridesmaids to get ready in the morning. On the north wing of the house we have the Honeymoon suite, with a large four-poster bed, roll-top bath and shower room, this honeymoon suite has all of the romance and comfort you could wish for on your first evening of married life.



As one of the evening treats the night before your wedding, you can enjoy a tasting experience like no other in our stunning vaulted cellar. With our expert guidance taste your way through some of our delightful hand-picked wines, champagnes, English sparkling wines, canapés and cheeses. Make the most of Stockton House and enjoy creating magical memories

# Your Wedding Ceremony

Stockton House is a fully licensed venue and has several areas ideal for wedding ceremonies, so you have a choice of where to say 'I do'. The garden provides a beautiful outdoor setting, or look over the grounds and hold the ceremony on the terrace. For smaller, intimate weddings, the hall and dining room are licensed too. There's also the option to get married in our Secret Garden Room, so you can choose which location you prefer and suits your celebrations.

In order to confirm your wedding time and date you will need to contact the local registrar - we would recommend getting in touch as early as possible:

[registrars@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:registrars@shropshire.gov.uk)  
0345 678 9016

Bridgnorth Registration Service Point  
Bridgnorth Library  
Listley Street  
Bridgnorth  
WV16 4AW







# Your Wedding Breakfast

Stockton House is part of the multi-award winning Caviar & Chips Hospitality Group and so food and drink plays a big part in the experience of Stockton. Led by our award-winning Executive Head Chef Jonathan Carter-Morris, we locally source produce that is amongst the very best Shropshire has to offer from the fields and farms on the Apley Estate and the ingredients our chefs use for your wedding menus are as fresh as they come.

Everything we do starts with a blank piece of paper as we create your bespoke wedding at Stockton House. Working with our chefs, you'll have the chance to create your very own wedding menu, just the way you like it.

Just to show some of the incredible food that you can enjoy at Stockton, Jonathan has crafted a set of unique wedding dishes for you to choose from, some of which he loves so much they even featured on his own wedding menu!

Whether you have a four course meal, a sharing food feast, a vegetarian or vegan banquet or a tasting menu with paired wines, you can rest assured that whatever you choose for your first meal as a married couple you'll be tasting a menu that you and your guests will never forget.



# Your Wedding Breakfast

We have an extensive list of dishes created especially for our 2022 launch, a flavour of which we've shared with you here.

## **Starter Course**

Apley Estate Smoked Pheasant & Black Pudding Salad, Wild Mushrooms  
Beetroot & Shropshire Gin Cured Salmon, Citrus, Textures Of Cucumber  
Beef Tartare, Pickled Shallot, Quail Egg Yolk, Toast  
Artichoke Veloute, Roast Chestnuts, Toasted Seeds

## **Main Course**

Rare Roast Fillet Of Apley Estate Beef, Ox Cheek & Wild Mushroom Ragout,  
Dauphinoise Potato, Honey Glazed Roots, Thyme Jus  
Leek & Artichoke Tart, Herb Dressing & Bitter Leaves, Kale Crisps  
Rare Loin Of Venison, Braised Venison Haunch Pithivier, Potato Terrine, Parsnip  
Puree, Roasted Parsnips, Blackberry Jus  
Pan Fried Salmon, Herb-Crushed New Potatoes, Mustard Creamed Leeks &  
Tempura Cockles

## **Dessert Course**

Lemon Tart, Fresh Raspberries, Rose Petal Tuille  
Dark Chocolate Tart, Blood Orange Jelly, Vanilla Cream, Orange Crisps  
Apple Tart Tatin, Cinnamon Ice Cream, Apple Crisp  
A Feast Of Chocolate; Dark Chocolate Tart With Orange Crisp, Milk Chocolate  
Mousse With Chocolate Tuille And White Chocolate Cheesecake With Shaved  
Chocolate





Working with our award-winning chefs you can create your own bespoke wedding menu just the way you want it.





# Your Wedding Breakfast

Sharing your first meal as husband and wife is an amazing time, so why not embrace the sharing concept with some of our sharing menu platters

## **Starter Course**

British Garden Board - Charred Asparagus, Roast Cauliflower, Pickled Carrots, Wild Mushroom Pate, Marinated Courgette, Root Vegetable Sausage Roll, Red Cabbage Slaw, Rosemary Straws, Beetroot Dip, Cornichons & Pickled Walnuts. Served With Artisan Bread & Rosemary Oil

## **Main Course**

Whole Beef Wellington, Roast Shallots, Yorkshire Puddings, Duck Fat Potatoes  
Lemon & Maple Roast Chicken, Bread Sauce, Chestnut Stuffing, Pigs In Blankets & Thyme Jus  
Roast Beetroot & Squash Wellington, Confit Garlic Sauce & Polenta Chips

Served With Sharing Bowls Of: Herb Roasted New Potatoes, Sweet Potato, Chilli & Herb Quinoa With Pomegranate & Toasted Pine Nuts, Maple Roasted Tender-Stem Broccoli, Parsnips & Chantenay Carrots

## **Dessert Course**

Strawberry, Raspberry & Blackberry Pavlova, Italian Meringue & Vanilla Cream  
Amaretto & Cherry Trifle  
Summer Pudding, Fresh Strawberries & Clotted Cream



"Leading up to our wedding day nothing was too much, too odd or too last minute!

They made us feel like anything was possible - and they delivered!

The most compliments I had about our wedding day was how wonderful you were and how incredible the food was!"

- Lucy & Simon  
Summer 2019, Caviar & Chips



# Canapés

Let the food do the talking as your guests mingle, break the ice and get to know each other moments after you've exchanged your vows! If the weather is fine then your guests can enjoy the gardens and terrace as our team pour the drinks and serve your canapés. We also have some beautiful spaces indoors where your guests can enjoy the unique and historic touches that Stockton has to offer.



Here are just a few examples to whet your appetite :

Ham Hock Terrine, Mustard Mayonnaise, Puffed Potato

Beef Tartare, Toasted Ciabatta, Béarnaise

Smoked Salmon Blini, Creme Fraiche, Dill

Scallop Ceviche, Parma Ham, Salsa Verde

Courgette Fritter, Tomato Salsa, Coriander

Spiced Monkfish Skewers, Chive Creme Fraiche

Crab Doughnuts, Red Pepper Jam

Wild Mushroom Arancini, Truffle Oil, Parmesan

We have crafted a variety of canapé selections which can be found in our food brochure.



# Evening Feast

You could finish your wedding breakfast with our own gelato cart, or a local 'cheese cake' or simply tea, coffee and petit fours or home made shortbread.

As the party gets started we can serve some delicious evening food from the garden or from the kitchen.

Whether you want our hand-selected BBQ cooked on the terrace, a carved hog roast, or one of our street-food style paella stations we have selected some amazing evening food options for you choose from, some of which we're included for you here, our full list is available in our food brochure.

## **Hog Roast**

Slow-Cooked Whole Hog, Served With Floured Baps, Stuffing, Apple Sauce & Crackling, Potato Wedges And Dressed Leaves

## **Mac-In-A-Box**

Mac & Cheese Served With A Selection Of Toppings;  
Crispy Pork Belly & Bbq Sauce Chorizo, Parmesan Crumb Mushrooms,  
Hazelnut & Sage Crumb Jalapeño, Beef Chilli & Crispy Onions

## **Pizza**

A Selection Of Wood-Fired Pizzas Served From Our Own Pizza Trailer





# Champagnes, Cocktails & Wines

As we're nestled in the beautiful English countryside we thought it only right to bring you a classic British drinks selection - starting with Pimms & Lemonade in the afternoon, moving onto a selection of award-winning English sparkling wines and choice of classic cocktails in the bar, we'll make sure your guests are always well looked after.



Our bar room will be perfectly set and prepared for your big day, with a full bar list, distinctive temperance range as well as a cocktail list composed of classics such as an Old Fashioned, Dry Martini, Tom Collins, Manhattan & Cosmopolitan as well as House Cocktails created by our host team.



We've drawn together our wine list from Old and New World as well as a hand-chosen selection of the best of British independent producers. With a vaulted wine cellar to house over one hundred different wines and champagnes we're certain that no matter what your taste, or what you want your guests to enjoy we'll have a bottle perfect for you.





Artist's illustration of the beautiful Honeymoon Suite at Stockton House with stylish interior design, four-poster bed, roll-top bath and views over the Shropshire countryside



# Stockton House - Prices

Here at Stockton we want to keep everything simple, transparent and easy to manage. All prices are inclusive of VAT and we don't believe in hidden charges for anything. Prices are our reduced launch rates for 2022.

## **Your Wedding Day at Stockton House - £6,000**

Stockton House and the grounds are exclusively yours with up to 100 guests from 8am on your wedding day until 4pm the day after.

- Seven luxurious bedrooms for your wedding night
- Breakfast the next morning for all your staying guests
- Full service bar
- Access to the house and Garden Room to dress and decorate from 9am - 6pm the day before
- Dedicated Wedding Co-Ordinator

## **Celebrate Longer - £1,200**

Stay a night longer, or arrive a day earlier with exclusive use of all rooms, grounds and breakfast for all staying guests

# Your Treats

We love making every wedding we host a unique, personal and special experience and so we have put together some indulgent treats that you might like to enjoy.

## **Champagne Tasting in Our Vaulted Cellar**

We've sourced some incredible wines, champagnes and English sparkling wines that you simply must try. Complimented by a canapé evening for all your guests if you're staying the night before treat your guests to an exclusive evening in our vaulted cellar.

## **Private Dining**

Enjoying Stockton for the day before, let our chef team put together a special dinner menu for your house guests, pair some wines for you from our cellar as you relax with family and friends and look forward to your big day.

## **'Day After' Picnic**

We love stretching out a 'wedding weekend' and so invite your guests back to Stockton the day after for a leisurely picnic in the garden. Relive your special day, share stories and enjoy making the most of having your own country house to host another day, which you won't want to end







"Rarely do I make the time to write a review but I feel compelled to let everyone know how amazing these guys are.

The service, the food and every bit of the detail was impeccable, my wife and I were made to feel so special I can't begin to explain what lengths the team went too to make sure everything was seamless, they made sure we ate when the canapés were served and made sure all of our guests felt the same way.

I can't believe how many of our guests went into detail complimenting the team and the food they served. Very reasonably priced with the very highest standards delivered.

I would use their services again in a heartbeat."

- Hollie & Ryan  
Summer 2019, Caviar & Chips

# Doing The Right Thing

Stockton House is part of the Caviar & Chips Hospitality Group family. Started in 2017 by co-founders, Jonathan Carter-Morris and Marc Hornby, Caviar & Chips has quickly grown a UK-wide reputation for excellence in bespoke hospitality.

Stockton House is a project that started back in 2018 when we set out to seek a special place that would manifest everything that Caviar & Chips did so well in hospitality, food and drink. We wanted our attention to detail to extend to the whole wedding day in a venue that is as unique as every wedding it would host, with a focus on making every single event, personal, individual and memorable for every guest.

Working with the Apley Estate and their farmers, we are sourcing local produce from our neighbours where we can literally carry ingredients to the kitchen to prepare and cook as fresh as the day they were harvested. We also work with Apley Estate on the heating and energy at Stockton House. We did away with the old oil tank and have replaced this with a far more sustainable and environmentally friendly wood chip burner. The wood chip sourced from the estate team that manage the coppicing and woodland and we replant and grow new trees to help reduce carbon, fossil fuels and support local employment all at the same time.

We're also keen to reduce as much plastic and non-recyclable material as we can. We don't sell single-use plastic bottles of water. We use recycled glass bottles and chill-filtered water for all weddings and events. We recycle our cardboard and compost waste food and materials as much as we can so that it goes back into the gardens and fields for new growth.





# What To Do Now

We are opening our diary from April 2022 and have chosen to have a reduced number of weddings for our first season, and so expect to fill these dates quickly.

We would love to show you around Stockton House and the grounds and share with you the plans and vision for when it's finished.

Come and spend some time with us, ask lots of questions and we can start crafting plans for your special day that will be one of a kind in a wedding venue like no other.

We're sure that when you've seen Stockton for the first time, you, like us, will love it and can see your special day here, done exactly your way.

Arrange your viewing today by email or by phone and we look forward to welcoming you to Stockton House.

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