



OLD DOWN  
WEDDINGS



# WELCOME

## THE BARN AT OLD DOWN ESTATE

The Barn is tucked away within Old Down Estate, home to 66 acres of beautiful parkland, it is the place to come with all the family. Ideally located in beautiful surroundings, The Barn is the perfect venue to hold an unforgettable wedding.

We are proud to announce we have been shortlisted as finalists in The 2023 Wedding Industry Awards for our Barn venue. These Regional and National client voted awards focus on recognising and rewarding Excellence in the Wedding Industry.

The Barn at Old Down Estate is a licensed venue to hold your civil ceremony indoors and out.

The Barn is full of charm as converted stables, tastefully renovated to showcase many original features. The Barn oozes character offering a wonderful atmosphere with the addition of an exclusive garden. Tailor the day to you with our outdoor ceremony options.

### Features Include:

- Outdoor Ceremony Option
- Exposed Beams
- Flagstone Floors
- Stone Walls
- Sky Lights
- Wood Burners
- Red Brick Bar with Flagstone serving top
- Landscaped gardens with seating and water feature

VISIT AND YOU'LL BE IN LOVE FOREVER...





# CEREMONY WEDDING OPTIONS

## CEREMONY OPTIONS AT THE BARN

The Barn offers a wonderfully intimate space for you to share your special day with up to 70 guests. The Barn showcases the exposed wooden beams, flag stone floors and wood burner which makes for a wonderful backdrop to capture the romance of the day.

### THE CEREMONY

We are licensed for civil ceremonies, civil partnerships and welcome blessings, the renewal of vows and humanistic ceremonies. Alternatively, you may wish to marry in a local church and join us for your wedding reception.

### THE GARDENS

Beyond the Barn doors, hides a beautifully kept garden featuring cut flower beds, water features, a pergola of seasonal flowers and our kitchen garden where we source a lot of the fruit and vegetables served in the kitchens. It is the picture-perfect environment to hold an outdoor ceremony.

You have the option to opt into the exclusive use of the Victoria walled garden, perfect for the most intimate of occasions with only those you wish to share it with.

### OUTDOOR CEREMONY

Included in your Barn hire, the manicured lawn features a classic white pergola licensed for you to get married at one with nature in front of all those you know and love.

There is no guarantee with the Great British weather. However, should the idea of getting married outside amongst the wildlife with the peacocks strolling through the grounds or chatter of the parrots as guests arrive be a real draw for you – we can offer the best of both worlds should the weather be inclement.





# BESPOKE WEDDINGS

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## WEDDINGS TAILORED TO YOUR PREFERENCES

### THE FOLLY

The Folly, our lean-to structure adjoining the Barn, features festoon lighting, climbing plants trailing along the beams and breath-taking view of the kitchen garden and the shelter from the elements should you require, allowing you to have your dream outdoor ceremony.

There is ample space inside or out for live music, from a harpist to a string quartet the various licensed spaces lend itself perfectly.

Your wedding will feature a tasteful rendition of rustic meets elegance. The Barn offers exquisite cross back solid beech wood chairs, the finest glasses, napkins, and tableware. Your linen and crockery are all accounted for in the venue hire price.

The chairs and long solid oak tables have been carefully chosen to compliment the rustic, beautiful setting of the barn, accommodating all colour schemes.

#### Also Included:

- A wooden easel for you to display your table plan- we recommend A2 size
- A round cake stand and knife in silver
- A microphone for speeches
- Use of the Bose sound system for background music





# WINE & DINE IN STYLE

## THE VERY FINEST CATERING

Our dedicated chefs deliver the very best in fine dining, specialising in both modern and traditional cuisine.

Wherever possible all ingredients used in our kitchens are locally sourced, either grown or organically raised on The Estate.

A wide range of fine wines and spirits are available to compliment your wedding breakfast or perhaps you would prefer an ale on tap or soft drink.

The Barn has a diverse offering of catering options from the more relaxed and informal buffet or hog roast option to a seated 2 or 3 course wedding breakfast. Soak up the atmosphere during your wedding reception with a glass of Pimm's and some canapés to take the edge of your hunger while you relax after your ceremony.

Guests take their seats in the Barn to welcome you as the wedding couple, ready to quench your appetite with a hearty Great British Roast dinner with all the trimmings. Or perhaps opt for the wow factor and choose the luxury afternoon tea with a glass of Prosecco and endure the elegance of the afternoon tea on the menu with a selection of savoury and sweet options to choose from.

**Menu Tasting** - To enable you to "try before you buy" we organise menu tastings for our seasonal menu, so be sure to book this with your coordinator. Charges apply.

**Children** - We have devised a scrumptious menu just for the children attending your special day and have highchairs for the little ones.

**Evening Menu** - The Barn evening reception Menu offers a range of specially selected treats including a hog roast, BBQ, finger buffet, fish and chip cones or cheese board.

### SAMPLE DINNER MENU

We can cater to and offer alternative options for dietary requirements so not for any guest to miss out!

Celeriac Soup, Mini Celeriac Fondants,  
Walnut candy crumb (served with homemade bread)  
(GF) (V) (VG) (DF)

Confit Pork Rilette, Apple Gel & Toast,  
Tomato Chilli Jam (Turnip Crisps) (DF)

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Beef Fillet, Pomme Annan & Watercress,  
Crispy Shallots, Watercress Oil Jus (V) (VG) (DF) (GF)

Wild Mushroom Risotto, Wild Garlic Pesto,  
Sauteed Mushrooms, Truffle Oils  
(vegan parmesan & micro watercress garnish) (V) (VG)

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Pistachio & Dark Chocolate Delice,  
Chocolate and Cherry Macaron, Morello Sorbet  
(VEO, GFO)





# ACCOMMODATION AT OLD DOWN ESTATE

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## STAY A WHILE...

Stay in one of our lavish bedrooms and wake up to our delicious chef-cooked full-English breakfast whilst swapping stories of the big day with your closest friends and family.

### FOXHOLES BARN

Foxholes Barn is the ideal place to stay the night before your wedding. This recently renovated property sleeps up to 11 guests, located on the outskirts of the Estate surrounded by the beautiful countryside.

#### FOXHOLES BARN INCLUDES:

- 2 Family Rooms, 2 Double Rooms & A Single Bedroom
- Open-Plan Kitchen, Dining Room & Lounge
- Perfect for a family get-together the night before

The property is light and bright with breathtaking views and private off-road parking.

### BELL TENTS

Seasonally, we have 10 generous bell tents available for hire set in the beautiful grounds of Old Down Estate for the perfect glamping accommodation. The bell tents feature solid oak beds, stove, BBQ, shower, and toilet amenities. Available in a 2-person bell tent to a 6-person bell tent. Return to your bell tent after a day of laughter, dancing, and good times only a short walk from the Barn and cosy up in front of the stove under the stars.

### LOCAL ACCOMMODATION

Alternative local accommodation only 4 miles away, the Double Tree Hilton Bristol North offers a variety of rooms and facilities for you and your guests. Ask your wedding coordinator for more information including preferential rates.





# FINISHING TOUCHES FOR YOUR WEDDING DAY

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## ADDING THE FINISHING TOUCHES

Our partner companies always attend our wedding fayres which are held at The Barn twice a year. Why not come see The Barn setup for a wedding and introduce yourself to find out a little more about what they offer?

### RECOMMENDED SUPPLIERS

We can also help source suppliers for all of your needs and, of course, we are happy to work with your chosen suppliers too, including:

- Photographer | Videographer
- Wedding Attire | Hair & Make-up | Wedding Stylist
- Childcare
- Honeymoon
- Wedding Rings | Wedding Stationery
- Wedding Cake | Florist
- Transportation to and from Wedding and Reception (church wedding only)
- Entertainment

### WEDDING COORDINATORS

We have an experienced team of wedding coordinators here to help during the planning and running of your special day.

No question is too silly, we have heard it all before! Come along and meet the team for a viewing of the Barn and find out some more information.

You will be allocated a dedicated wedding coordinator 3 months before your wedding day – this is when the planning really takes shape. We will provide you with guidance on timings, running and order of the day. We can offer as much or as little help with decorations or liaising with your suppliers as you require.

**To book a viewing with our experienced wedding coordinators or if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.**





# TESTIMONIALS FROM OUR COUPLES

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## A WORD FROM OUR COUPLES

“Thank you so much for hosting our wedding. The two of us along with all our guests had a wonderful experience. You really are head and shoulders above the rest! We have heard nothing but great things from our guests about the venue, food, service and general experience. Thank you!”

D&S

“My husband and I had our wedding at The Barn on Saturday and it was the most perfect day. Everything was beyond what we could have imagined. The food was delicious and there was plenty to go round.

Chloe and her team worked timelessly with smiles on their faces to keep the day on track.

The splendour of the venue took our breath away, we couldn't have been happier. We had endless compliments from our guests.

R&D

“We got married in The Barn at the end of May and it was an absolutely amazing day. Old Down were incredibly helpful and accommodating of all our needs and requests. They worked with all of our vendors to make sure everything ran smoothly on the day, and worked with us to create a bespoke Afternoon Tea menu and even agreed to do Colombian food during our cocktail hour to celebrate my wife's culture. For us, The Barn and Walled Garden was the perfect venue for what we wanted, and Joey was exceptional to work with for the last year or so!”

C&S

“In our eyes everything was just perfect from the stylish surroundings, the fantastic food, the cellar night club, to the tireless help from all the staff. Our wedding was such an important occasion made all the more wonderful by your excellent team and venue.”

C&V

“We got married on the 14 of May at this beautiful venue with a gorgeous ceremony in the walled garden and wedding breakfast/dancing in the barn. We originally visited the barn for a roast a year prior and instantly fell in love with it. We had originally planned to have a registry office ceremony but as soon as we saw the walled garden we knew it was perfect for us. All our family and friends raved about the location, particularly in relation to getting to see the animals and even buy some plants! The barn is beautiful and the walled garden even more lovely, particularly on the sunny day we had. Our wedding coordinator Joey was wonderful and made our day exactly what we wanted, we couldn't have asked for more, including last minute changes. Would 100% recommend and are looking forward to staying in one of the bell tents in the summer. My nephew's already want to go back for a visit to play on the park too!”

J&J







# CONTACT OUR WEDDINGS TEAM

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## SEND A REVIEW

We love to hear feedback you might have following your special day.

Please email us on:  
[info@olddownestate.co.uk](mailto:info@olddownestate.co.uk)

## BOOK A VIEWING

Book a viewing with our dedicated coordinators.

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Open Days and Wedding Fayres  
at The Barn, Old Down Estate

For information on our forthcoming days  
please visit: [www.olddownestate.co.uk/events](http://www.olddownestate.co.uk/events)  
alternatively please visit our social media channels.

## GET IN TOUCH

If you have any questions, please  
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