



YOUR DREAM WEDDING
AT THE WHITE HART



FALL HEAD OVER HEELS FOR OUR UNIQUE WEDDING VENUE

Our beautiful wedding venue is set in four and a half acres of immaculate gardens and offers the space of a contemporary venue combined with the character and charm of a traditional venue. Wooden beams, candelabras and exposed brick blend seamlessly with high ceilings and large doors that connect to the garden.

Say 'I do' on our elevated mezzanine floor or under the stars in a gorgeous garden ceremony. Then kick off the celebrations in the barn, with all of your favourite people in one room.



THE ESSEX BARN

Our Essex Barn can comfortably sit up to 200 guests, whilst the dark oak beams and mezzanine floor offers a cosy ambience that works well for an intimate gathering too.

Summer wedding guests can spill out of the French doors onto the terrace and immaculate gardens. Winter wedding guests will bask in the warm glow of the barn's soft lighting and traditional features.

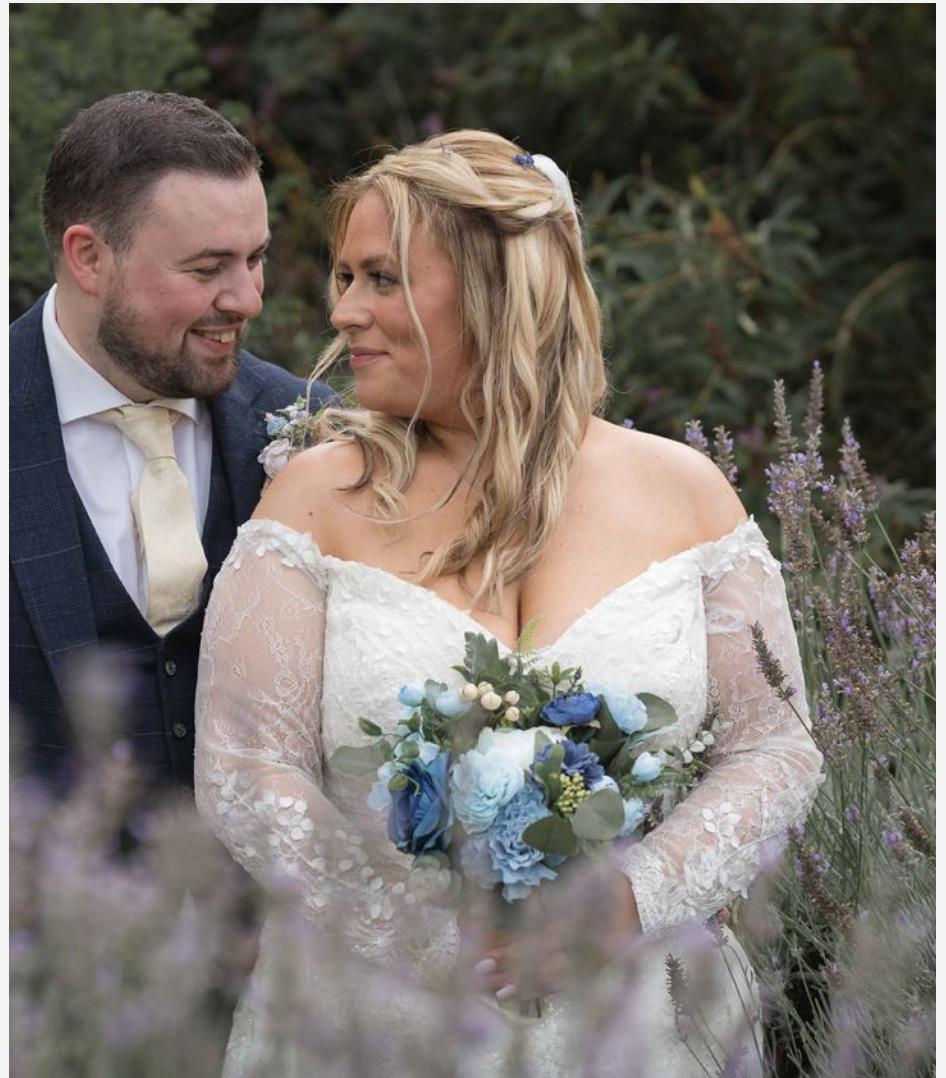
However you choose to celebrate, it's the most magical space to dance the night away surrounded by your favourite people.





AWARD-WINNING ACCOMMODATION

After a day of wonderful celebrations, you won't want to venture far to rest your head. We have 13 five gold star rated bedrooms just a few steps away from the barn, so you can stay overnight with your wedding party and reminisce on the best day of your lives over breakfast.



PICTURE PERFECT GARDENS

Set amongst four and a half acres of beautiful, landscaped gardens, The Essex Barn has the perfect backdrop for stunning wedding photos. In the warmer months you can say your vows under our gorgeous wooden gazebo.





EXCLUSIVE WEDDING PACKAGES

We've been hosting weddings for years, so we understand that planning and budgeting for your big day can be challenging. That's why we have created these all-inclusive wedding packages. So, you can simply look forward to the best day of your life knowing that everything is taken care of.



TWILIGHT WEDDING PACKAGE

Say your 'I dos' in a romantic twilight ceremony at The Essex Barn with up to 80 guests. This wedding package includes a late ceremony (any time from 5pm onwards) and full use of our charming barn and gardens for the evening.

- Aperitif on arrival or celebration toast drink
- Hire of venue for service [excludes registrars fee]
- Hire of barn, fully furnished, dance floor, licensed bar
- Evening BBQ buffet
- Finest white table linen and white crockery
- Cake stand and cake knife
- Bridal dressing and preparation room
- Discount on bridal suite
- Personal wedding advisor

Available Wednesday – Friday





GOLD PACKAGE

This all-inclusive wedding package includes everything you need for a fantastic celebration for up to 80 guests.

- Aperitif on arrival
- Hire of venue for service [excludes registrars fee]
- Hire of barn, fully furnished, dance floor, licensed bar
- 3 Course wedding breakfast
- 2 Glasses of wine per person + Celebration toast drink
- Finest white table linen and white crockery
- Cake stand and cake knife
- Bridal dressing and preparation room
- Discount on bridal suite
- Personal wedding advisor
- Includes evening BBQ Buffet for the number of guests in the choice of package

Available on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Bank Holiday Mondays





WEDDING TRADITIONS

Origins and meanings behind our most cherished wedding traditions

THIRD FINGER, LEFT HAND

Engagement and wedding rings are traditionally worn on the third finger of the left hand. The Ancient Greeks and Romans believed that a vein of blood ran directly from this finger to the heart. The vein was called *vena amoris*, literally, "vein of love". The wedding ring represents a never ending cycle, symbolising everlasting love.

THROWING CONFETTI

Originated from the ancient Pagan rite of showering the happy couple with grain to wish them a fruitful union.

BRIDE ON THE LEFT AND GROOM ON THE RIGHT

It is believed that this practice goes back to times when the right arm was considered the sword arm of most fighting men. If a man had to protect his bride from rival suitors he would hold her with his left hand, leaving his right hand free to use his sword.

SOMETHING OLD, SOMETHING NEW, SOMETHING BORROWED, SOMETHING BLUE AND A SILVER SIXPENCE IN YOUR SHOE

"Something Old"

Signifies the bride's link to her family and the past. The bride might, for example, wear a piece of family jewellery from her mother or grandmother's wedding dress.

"Something New"

Reflects hope for good fortune and success in the future. The bride often chooses the wedding gown as the 'new' item.

"Something Borrowed"

Is often an item already worn by a happy bride at her wedding, such as a handkerchief or item of jewellery.

"Something Blue"

Dates back to biblical times when the colour blue was considered to represent purity and fidelity. Over time this has evolved from wearing blue clothing to wearing a blue band around the bottom of the bride's dress and more modern times where the bride wears a blue coloured garter.

"And a sliver sixpence in your shoe"

During the early 1600's it was customary for the Lord of the Manor to give his bride a piece of silver as a wedding gift. Later, the custom evolved to that of the parents of the bride presenting a sixpence as a dowry gift. Since Victorian times, however, it has become more of a good luck charm to bring wealth and happiness to the marriage.



HOW TO FIND US

In the heart of the Essex countryside with easy access from the major roads.

The White Hart
Poole Street, Great Yeldham, Halstead, Essex, CO9 4HJ

The town of Halstead is a ten minute drive away.

The nearest bus stop is a five minute walk and the nearest main line train station is Free-Port Braintree and a fifteen minute drive away.

ARRIVAL & CAR PARKING FACILITIES

There is a larger well lit off road car park. The car park is located around the entrance of the main building where reception and the restaurant is located.

We are happy to assist any guests from car park to entrance to room.





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