

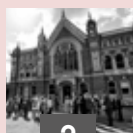
WEDDING INSPIRATION

{ YOUR LOCAL GUIDE TO THE BIG DAY }



DULWICH PICTURE GALLERY

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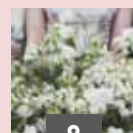
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Wedding news: beautiful flowers, cakes and more

A bride and groom are walking down a grand, ornate staircase. The bride is wearing a white lace gown and a tiara, holding a bouquet of white flowers. The groom is in a dark suit, holding a glass. The background is a magnificent hall with a painted ceiling and classical architecture.

Maritime splendour

The magnificent Painted Hall of the Old Royal Naval College is recognised as one of the greatest examples of decorative painting in England, and has even been described as the Sistine Chapel of the UK.

See omc.org.uk

PERFECT DAY

*Our pick of the finest wedding venues in
south east London*

Words MADELEINE HOWELL



Old masters

Happy couples can celebrate their nuptials amidst paintings by Rembrandt, Rubens and Gainsborough in the Soane Gallery at the Dulwich Picture Gallery, or opt for a more contemporary feel in the Linbury Room. On sunny days, the Gallery Gardens and the Meadows offer ample space for a magnificent party.
See dulwichpicturegallery.org.uk

Majestic memories

The award-winning architecture of Dulwich College, designed by Charles Barry Junior (whose father designed the Houses of Parliament), makes for wedding photographs you'll be sure to treasure. The triangular gables, turrets and cupolas are inspired by 13th century North Italian buildings and prove a majestic, striking backdrop.
See dulwich.org.uk



Regal reception

The 17th century Admiral's House is the oldest building within the Old Royal Naval College in Greenwich, and was commissioned by Charles II in 1660. The setting is regal, yet intimate, with tranquil views overlooking the nearby Thames.
See omc.org.uk



Art Deco dreams

The wood-panelled entrance hall, the Italian drawing rooms and the verdant gardens of Eltham Palace host elegant, romantic ceremonies and receptions. There are also experts in flowers, lighting and entertainment on hand to ensure your big day runs as smoothly as possible.

See english-heritage.org.uk



Victorian Asylum

The Asylum Chapel situated at Caroline Gardens in Peckham is a Grade II listed venue built in 1826. Originally a charitable institution, these days it serves as a visually arresting, unusual venue for wedding ceremonies and photo shoots, and is suitable for up to 120 guests.

See maverickprojects.co.uk/asylum/weddings



House party

Belair House is a stunning two-floor Georgian mansion which boasts panoramic views of Belair Park in West Dulwich and a glossy bar and dining room for your reception. In summer, enjoy the grounds, conservatory and terraces, and in winter, celebrate with your honoured guests beside heartwarming open fires.

See belairhouse.co.uk

Local EXPERTS

The specialists who will help you create a day you'll never forget



THE NORTH POLE PIANO RESTAURANT

The elegant décor of the North Pole make this venue the perfect place for wedding receptions and private functions. The stylish Piano Restaurant can be hired for a sit-down dinner for up to 85. For a more intimate event, you can have the Red Room which seats up to 30. The North Pole Event's Manager can take the pressure off by helping you organise your special dream day. **131 Greenwich High Road, Greenwich SE10 8JA**
020 8853 3020; info@northpolegreenwich.com



DEVONPORT HOUSE, ROYAL GREENWICH

Devonport House in Royal Greenwich is the idyllic location for your wedding. Packages include drinks on arrival, a sumptuous three-course wedding breakfast, complimentary wine with dinner and a luxurious bridal suite for the wedding night. Be sure everything will be perfect with a complimentary menu tasting prior to the wedding day.
020 8269 5420;
devonportsalesteam@deverevenues.co.uk



KAREN WOOLVEN FLOWERS

Beautiful flowers, perfectly arranged and expertly designed, create a wonderfully personal ambience on the big day. Karen Woolven Flowers specialises in creating breath-taking floral schemes for a diverse mix of weddings. The team understands how important it is that your flowers are perfect on your special day and is devoted to delivering flawless quality and beautiful design in every piece.
18 Royal Hill, Greenwich SE10 8RT; 020 8858 1112; kwfloraldesign.co.uk



GREENWICH TAVERN

With a brand new licence to conduct wedding ceremonies and two stunning, distinctive rooms available for private hire, the Greenwich Tavern is the perfect intimate venue. Its charming location and relaxed atmosphere has made the Tavern a popular choice, with a dedicated team ensuring that every aspect of your big day is perfect.
1 King William Walk SE10 9JH; 020 8858 8791;
greenwichtavern.co.uk



Make your day unforgettable

On your wedding day we understand that you want to remember it as a day of celebration with friends and family. That's why finding the right venue is so important. The Mandolay Hotel is an independent boutique hotel set in the heart of Guildford. We'll take care of the small things so you can enjoy your big day.

SILVER PACKAGE

- Glass of sparkling wine on arrival
- Function Suite room hire
- Three-course wedding breakfast with coffee and homemade fudge for 40 people
- Half a bottle of House wine per guest served at the table
- Glass of sparkling wine for the toast
- Dedicated management team to oversee your wedding from beginning to end
- White linen and napkins
- Red carpet, silver cake stand and knife
- Resident DJ with dance floor and disco lighting
- Evening buffet (5 items) for 80 guests
- Junior suite for your wedding night including breakfast
- Preferential room rates for guests

£4,495.00

GOLD PACKAGE

As per Silver Package plus:

- Junior suite for the night prior to the big day
- 30 boxes of confetti
- White chair covers with coloured sash to suit your theme
- Private drinks reception including Prosecco, Pimm's or orange juice
- Personalised menus for your tables
- Glass of Prosecco for the toast
- Evening buffet (5 items) for 100 guests
- Complimentary food tasting for two

£5,495.00

PLATINUM PACKAGE

As per Gold Package plus:

- Signature Suite for the night prior to the big day
- Private drinks reception including Prosecco, Pimm's or orange juice with canapés for 60 guests
- Top table and centrepiece flowers designed just for you
- Personalised table plan, place cards and menus
- Half bottle of Premium wine per guest served at the table
- Evening buffet for (7 items) 100 guests
- Signature Suite for your wedding night including breakfast

£6,495.00

Why not contact our wedding coordinator to show you around our venue and for more information.

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Exceptional ideas to ensure you experience the perfect wedding



DAY SPA BLACKHEATH

Visit the Day Spa Blackheath and sparkle on that special day with their wedding packages. They offer HD brows, shellac manicure and pedicure, and facials and spray tans to keep your skin beautiful and soft. Plus a make up artist will be on hand to advise on different looks for the special occasion. A full range of beauty treatments available, plus laser hair removal.

020 8297 2799; dayspablackheath.co.uk



ALICE MCCABE

Alice McCabe is a Floral Artist based in south east London. Florist and painter for over a decade, she set up her own online floristry business in June 2016. She takes great joy in working on event commissions using her combined understanding of colour, form and botany to visualise and create inspirational floral displays.

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KAMAL MOSTOFI

Winner of multiple national and international awards, Kamal Mostofi is a renowned London-based photographer. He qualified as an associate wedding photographer and won The Guild of Photographers Society's Photographer of the Year 2015. Kamal can capture fashion, portrait and beauty in a wedding and offers a 25% discount on all wedding packages with the promotion code Bride25. kmwedding.co.uk; 07850 219 183. Follow @kmpphotography14 on Twitter and find kamalmostofiphotography on Facebook



THE CLARENDON HOTEL

The only venue in Blackheath approved for civil marriages, the Clarendon can deliver your special day with the help of their experienced banqueting team. The Clarendon banqueting suites can cater for 20-150, along with 175 bedrooms, 3 honeymoon suites and 3 banqueting suites the hotel makes an ideal choice for hosting your special day with family and friends.

Montpelier Row, Blackheath SE3 0RW;
020 8318 4321; clarendonhotel.com



**PARTY
PLANNER**

Producing no two occasions the same, Afmena Events are one of the most sought after wedding planners in London. Their team are dedicated to making sure every aspect of your day is tailored to your desired theme and style. 07539 410700; afmenaevents.co.uk



Wheel away

Roll up in style in a state-of-the-art car courtesy of Luxdrive. They offer a range of models to hire in Crystal Palace from Mercedes-Benz, Bentley and Rolls Royce to BMW, along with a professional chauffeur and a complimentary choice of coloured ribbons and flowers. If arriving fashionably late, you're sure to make a memorable impression.

See more at luxdrive.co.uk

WEDDING NOTEBOOK

The local businesses making waves in the world of weddings

**MAKE
A STAND**

The 'croquebouche' is a fabulous alternative to a typical wedding cake. Available from Blackheath's French pâtisserie, Boulangerie Jade, these dazzling towers of hand-crafted profiteroles are filled with your choice of flavour. boulangeriejade.com



Vintage style

Elizabeth Avey has been collecting vintage wedding dresses and accessories for nearly ten years in her retro boudoir down in Greenwich. Holding up to 70 dresses at a time, Avey's uniquely styled, bespoke gowns are inspired by everything from Edwardian and 1950's cocktail chic. Any bride looking for something not found in the bridal magazines should book an appointment today.

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elizabethavey.com**



Power of flowers

Alice McCabe is a Floral Artist based in south east London. Florist and painter for over a decade she takes great delight in both the visualisation and creation of floral commissions.

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