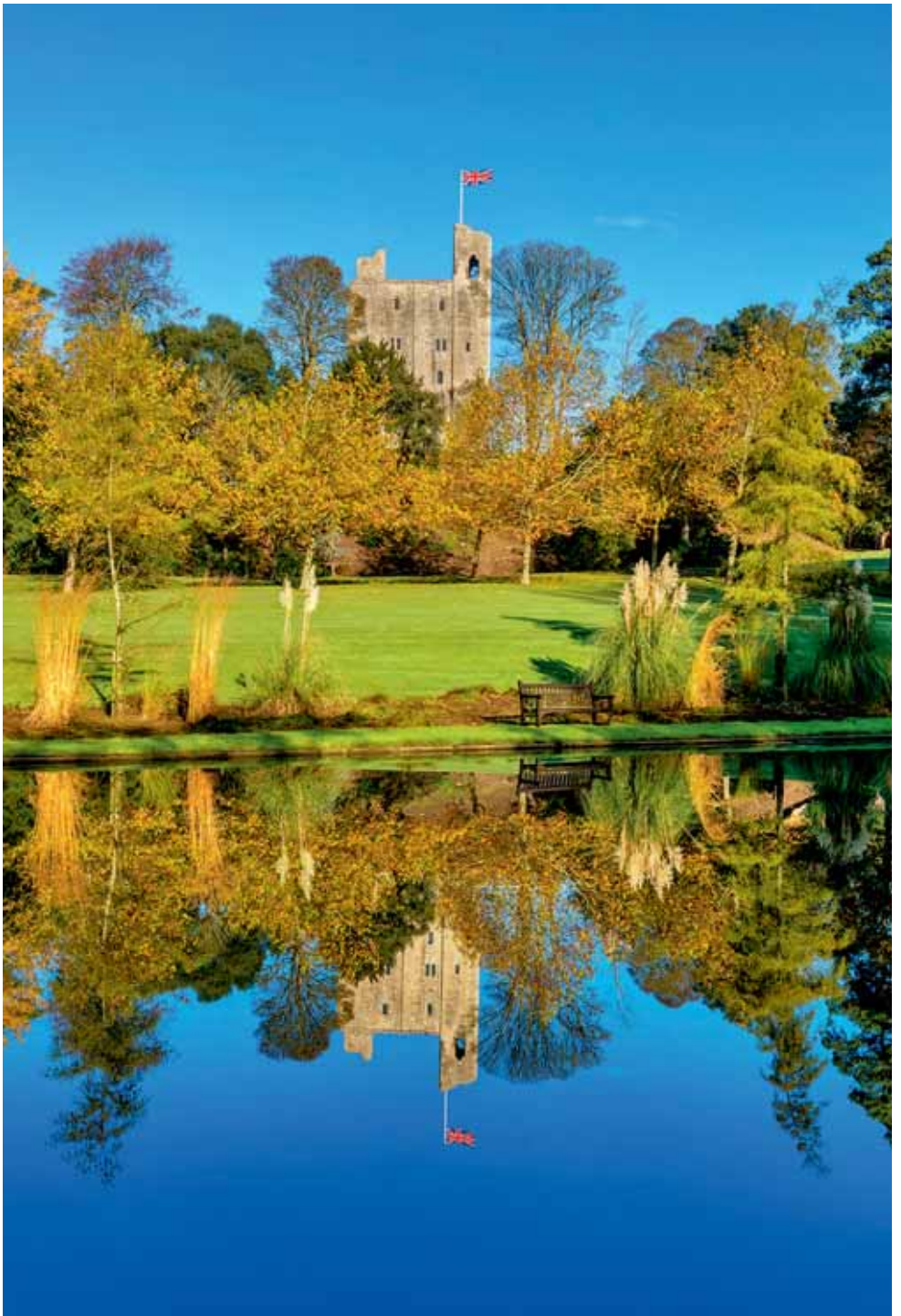


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WEDDINGS &
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Historic, beautiful and unique, Hedingham Castle is the most romantic setting in England: the Norman Castle steeped in heritage; the Georgian House overlooking manicured lawns sweeping down to a tree lined lake; all set amongst ancient woodland and landscaped gardens.

A magnificent marriage begins in a magnificent place.



*Come live with me and be my Love,
And we will all the pleasures prove
That hills and valleys, dale and field,
And all the craggy mountains yield.*

THE HEDINGHAM ESTATE



Set in 160 acres of picturesque Essex countryside, the Hedingham Estate is a private park of ever changing beauty.

In Spring, bluebells and daffodils paint wondrous colours over the landscape and the trees come alive with birdsong.

Summer brings a riot of rainbows as the rhododendrons bloom and in the Autumn, the woodland turns to gold and fires blaze in the hearths.

Winter reveals an incredible snowdrop collection and throughout it all, the Castle stands above, a dependable symbol of strength and stability atop its ancient defensive earthworks.



*There will we sit upon the rocks
And see the shepherds feed their flocks,
By shallow rivers, to whose falls
Melodious birds sing madrigals.*





CEREMONIES

Ceremonies are held in the Banqueting Hall of the Castle with its breathtaking archway, the finest in Western Europe and where our ancestors once hosted Elizabeth I.

A myriad of candles illuminate the majesty of the space and create the most incredibly romantic atmosphere. One hundred guests can be seated in the Hall, with thirty in the Minstrel's Gallery above.



Our outdoor ceremonies take place on either the lawns of the Georgian House with views over the lake, or on the Bailey in front of the Castle with hilltop views over the surrounding countryside.



*There will I make thee beds of roses
And a thousand fragrant posies,
A cap of flowers, and a kirtle
Embroider'd all with leaves of myrtle.*

RECEPTIONS



BALLROOM MARQUEE RECEPTIONS

For up to 150 guests plus an additional 50 evening guests

After your Ceremony, proceed over the Tudor Bridge to the elegant Georgian House for your reception in the splendour of the grand Hall, terrace and stunning lawns beyond. The immaculately furnished Ballroom Marquee stands in the tranquillity of the

Tulip Lawn and hosts your Wedding Breakfast and Evening Reception.

CASTLE RECEPTIONS

For up to 70 guests

For more intimate Wedding Parties, spend your entire day in the Castle itself. After your Ceremony, descend to the Garrison Floor for drinks overlooking the Bailey then dine in the magnificent Tapestry Room. Your Evening Reception takes place on the Garrison Floor, complete with bar and dancefloor.



No matter where you are situated, the beauty of a Hedingham wedding is that all your guests are together for the entire day. No separate rooms for the bar, seating or dancefloor - everyone feels included in the party atmosphere. The flow of your day is hugely important to us and this really gives your day the most incredible energy.

*A gown made of the finest wool
Which from our pretty lambs we pull,
Fair lined slippers for the cold,
With buskles of the purest gold.*





WEDDING WEEKENDS

The best moments of your lives should be savoured. Make Hedingham your home for the weekend and soak up every magical moment.

The entirety of the Hedingham Estate can be yours - the historic Castle, beautiful Georgian House with its elegant reception rooms and Ballroom Marquee, and the charming Garden Cottage, Medieval Lodge and Royal Chamber for resting. Spend an enchanting few days with your most cherished friends and family and make memories that will last a lifetime.



Wedding weekends are completely bespoke and personal, each as unique as the couple taking their vows, and we can help you create a truly incredible celebration from start to finish.



*Thy silver dishes for thy meat
As precious as the gods do eat,
Shall on an ivory table be
Prepared each day for thee and me.*

FOOD & DRINK



The smooth flow of your day is of utmost importance to us, which is why we have carefully selected a collection of trusted local caterers for you to choose from. Every dish you select for your guests, from the range of fine menus on offer, is prepared on site using regionally sourced produce.

Our catering partners offer complimentary tastings at their headquarters to allow you to choose and tailor your menus to perfection.

Our bar team can create your dream drinks menu, from a bespoke gin bar to a special Cocktail Hour after your Wedding Breakfast to get the party started. Let your imagination run free.



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ACCOMMODATION

The Garden Cottage, situated in its own orchard just a stone's throw from the Castle, is provided for the immediate Wedding Party on the day of the wedding for preparations. It is then transformed into a romantic hideaway for which the newlyweds can retreat at the end of the evening.



The Medieval Lodge, at the end of the drive, sleeps up to 17 people in eight bedrooms and is a most convenient and charming place for friends and family to stay after the celebrations.

The Royal Chamber is the only modern bedroom in a Norman Keep in the country and staying here is a unique and treasured experience. Featuring a colossal four-poster bed, luxurious double bath and exquisite original features, this is the perfect sanctuary for those who adore the history and atmosphere of the Castle.



*The shepherd swains shall dance and sing
For thy delight each May-morning:
If these delights thy mind may move,
Then live with me and be my Love.*

WHAT OUR COUPLES SAY



"Hedingham Castle is exquisitely grand but the warmth of the team and the feel of the place felt so homely and intimate. We knew the day was going to be good but it was better than what we could have ever hoped for."

- *Josie & Sherife*

"From the moment we booked, right up until the end of our wedding day, the staff were just amazing. Our family and friends have all echoed how amazing the team at Hedingham Castle were on the day. A flawless venue - thank you for our dream wedding!"

- *Louise & Leo*

"It was absolutely perfect and our guests are still commenting on how beautiful the castle and grounds were! Huge thank you to the whole team for organising our day and making it run so smoothly. We couldn't have wished for a more perfect day!"

- *Georgina & Lewis*

"This truly is a very special wedding venue which, along with the team, made us feel very special on our wedding day. We would strongly recommend Hedingham Castle if you are looking for a unique romantic venue."

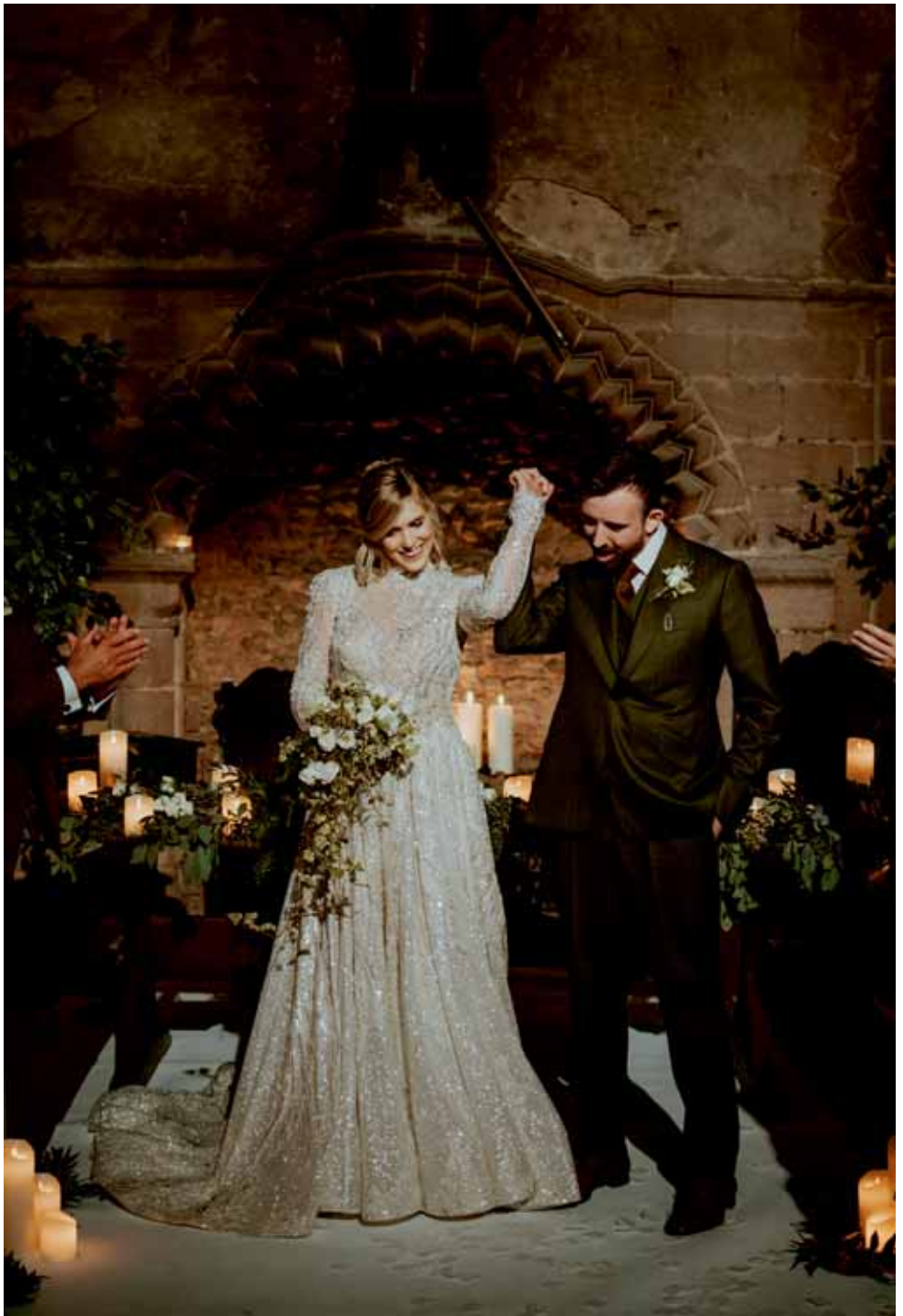
- *Claire & Ben*

"The most amazing day.... but more than that it was the most amazing experience from start to finish - from the moment we visited to look at the venue to the moment we left the day after our actual wedding."

- *Pauline & David*

"Wow wow wow, what can I say - we had the absolute best day! We are so thrilled that we picked Hedingham and would recommend them to anyone as the perfect place to have a wedding!"

- *Emma & Sam*





THE ROLLS ROYCE

The epitome of elegance with leather upholstery, walnut interior and a uniformed driver, our classic Rolls Royce is available to take you from the Garden Cottage to the Castle for your Ceremony.



We know that planning your wedding can oftentimes feel rather daunting. Our friendly and experienced team of wedding coordinators live and breathe weddings and are delighted to answer any questions you may have and help guide you through your wedding planning journey.

Please phone or email us to arrange a private viewing appointment.

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