

*Prestige*  
*at* BLAKELANDS

*2020*

# *a 17<sup>th</sup> Country House & Victorian Barn Wedding Venue*

My Family & I have been hosting Weddings at Blakelands Country House since we first converted the old farm buildings & barns in 1992.

Blakelands itself dates from the late Tudor period, with the current House constructed in 1722.

Conversion of the Original farm buildings to offer banqueting facilities has resulted in the delightful Stable Bedrooms, which together with the Lodge rooms provide 15 ensuite guest rooms. The Magnificent Victorian Maltings Barn, highlighted by its tall king beam construction, is now festooned by sparkling fairy lights & lit by wrought iron chandeliers.

The Main House, Formal Gardens, & our Victorian Barn are all licensed for Civil Ceremonies, & together with the paddocks, orchards & lakes provide a delightful setting for your Wedding day.

The Barn is ultimately flexible, it can cater for 10 to 120 for seated guests, or up to 200 for an evening reception.

As for your Wedding Breakfast, we pride ourselves on the level of catering we provide, with all our staff employed by us, serving consistently high quality food year on year.

At Blakelands our *Prestige* Options allow you to tailor your own wedding package to your exacting requirements.

*Paul Morgan*

*Planning for 2021 ?*

*Book with confidence for 2021, confirm you Wedding before the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019, and the prices contained within this package are held.*

# Prestige *at* BLAKELANDS

## *Our Prestige Weddings:*

- . Private use of Blakelands House, Maltings Barn, Lodge Lounge, Gardens and Grounds
- . Dedicated Master of Ceremonies & Blakelands Management Team
- . Low fixed booking fee regardless of total wedding cost
- . Confidence of Consistent Outstanding Cuisine & Service from our own in-house Catering Staff
- . Extensive Choice of Reception Drinks
- . Wide Range of Wines from our Cellars
- . Lodge Lounge & Bar for guest's comfort prior to Ceremony
- . Blakelands Main Hall, Maltings Barn or Outdoor Garden Bandstand for your Civil Ceremony
- . The Sumptuous Corbett Bridal Suite from 12 noon for your overnight stay including Full Breakfast
- . Two further Premium Blakelands House Bedrooms for your guests including Full Breakfast
- . Priority Reservation of additional bedrooms for your guests
- . Our Menus consist of a guest choice from 3 Starters & 4 Desserts
- . You may select a choice of 2 Main Courses for your guests
- . Choice of Square or Round Antique Silver Cake Stands or Log Slice Cake Stand & Bride's Knife
- . Jugs of iced water for all tables
- . Blakelands table numbers & menus
- . Blakelands Wedding Suppliers Directory
- . And don't forget the Amazing Bertie Bear as our Brides gift

# Prestige

at BLAKELANDS

*Tailor your Wedding, your way. Select from the following pages your ideal options to create a unique & individual Wedding day*

1. Venue Fee. (details are on page 5)  
This is our hire fee to host your wedding day, it includes the use of Blakelands House, Gardens & Grounds to relax & for photography. Venue fees include the total privacy of Blakelands House and the Corbett Bridal Suite as well as the further two principal house bedrooms, The Oak Room & Cottage Room.
2. Reception Drinks Package (details are on page 6)  
Served on arrival from Church or following your Civil Ceremony. A brief respite before photography, giving your guests and yourselves an opportunity to relax & celebrate your Marriage. A choice of two drinks may be selected, soft drinks will also be provided for non drinkers & children.
3. The Wedding Breakfast (details of your meal options are on pages 7 to 10)  
Put together by our management team including Blakelands Owners, Paul and Heather & Head Chef Richard, our Wedding Breakfasts uniquely offer you & your guests a choice of **2 starters**, followed by your choice of **2 main courses**, and completed with a choice from **4 desserts**. Pricing is done only by the main course giving you again an unhindered choice of what starters & desserts you wish to offer your guests on the day.
4. The Wine Package (details are on page 11)  
Our Banqueting wine list allows you to choose the two wines served to accompany your meal. Priced either by service or by individual bottle, with 2 glass sizes to choose from, our eight options allow you the ultimate choice.  
We will also hold a 2 annual Open Days at which you may taste all the wines on offer.
5. The Evening Supper (these details can be found on page 12 & 13)  
With both hot and cold buffets & suppers on offer, ranging from a lighter Cheese & Pate Supper and Traditional Cold Buffets through to hot options such as the BBQ buffet or Hot Pork, we offer a wide choice for all tastes and themes.

These five costs, together, will form the majority of our charges to you.

We can also offer details & contact numbers for suppliers you may need such as Wedding Cakes, Photographers, Chair Dressers, Entertainers, Disco's & Bands.

# Hire Fee's & Venue Charges

These fee's are payable on all Prestige Weddings & Receptions held at Blakelands.

	Wednesday, Thursday & Sunday	Friday Min x 60	Saturday Min x 60	Special Dates
February, March & November	£1800.00	£3050.00	£4575.00	Valentines Day £2350.00
April, May & June	£3140.00	£4900.00	£6450.00	Easter Sunday £4140.00
July, August & September	£4245.00	£6215.00	£7850.00	
January, October & December	£2370.00	£4135.00	£5670.00	NYE £5670.00 NY Day £2900.00

## The Finishing Touch

To complete the room, add chair decoration (choice from Covers and Sashes, Just Sashes or Just Hoods), Lit Bird Cage, Candle Stick or Storm Vase Table Centres, place cards, table numbers & seating plans as well as our fixed GPO Post Box.

For up to 80 dressed chairs

**£260.00**

Additional Hessian Bunting Package for the Barn

**£85.00**

Blakelands House DJ - Toplights

**£400.00**

## 3hr. Civil Ceremony Package



Blakelands is also available simply for hire over a 3 hour period on selected dates, with an hour prior to the ceremony & complimentary use of The Loft to prepare, this package also allows time for Reception drinks & photography before departing.

Venue Charge: **£1295.00**

## The Brides Early Arrival Option



With arrivals from 9.30am, the Loft gives you the ideal space to prepare for your wedding day. Featuring a kitchenette area with tea, coffee, soft drinks & that wedding essential, chilled Prosecco along with bonbons, biscuits & savoury snacks.

**£245.00**

## Armed Forces Discount



Are you serving forces personnel?

**£ - 10%**

We are proud to offer a 10% discount on the main charges of your Wedding Reception with presentation of your Defence Discount Card.

# Blakelands House Reception

Reception Drink Selection: *please select 2 drinks, a choice of both will be offered to your guests along with a soft drink option*

Option 1 – Priced @ £5.30 per guest

Sparkling Bucks Fizz (Bubbly & Orange Juice)  
White Wine & Lemonade Spritzer  
Bottled Lager (Served in the bottle)  
Dry Martini & Lemonade  
Pimms & Lemonade  
Gordons Gin, Tonic & lime

Option 2 – Priced @ £5.25 per guest

Medium Dry Chenin Blanc White Wine  
Dry Sauvignon Blanc White Wine  
Tio Pepe Chilled Dry Sherry

Option 3 – Priced at £5.50 per guest

Bellini Cocktail (Bubbly, Peach Juice & Schnapps)  
French Sparkling Wine  
Hot Mulled Wine Punch  
Baileys Hot Chocolate

Option 4 – Priced @ £6.40 per guest

Asti Spumante Martini  
Fresita Strawberry Bubbly  
Italian Sparkling Prosecco  
Kir Royale (Bubbly & Blackcurrant Cassis)  
Warner Edwards Rhubarb Gin & Tonic

Option 5 – Priced @ £8.90 per guest

Champagne (Our 1er Cru House Champagne)

Children will be served with fruit juices @ £3.00 per child

## **Cold Canapés @ £4.45 per guest**

1. Individual canapés with Brussels pate & cranberry, Avocado & prawn and Salsa & goats cheese
2. Smoked Salmon, cream cheese & chive Bellini's

## **Warm Canapés @ £4.55 per guest**

3. Individual hot pastries with Salmon, Cheese & ham and Mushroom fillings
4. *Mex it up* – mini chicken fajitas, bean & vegetable quesadillas & chicken empanades
5. Christmas Selection – warm mini mince pies, pigs in blankets, goats cheese & cranberry croustade

## **Sweet Canapés @ £4.25 per guest**

6. Chocolate Truffles - Praline & Hazelnut, Rum, Cointreau and Champagne Chocolate Truffles
7. Strawberries hand dipped in Belgium Milk chocolate & White Chocolate Chantilly Choux Buns (May to September)
8. Strawberry & Cream Button Scones (May to September)

## **Warm Canapies @ £4.95 per guest**

9. Individual mini Steak 'n' Ale, Chicken & Mushroom and Toad in the Hole

# Wedding Breakfast Menu's

**Two First Course choices** should be made, one hot & one cold, both will be offered to your guests as your first course.

The prices shown for main courses includes your choice of starters & desserts

## Hot Starters & Soups

- Oxtail Soup, *hand torn basil*
- Roasted Tomato & Basil Soup, *farmhouse croutons*
- Cream of Leek & Potato Soup, *handcut chives*
- Pea & Ham Hock Soup, *wholemeal toasties*
- Traditional Farmhouse Vegetable Soup, *classic croutons*
- Cream of Wild & Portobello Mushroom Soup
- Cream Of Asparagus Soup, *parsnip chips*
- Broccoli & Stilton Soup, *crumbles of blue cheese*
- Carrot & Coriander Soup, *crisp croutons*
- Classic Italian Minestrone Soup, *parmesan shavings*
- French Onion Soup, *welsh rarebit toasties*
  
- Poached Salmon & Haddock Potato Cake, *caper dressing & seasonal leaves*
- Creamy Garlic Mushrooms *dressed lambs leaf, bruschetta toast & aged balsamic*
- Warm Goats Cheese Ciabatta, *mixed baby leaf salad, balsamic & red onion confit*
- Pattingham Black Pudding Tower, *potato rosti, Oakwood smoked bacon & hollandaise*
- Fresh Salmon & Spinach filo pastry purse, *classic beurre blanc*
- Smoked Haddock & Spring Onion Fishcake, *dressed leaves & sauce tartar*
- Monkfish & Salmon Kebab, *smoked bacon & honey marinade*
- Arbroath Smokey Potato Cake, *lemon mayo & crunchy salad*
- Blacksticks Blue Cheese & Walnut Soufflé, *classic lambs leaf salad*

## Cold Starters

- Waldorf Salad (n)
- Chilled Fanned Melon, *Red Berry Jus*
- Sliced Honeydew Melon, *Parma Ham Strips & honey drizzled leaves*
- King Prawn, Avocado & Cashew Nut Crunchy Salad
- Beef Tomato & Buffalo Mozzarella, *Balsamic Oil Dressing, hand torn basil*
- Crayfish Tails, *Lemon & Dill Mayonnaise, sesame toast*
- Strawberry Chicken Salad, *summer leaves & strawberry vinaigrette*
- Abergavenny Goats Cheese, *baby beetroot & toasted pinenut salad (n)*
- Smoked Scottish Salmon, *baby beetroot, horseradish cream & lambs leaf salad*
- Classic Caesar Salad, *chicken, garlic cream, croutons & parmesan*
- Silky Chicken Liver & Cognac Parfait, *melba slices & house salad*
- Pork, Apple & Calvados Terrine, *apple chutney & wholemeal toast*
- Smoked Salmon & Cod Posset, *seeded batch loaf*
- Smooth Duck & Orange Pate, *classic toast & citrus salad*
- Chargrilled Vegetable Mushroom Pate, *horseradish cream & granary toasties*
- Wild Boar Terrine, *tomato concasse & ciabatta toasties*
- Local Chargrilled Asparagus Spears, *pernod cream & parmesan (February to May)*
- Quorn & Apple Pate, & *wholemeal toast (vegan alternative pate)*

# Wedding Breakfast Menu's

*Please select a main course choice. You may select a second choice, in this instance, a pre-order of your guests preferred choice will be required.*

*(Charges will be based on the higher priced option for all guests)*

## Main Courses

<b>OPTION 'A'</b> CHICKEN FORESTIERRE, classic mushroom & madiera cream sauce.	<b>£51.55 per person</b>
<b>OPTION 'B'</b> ROAST CHICKEN, sage and onion stuffing & delicious poultry gravy.	<b>£51.55 per person</b>
<b>OPTION 'C'</b> CHICKEN CHASSEUR, simmered in red wine, herbs, mushrooms & shallots.	<b>£51.55 per person</b>
<b>OPTION 'D'</b> ROAST SHROPSHIRE TURKEY, chipolatas, sage and onion stuffing & cranberry.	<b>£52.00 per person</b>
<b>OPTION 'E'</b> ROAST LEG OF PORK, red onion and smoked bacon loaf, fresh apple compote & salted crackling.	<b>£52.00 per person</b>
<b>OPTION 'F'</b> ROAST TOPSIDE OF BEEF, Yorkshire pudding and horseradish creme.	<b>£55.00 per person</b>
<b>OPTION 'G'</b> ROAST LEG OF ENGLISH LAMB, fresh garden mint sauce & pan juices.	<b>£56.45 per person</b>
<b>OPTION 'H'</b> SALMON FILLET, chardonnay and cream veloute, hand cut chives.	<b>£56.45 per person</b>
<b>OPTION 'J'</b> DUCK BREAST, pan seared with an apricot and brandy glaze.	<b>£55.10 per person</b>
<b>OPTION 'K'</b> FILLET STEAK, caramelised onions, flatcap mushroom & Signature Sauce	<b>£63.50 per person</b>
<b>OPTION 'L'</b> HONEY GLAZED HAM, hand carved with a fresh parsley & cider cream sauce	<b>£51.50 per person</b>
<b>OPTION 'M'</b> STEAK & ALE PIE, slow oven braised beef in Enville Ale, a puffy hat & Cheesy Mash	<b>£52.60 per person</b>
<b>OPTION 'N'</b> BANGERS & MASH, Speciality Shropshire Pork Sausages, caramelised onion gravy & mashed potato	<b>£51.55 per person</b>
<b>OPTION 'P'</b> HUNTERS CHICKEN, chicken breast, wrapped back bacon, vintage cheddar, a smoky BBQ glaze & mashed potato. We recommend peas, carrots & broccoli	<b>£52.60 per person</b>
<b>OPTION 'Q'</b> ROAST SIRLOIN OF BEEF, hand carved & served with a merlot jus, caremalised onions and mushrooms & horseradish creme.	<b>£56.45 per person</b>

## Little ones to consider?

*Kids under 10 years are served with a smaller portion of the adult meals, however, we understand this can sometimes be difficult, so are happy to provide you with meal options especially for them.*

*The **Prestige Kids** Menu is available on request.*



# Wedding Breakfast Menu's.....

## Vegetable Selection

Please choose a selection of 3 vegetables to accompany your main course:

Sliced Carrots

Garden Peas

Cauliflower Cheese

Sliced Courgettes

Cauliflower Florets

Baby Sweetcorn

Savoy Cabbage

White Cabbage

Broccoli Florets

Red Spiced Cabbage

Buttered Leeks

Green Beans

From October to March the following additional choices are available:

Sprouts

Honey Roast Parsnips

Diced Swede

All main courses will be served with Roasted & Buttered Baby Potatoes.  
(Options M, N & P will be served with Potato Mash as the only potato option)

## Vegetarian (ve) & Vegan (vg) Main Courses

*For Starters & Desserts, Chef will endeavour to provide an alternative similar to your main menu choice.*

CHEESE & SPINACH PARCELS, Vintage Cheddar & spinach leaves combined and wrapped in puff pastry (ve & vg)

ROAST ONION & GOATS CHEESE SHORTCRUST TART, White wine veloute (ve)

WILD MUSHROOM STRUDEL, Mushrooms bound with cream cheese in a crisp puff pastry wrap (ve)

STIR FRY VEGETABLES, Wok fried stir-fry served with wild rice (ve & vg)

MUSHROOM STROGANOFF, Mushrooms gently sauté with a little wine and brandy finished with cream, paprika & wild rice (ve & vg)

ROAST NUT LOAF, Grated carrot, rolled oats and mixed chopped nuts bound together, baked & topped with cheddar cheese (ve & vg) (n)

BLACKSTICKS BLUE CHEESE & WALNUT SOUFFLE, White wine cream sauce (ve) (n)

SPINACH, RICOTTA & PINENUT CREPE, Provencal sauce (ve) (n)

AUBERGINE & MUSHROOM ROAST, wild rice & basil (ve & vg)

## Optional Courses

### Additional Courses

If you wish, we can discuss additional courses to the Wedding Breakfast such as Sorbet or Fish Course.  
Please enquire for price details.

### Cheese Course

You may also opt for a separate Cheese course to follow the Desserts.  
A Cheese board featuring Welsh Vintage Cheddar, Somerset Brie, Finest Wrekin Blue Cheese & Abergavenny Goats Cheese served to the table, accompanied by baskets of Crackers & Biscuits, all dressed appropriately for the season

**£5.90 per guest**

# Wedding Breakfast Menu's.....

*Please select two choices, both will be offered to your guests as well as Ice Cream Sundae's or Cheese & Biscuits  
Alternatively, you may choose one of our Dessert Trio options*

## *Desserts - with Fresh Cotswold Double Cream*

Vanilla Crème Brulee, *dusted raspberries & shortbread thins*  
Strawberries & Cream  
Blakelands Famous Lemon Torte  
Blackberry Eton Mess, *kia royale jus & butter shortbread*  
Baked Vanilla Cheesecake, *fresh bananas & butterscotch sauce*  
Raspberry & White Chocolate Brulee Cheesecake  
Baked Vanilla Cheesecake, *forest fruit compote*  
Chocolate Fudge Cheesecake, *choccy sauce, bourbon & macadamia nutbase (n)*  
Squidgy Belgium Chocolate Roulade  
Chantilly Profiteroles, *luxury white & milk chocolate sauce*  
Baked Strawberry & Clotted Cream Tart  
Individual Raspberry Pavlova, *rosewater syrup*  
Summer Fruit Pudding, *jugs of extra cream*  
Strawberry Meringue Roulade, *champagne jus*  
The Best Warm Handmade Chocolate Brownie, *rich chocolate drizzle & ice cream*  
Lemon Tarte, *almond pastry (n)*  
Rhubarb & Ginger Fool, *crystallised ginger biscuits*

## *Puddings - with lots of Hot Custard*

Blakelands Homemade Crumbles  
Richard's Classic Fresh Fruit Pie  
Sticky Toffee Pudding, *Hot Toffee Sauce*  
Hot Chocolate Sponge, *Hot Choc Sauce*  
Syrup Sponge Pudding  
Classic Bread & Butter Pudding  
Calypso Bread & Butter Pudding *(Rum & Cherry)*  
Spotted Dick, *syrup drizzle*  
Individual Treacle Tarts  
Individual Cherry Bakewell Tart *(n)*  
Individual Lemon Frangipane Tart *(n)*

## *Dessert Trio's – dessert trio's are accompanied by a choice of ice cream sundae or cheese & biscuits*

**The Favourites** - Crème Brulee ~ Eton Mess ~ Chocolate Brownie  
**The Light Ones** - Banoffee Cheesecake ~ Belgium Choux Bun ~ Mini Raspberry Pavlova  
**The Classics** - Hot Apple Crumble & Custard ~ Mini Sherry Trifle ~ Crepe Suzette  
**The Cheesecakes** - Raspberry & White Choc ~ Banoffee ~ Choc Orange  
**The Puddings** - Mini Spotted Dick ~ Sticky Toffee Pudding ~ Rhubarb Crumble

*Followed by freshly made coffee or tea and chocolate mints.*

# Wedding Drinks Packages

Please select One White Wine & One Red Wine to accompany your Wedding Breakfast, followed by the Package you prefer, alternatively, you may choose wines from our extensive wine list, which is available on request.

Charges are based on a minimum half bottle per guest being provided.

Any guests not wishing to drink alcohol will be offered soft drinks.

## Wine Packages

### Selection A

#### White Wines

French Chenin Blanc Medium  
Australian Chardonnay  
Italian Chardonnay  
Spanish Rioja Blanco  
German Piesporter

#### Red Wines

French Merlot  
Australian Shiraz  
Italian Merlot  
Spanish Rioja Tinto  
Chilean White Zinfandel (Rose)

### Selection B

#### White Wines

Italian Pinot Grigio  
Chilean Sauvignon Blanc  
English Medium Black Country Gold  
Californian White Zinfandel (Rose)

#### Red Wines

Hungarian Pinot Noir  
Chilean Merlot  
English Medium Penny Red  
Californian Cabernet Sauvignon

### **PACKAGE '1'** – ONE GLASS OF RED OR WHITE WINE

and ONE GLASS OF FRENCH SPARKLING TOAST WINE

Selection A 125ml - £12.45 per guest

Selection B 125ml - £14.25 per guest

Selection A 175ml - £14.60 per guest

Selection B 175ml - £16.40 per guest

### **PACKAGE '2'** – ONE GLASS OF RED OR WHITE WINE + **PLUS A TOP UP**

and ONE GLASS OF FRENCH SPARKLING TOAST WINE

Selection A 125ml - £14.80 per guest

Selection B 125ml - £16.50 per guest

Selection A 175ml - £17.60 per guest

Selection B 175ml - £19.20 per guest

### **Soft Drinks Package**

Children & non-drinkers will be offered soft drinks throughout the meal & Lemonade to toast  
£6.95 per child/person

## Champagne & Sparkling Wine Options

To replace our French Sparkling Toast wine with one of these options, please ADD the charge shown:

Italian Asti Spumante Martini - £3.50 per person

Fresita Sparkling Rose - £3.50 per person

Italian Sparkling Prosecco/Rosada - £3.55 per person

Halfpenny Green British Fizz - £4.85 per person

Our House Champagne - £5.95 per person

Our House Pink Champagne - £6.75 per person

Moet & Chandon Champagne - £8.85 per person

Verve Cliquot Yellow Label - £8.95 per person

# Evening Supper Menus @ £13.85 per guest

All Suppers can be served in the Courtyard Cave

## **Option 'F' – Lite Bites Bacon Supper**

Unsmoked back bacon, served in soft sub rolls.  
Heinz ketchup & HP brown sauce.

## **Option 'G' – Cheese Supper**

Welsh Vintage Cheddar, Somerset Brie, Finest Wrekin Blue Cheese & Abergavenny Goats Cheese  
Crackers, French Bread Sticks, crisp sliced apples & bunches of grapes.

## **Option 'L' – Fish Finger Baps**

served in soft baps.  
Tartare sauce, ketchup & butter portions.

## **Option 'M' – Beef Burgers**

Locally made gourmet all beef burgers, served in burger baps.  
Cheese Slices, Iceberg Lettuce, Sliced Tomatoes, & Gherkins, Sautéed Sliced Onions, Heinz Ketchup & Classic Relish.

## **Option 'N' – Hot Dogs**

Locally hand made sausages – simply pork, pork with onion & chive and pork with tomato & black pepper,  
served in finger rolls. Sautéed sliced onions, HP sauce, BBQ sauce & mustard.

## **Option 'P' – Pulled Pork Baguettes**

Hand carved Pork with crackling, gravy, sage and onion stuffing & fresh apple sauce,  
served with 6" freshly baked baguettes

## **Option 'R' – Jacket Potatoes**

Large freshly baked Jacket Spuds.  
Accompanied by hot baked beans, grated cheddar cheese, vegetarian chilli, coleslaw & tuna

## **Option 'S' – Kebab Skewers**

A trio of grilled skewers with Chicken, Lamb and Beef & Salmon and Prawn  
Accompanied by sauces, salad & pita breads

## **Option 'T' – Chicken Fajitas**

Marinated chicken breast strips served with sizzling onions and mixed peppers, with warm soft tortillas,  
grated cheese, sour cream, guacamole and pico de gallo salsa.

## **Option 'V' – Beef Brisket Subs**

Slow Roasted Beef Brisket, hand carved and served in our 8" Sub rolls, with sautéed sliced onions,  
mustards, ketchup, BBQ sauce & mayonnaise.

## **Buffet Extra's & Desserts (available for any Supper or Buffet)**

Seasoned Jacket Potato Wedges	£2.25 per guest	Spicy Chicken Wings	£1.95 per guest
BBQ Pork Spare Ribs	£2.85 per guest	Mexican Spicy Rice	£1.65 per guest
Garlic & Herb Bread Slices	£1.65 per guest	BBQ Chicken Drumsticks	£2.50 per guest
Chinese Mini Spring Rolls	£1.80 per guest	Mini Sweet Chilli Chicken Kebabs	£2.50 per guest
Tempura Battered King Prawns	£2.80 per guest	Battered Onion Rings	£1.80 per guest
Mixed Salad Trays	£1.25 per guest	Mini Margarita Pizza's	£1.85 per guest
Mini Chocolate Éclairs	£1.80 per guest	Mini Chocolate Muffins	£1.80 per guest
Toffee Apple Slices	£1.85 per guest	Sugar Ring Doughnuts	£1.75 per guest

Tea & Coffee service with baked shortbread

£2.60 per guest

# Evening Full Buffet Menus

## **Option 'A' - Ham & Turkey Buffet @ £19.50 per guest**

Slices of Honey Roast Ham & Turkey Crown, BBQ Chicken Drumsticks, Buffet Sausage Rolls, Chicken Crunchies, Ham Mini Pizza's, Pork Pie, Vol au Vents with Prawns Marie Rose, Cocktail Sausages, Vegetarian Baked Quiche, Vegetable Samosa's, Garlic & Herb Bread Slices, Vol au Vents with Creamy Mushrooms, Margarita Mini Pizza's, Goats Cheese & Sun Blushed Tomato Crostini, White and Wholemeal Bread Rolls, Cheese & Pineapple on Sticks, Pickled Onions, Assorted Salad Leaves, Tomatoes, Sliced Peppers, Radishes, Cucumber & Crisps.

## **Option 'B' - Traditional Finger Buffet @ £19.50 per guest**

White & Wholemeal Sandwiches of the following assortment: Honey Roast Ham, Cheddar Cheese & Roast Turkey. French Bread Slices with toppings of Tuna & Mayonnaise and Egg & Cress with Mayonnaise Buffet Sausage Rolls, Pork Pie, Chicken Crunchies, Black Pudding, Vegetarian Baked Quiche, Vegetable Samosas, Vol au Vents filled with Prawns Marie Rose and with Creamy Mushrooms, Ham & Margarita Mini Pizza's, Cocktail Sausages, Pickled Onions, Cheese & Pineapple on Sticks, Assorted Salad Leaves, Tomatoes, Sliced Peppers, Radishes, Cucumber & Crisps.

## **Option 'C' - Black Country Buffet @ £19.50 per guest**

White and Malted Wholemeal Sandwiches with Ham & Corned Beef  
Open Rolls and Soft Cobs with Egg Mayo & Cheese & Onion  
Pork Pie Wedges, Individual Sausage Rolls, Cocktail Pork Sausages, Succulent Chicken Wings  
Cheddar Cheese and Pineapple on Sticks, Black Pudding with Pickled Beetroot on Sticks  
Mushroom Vol au Vents, Vegetable Samosas, Onion Bhaji, Selection of Pickled Onions and Gherkins  
Black Country Scratchings & Assorted Crisps

## **Option 'D' - Barbeque Buffet @ £20.75 per guest (Courtyard Service available)**

Barbeque Chicken Drumsticks, Hot Wings, Marinated Pork Spare Ribs, Farmhouse Pork Sausages, Seasoned Jacket Potato Wedges, Chilli Con Carne, Grated Cheddar Cheese, Vegetarian Baked Quiches, Garlic bread Slices, Roasted Vegetable Chilli Skewers, Crunchy Coleslaw, Assorted Green Salad Leaves.

## **Option 'E' - Street Food (always served outdoors) @ £20.95 per guest**

We have a number of different outdoor options, in conjunction with our catering partners Oak Hog Roasts & Sticky Fig Catering, served in our central Courtyard, including wood fired Pizzas, Hog Roast, Salt Beef Brioche Rolls, Fish and Chips & Big Pan Paella's.  
Please give as much notice as possible if you are considering this option to ensure availability.  
(based on a minimum of 100 catered guests)

## **Option 'J' - Hot Pork or Beef Brisket Buffet @ £20.50 per guest (Courtyard Service available)**

Hand Carved Leg of Somerset Pork with Crackling, Sage & Onion Stuffing & Fresh Apple Sauce,  
Or Slow Cooked hand carved Brisket of Beef with Onions, Mustards & Mayo,  
served with 8" Sub Rolls, Seasoned Jacket Potato Wedges, Crunchy Coleslaw, Assorted Salad Leaves,  
Tomatoes & Peppers. Hot dogs for the children & Roasted Vegetable Chilli Skewers for Vegetarian Guests.

## **Option 'K' - Beef Burgers & Hot Dogs @ £19.50 per guest (Courtyard Service available)**

Sausage Hot Dogs & hand pressed 100% Beef Burgers, served in Soft Baps & Finger Rolls, Sautéed Sliced Onions, Cheese Slices, Seasoned Jacket Potato Wedges, Margarita Mini Pizzas & Warm local award winning Black Pudding, Richards home made Paprika Onion Rings. Accompanied by Iceberg Lettuce, Slices Tomatoes & Gherkins', Crunchy Coleslaw, Tomatoes & Peppers, Ketchup, Brown Sauce, BBQ Sauce & Mustard.

# Accommodation at Blakelands

In Addition to the Principal House Bedrooms, Blakelands has a further twelve en-suite rooms, all are individually themed and decorated. Rooms will, as a courtesy, be reserved for you until we see you eight weeks prior to your reception, when confirmation will be required. Rooms not required by the wedding party will in most cases remain empty.

*The Corbett Bridal Suite* named after Edward & Mary Corbett.

It was Edward Corbett, who in 1722 added the north wing including this suite, for his new bride Mary. The Bridal Suite features an 18th Century Hepplewhite Design Four Poster Bed, a lounge area, dressing room and splendid "Art Nouveau" bathroom with separate shower cubicle and large bath.

Also in Blakelands House, The Oak Room features Oak panelled walls & four poster bed, while the Cottage Room exhibits original features & fantastic countryside views. These three principal rooms including your choice of breakfast are included in your Wedding Package.

Breakfasts are served from 8.30am till 9.30am in The Lodge.

Check-in from 1.00pm and vacating by 10.30am the following day.

Double / Twin Room	£115.00	Rooms in the Stable & Lodge buildings
Single Room	£98.00	Any available room may be allocated for single occupancy
Family Room (Bolland Room & Tartan Room)	£135.00	Rooms will accommodate 2 adults & 2 children
Accommodation Bolt-On (see below)	£1380.00	Add the remaining 12 rooms to Your wedding account
Early Check In (subject to availability)	£29.00	Rooms can be made available from 10.30am
Full Cooked Breakfast Option (for all guests)	£165.00	Upgrade all your guests to full English Breakfast

**Regrettably, children, extra beds/cots or guests are not permitted to stay in Blakelands House Rooms, travel cots are permitted in the Painted & Eunson Rooms with prior agreement.**

Continental Breakfast is included in the room price. A hot menu including full English breakfast is available at an additional cost from **£4.95 to £8.00 per person**

## **Accommodation Bolt-On**

Pre book & ADD the 12 remaining bedrooms (upto 28 guests) to Your wedding account. This pre-booked Package includes your guest's choice of Continental or **Full Cooked breakfast**.

## **Pre-Wedding Night Accommodation**

Subject to availability, you may stay the night before your wedding, in this instance, the 1<sup>st</sup> room is chargeable at £350.00, & all additional rooms are charged at our standard rate shown above. Regrettably, overnight accommodation is unavailable on Monday and Tuesday Evenings.

# Prestige Weddings - Cost Calculator

Use our Costing sheet to work out the estimated cost of your *Prestige* Blakelands Reception.

**1. Venue Fee** Refer to page 5 £ \_\_\_\_\_

This charge also includes your Bridal Suite & the two further rooms in Blakelands House

**2. House Reception Drink** Refer to page 6 £ \_\_\_\_\_

Optional Extras – Canapés, Chocolates or Strawberries etc £ \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Main Course Selection** Refer to pages 7 to 10 £ \_\_\_\_\_

This main course price includes your choice of starters & desserts & coffee

**4. Drinks Package** Refer to page 11 £ \_\_\_\_\_

Choose from Package 1 or 2, and select your preferred glass size

Soft Drinks packages @ £6.95 also need to be added £ \_\_\_\_\_

Optional Extras - Upgrade to a Champagne Toast £ \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Evening Buffet / Supper** Refer to pages 12 & 13 £ \_\_\_\_\_

Optional Extras – as detailed on buffet pages £ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Charges:** £ \_\_\_\_\_

Other Charges – There may be other costs you need to consider such as the DJ or additional bedrooms, there may be additional charges for such items as special linen requests or chair covers.

Charge: \_\_\_\_\_ £ \_\_\_\_\_

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Charge: \_\_\_\_\_ £ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Charges:** £ \_\_\_\_\_

Please discuss with us if you have any reservations or worries about costing your reception, please do not be concerned of advising us that you have a budget to work to.

# Wedding Day Details

## ***Vintage Afternoon Tea***

Are you thinking of a lighter alternative to a full Wedding Breakfast? As part of the Prestige Options you may consider this as an alternative, please speak to us about the different options available.

## ***Church Ceremonies***

We would advise, that where possible, you arrange for your marriage ceremony to be performed around noon to 1.00pm at Church to allow ample time for your reception.

If you are considering a Church Wedding, we have several local churches. Holy Cross in Bobbington would love to hear from you. Originally dating from the 12th century, our church offers an intimate venue for couples to make their marriage vows & hold weddings every day of the week. You can contact the Parish Office on 01902 897700, Monday to Friday, 9.30am until 12.00.

Alternatively, you may like All Saints Church in Claverley & Holy Innocents Church at Tuck Hill, both just a few minutes drive from us, both offering services every day including Sundays.

You can contact the Revd. Garry Ward MA on 01746 710304 or email him at [garry@penfold.email](mailto:garry@penfold.email)

## ***Civil Wedding Ceremonies at Blakelands***

Ceremonies may take place in Blakelands House Central Hall, in our Victorian Barn, or, weather permitting, outdoors in the Bandstand, providing you with the opportunity of making your wedding vows in this delightful rural setting.

Extra guidance notes for Civil Ceremonies are at the rear of this package. We are unable to book registrars for you, you will need to contact our local Officers The Staffordshire Registration Service on 0300 1118001 to book your ceremony.

## ***Preparing For Your Day***

Our charges are for the use of Blakelands House & Gardens throughout your day. We also provide exclusive table menus, table numbers, and draft seating plans are available to assist with your planning.

Tables will be fully laid with your choice of white or ivory table cloths and napkins in your choice of colour. We also provide our silver cake knife & a choice of two antique Silver cake stands or Log Slice stand.

We also ask that you arrange to deliver all necessary items, such as place settings, favours, room decorations etc, to set up your wedding on the afternoon prior to your day. We will arrange a convenient time with you.

## ***Exclusivity Option***

Please be aware that whilst only One Wedding Reception will be held each day, giving you complete privacy, Our Fishing Lake will be open to anglers.

Subject to a minimum of 8 rooms, remaining rooms not required by the wedding party will not be made available to the general public, however, below this, any rooms not required will be made available for general booking, alternatively they can be closed for a fee of £25.00 per room & the lake can be closed to anglers for a fee of £100.00.

Please provide as much notice as possible if you may require these options.



# Wedding Day Details.....

## **Evening Only Reception**

Do you prefer a later ceremony with just one food service?

Our Venue Charges are based on having minimum numbers of Adult Guests as shown & the addition of: the serving of a Reception Drink, Main Meal, Wine Package & Evening Buffet as detailed.

To waive the Evening Buffet, an additional charge of £500.00 will apply to the venue charges.

Please be aware we do not allow outside caterers, & all catering must be provided by ourselves.

### Venue Fees for Evening Only Receptions:

Friday Receptions with Evening Buffet Only (min 80 guests) **£6550.00**

Saturdays Receptions with Evening Buffet Only (min 80 guests) **£8080.00**

Wednesday, Thursday & Sundays are charged at our normal venue fee

(Supper choices are not available with this Option)

## **Buffet Set-Up Charge**

If you wish to have a Buffet served as a replacement for the main meal, a £8.00 per person surcharge will apply to your buffet choice.

## **The Maltings Barn**

Our Victorian high beamed Barn is available for gatherings of **upto 120 seated guests** and **upto 200 guests** for an evening reception. Guests are seated on tables of upto 10, for which we will provide example table plans to assist you. This room has a private bar, adjoining Oasthouse Buffet Room, lounge seating areas & easy access toilet. For smaller gatherings, the room can be divided to provide a more intimate atmosphere, we are happy for you to arrange your own entertainment, alternatively we can provide a house DJ. Bars close at Midnight.

## **Reserving Your Date**

We initially reserve dates for two weeks, after doing so, you have the opportunity to revisit & discuss your options, costs & ideas with our management team whilst the date is held.

There is no obligation attached to this, the reserved date will simply be released should you not wish to proceed.

## **Confirming Your Booking**

To confirm your date, a non refundable deposit of £2000.00 is required with a second payment of £1000.00 six months prior to your date. In addition, we will contact you around 12 months before your date to update the information we take on booking. Then following a planning meeting with yourselves 8 weeks prior to your wedding, an interim account is prepared & 80% of the total cost will be due for payment six weeks prior. The final payment will be due 3 weeks before, after final numbers are received at 4 weeks.

## **Blakelands Gift Vouchers**

Gift Vouchers can be purchased for any value in denominations of £5, £10 & £20 and can be redeemed against any purchases at Blakelands, including as part payments for Wedding receptions.

The vouchers can make ideal presents, to You, when purchased by parents, friends or family or if purchased by yourselves as Wedding favours for your guests to redeem at the bar.

# Wedding Day Details.....

## **Guidance on VAT Charges & Prices**

Vat is Included in all our prices, at the rate of 20%. Any increases announced by the Treasury will be reflected in our prices, and we reserve the right to increase prices in this event.

We endeavour to hold all prices in this brochure however if economic circumstances dictate, we reserve the right to review & raise prices accordingly.

## **Visitor Safety**

We ask that, all guests are made aware, that whilst they have complete freedom to move around our gardens & grounds, that they take care & use caution. The gardens are in keeping with the Historic Country House setting and as such there are natural hazards that would occur in any garden that guests should be aware of. The gardens & grounds have some uneven paths, steps, slopes and areas of unrestricted open water.

Children, must at all times be kept under strict parental/adult supervision.

## **Visiting Blakelands & Making Appointments**

Our office is manned every day and we welcome your enquiry about any of the services Blakelands has to offer, however Blakelands is still a private home and as such prior to any viewing please contact us and make an appointment to ensure we are available to discuss your requirements, and allow access to the main house.

## **Wedding Suppliers Directory**

We have an extensive list of wedding suppliers that are ready & waiting to help you with your wedding plans, our wedding shopping directory on our website has direct links to florists, cake suppliers, wedding cars, photographers & many others all offering first class service for your wedding.

## **Directions**

20 minutes from the centres of Bridgnorth, Wolverhampton, Stourbridge and Telford. Blakelands can be found 4.5 miles from the main A449 at Himley, either south from Wolverhampton or north from Stourbridge, taking the B4176 towards Bridgnorth at Himley, following our brown tourism signs.

## **Blakelands is Open at the following times:**

Our Main Reception & Administration Office Times are:

9.30am – 3.30pm Mondays & Tuesdays  
9.30am – 7.00pm Wednesday to Saturday  
& Sunday Mornings 9.00am - 12.00 noon

A Full copy of our Terms And Conditions of Booking are available on request, including details of our cancellation policy.

# *Civil Ceremony Guidance:*

## **For those who wish to Marry on Approved Premises.**

1. As soon as a couple have made provisional arrangements for their marriage on approved premises they should be advised to contact the Superintendent Registrar for the district in which the premises are located.

The Registrar office, Civic Centre, Gravel Hill,

Wombourne, Nr Wolverhampton, WV5 9HB.

Telephone number 0300 1118001

2. Without the presence of this Superintendent Registrar and a Registrar, there can be no marriage and any arrangements for the use of the premises depend entirely on their availability. It is therefore, essential that the couple make an advance booking with this Superintendent Registrar for their attendance at their proposed marriage as soon as a booking can be accepted. A fee for this attendance will be payable in advance of the ceremony.

3. The Couple will also have to give a notice of marriage to the Superintendent Registrar(s) of the district(s) in which they live. This notice must be given in person by one of the couple but is valid for only twelve months. One of the couple should, therefore attend the Registrars office where they live as soon as possible after which notice can be given.

4. The couple should be warned that any arrangements made for a marriage to take place on the approved premises are dependant on:

a) The attendance of the Superintendent Registrar and the Registrar for the district in which the premises are situated; and

b) The issue of the authority or authorities for marriage by the Superintendent Registrar(s) to whom notice of marriage was given.

5. When notice is given in a different registration district from the one where the marriage is taking place, the couple will have to collect the authority before the ceremony and ensure that it is delivered to the Registrar who is to attend the ceremony.

6. The couple should be advised that only a civil, non-religious ceremony can be permitted by the Superintendent Registrar. Any music, reading, words or performance which form part of the ceremony must be secular. The content of the ceremony must be agreed in advance with the Superintendent Registrar who will be attending the ceremony.

7. Any rights of copyright for music, readings, etc. permitted at the ceremony are a matter for the couple and the holder of the approval.

8. Guest Beverages - The registrar has requested that no food or drink be served to, or consumed by guests in the Marriage Rooms prior to the ceremony

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