



ENGLISH HERITAGE
OSBORNE



Osborne is a golden-hued, sun-drenched dream of a seaside venue. Inside, stately rooms sparkle with stained glass, chandeliers and treasures from the Royal Collections while the restored 'Osborne yellow' terraces are awash with floral colour, and the well-tended walled garden is bursting with fruits and vegetables. Across the estate the leaves of ancient trees whisper in the breeze, and lush greenlawns roll down to the beach where the Solent gently laps at the shore.

With its versatility, storied past and stunning architecture, Osborne is utterly unique – a venue for weddings that will truly echo through the ages.

Osborne was the cherished island home of Queen Victoria and her beloved Prince Albert.

After meeting for the second time in October 1839 and were engaged five days later. Albert wrote 'Heaven has sent me an angel whose brightness shall illuminate my life', and it was at Osborne their marriage blossomed into one of the greatest royal love stories of all time.

Victoria commented that Osborne's 'combination of sea, trees, woods, flowers of all kinds, make it, to us, a perfect little paradise'. You and your guests will find that very little has changed.

Osborne has been graced by royal weddings and grand parties for over 160 years and when you celebrate your wedding here, you'll write another chapter in the fascinating story of this magnificent home.



OSBORNE HOUSE

The House

DURBAR ROOM

CEREMONY: 80 | DINING: 74/80

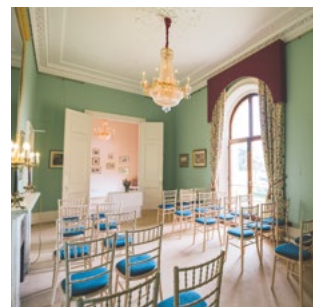
The stunning Durbar Room was built in 1890 as a state banqueting hall. Decorated to celebrate Queen Victoria becoming Empress of India and featured in film Victoria and Abdul, the elaborate banqueting table sits amidst a glittering collection of treasures given to Queen Victoria.



DUCHESS OF KENT SUITE

CEREMONY: 40 | DRINKS: 80 | DINING: 36

Used by George V and Queen Mary for their honeymoon, these lovely interlinked rooms look out over the terraces, ideal for small intimate celebrations, drinks receptions. This room may also be used in conjunction with the Victoria Hall.



VICTORIA HALL

CEREMONY: 120 | DRINKS: 150 | DINING: 100

The Victoria Hall, once Queen Victoria's private chapel, features beautifully arched windows overlooking the garden terraces. Exquisite stained glass decoration in the windows and the beautiful lighting are stunning features of the room. Alongside the Duchess of Kent Suite, the Orangery and the Garden Terraces, it's perfect for your wedding.



OSBORNE GARDENS

The Grounds

BELVEDERE TERRACE

CEREMONY: 50 | DRINKS: 50

The Belvedere Terrace is a beautiful, intimate outside wedding ceremony space with expansive views down Valley Walk to the Solent. Regularly used by Queen Victoria to take breakfast, why not tread in regal footsteps for your ceremony followed by Champagne & canapés on the garden terraces before enjoying a sumptuous wedding breakfast to truly feel like royalty.



WALLED GARDEN

CEREMONY: 100 | DRINKS: 100

One of the only remaining parts of the 18th-century gardens, this space is 3 degrees warmer than any other spot on the estate and was the ideal place for Prince Albert to grow his trees and shrubs alongside flowers for the house. Following on from your ceremony in this sun trap, you and your guests can toast to your future and sip cocktails amid the floral fragrances of trained Victorian fruit trees, roses and parma violets.



LOWER TERRACE

CEREMONY: 250 | DRINKS: 250

The Lower Terraces provide picture-perfect scenery for an open air wedding ceremony or drinks reception. During the summer months, you and your guests will be surrounded by flowers replicating the designs that Queen Victoria and Prince Albert would have walked amongst during their time together at Osborne. What better setting to start your new life?



DURBAR LAWN - MARQUEE

DINING: UP TO 2,500 | DRINKS: UP TO 2,500

For stylish celebrations on a grand scale, follow Princess Beatrice's lead with a marquee reception. You and your guests can enjoy stunning views of the estate while dining and dancing in this beautiful setting.



OSBORNE GARDENS

The Seaside

THE QUEEN'S ALCOVE, PRIVATE BEACH

CEREMONY: 60 Seated (plus 30 standing) | DRINKS: 90

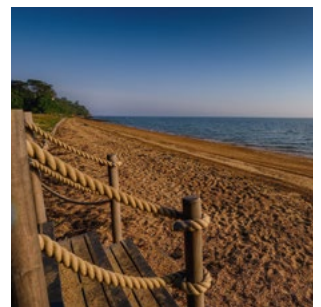
Built in 1869 and decorated in blue Minton tiles, Queen Victoria would often sit in this pretty alcove to sketch or write as she watched as her family enjoyed the sea air. The Queen's Alcove is a unique setting for a wedding ceremony, overlooking the much loved private beach. A marquee reception at the opposite end of the shore would be the perfect accompaniment to this informal and relaxed wedding location.



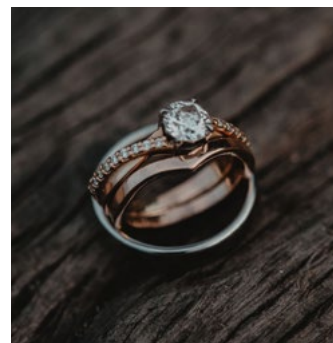
THE BEACH - MARQUEE

DINING: 150 | DRINKS: 250

With magnificent views across the Solent, it's easy to see why this charming sand and shingle beach was regularly frequented by Queen Victoria and the royal family. Say your vows in the Queen's Alcove before hosting your reception in a marquee for an informal and relaxed wedding location under the stars.



INTIMATE WEDDINGS



Our historic venues are perfect for intimate weddings. Things might be a little different at the moment, but after years of hosting wedding ceremonies, we know just how special it can be when you share your love with the people who matter most. We follow the latest guidelines to ensure all our venues are safe and secure so that you can celebrate in confidence.

Intimate weddings are the perfect way to create a personal and unforgettable experience. Say “I do” in the palatial holiday home of Queen Victoria and Prince Albert, surrounded by their famous love story and your closest family and friends.

THE OSBORNE INTIMATE WEDDING PACKAGE

£2,450 + VAT

This Package is Available 7 Days a Week and Includes;

- The hire of the Victoria Hall in the Mansion House for your ceremony for 2 hours
- Ceremony furniture including chairs and registrars tables
- Access to the gardens for photographs following your ceremony
- Dedicated Hospitality Events Co-ordinator to support you throughout your celebration.

All wedding ceremonies will be conducted in line with local and national advice. Please contact the Hospitality Team to discuss your ceremony plans – hospitality@english-heritage.org.uk

Terms & Conditions

English Heritage require a 50% non-refundable deposit at the contract stage with the full balance payable two months prior to the wedding date. Prices valid from 1st November 2020 - 31st March 2021. For any additional requirements, please discuss these with a member of our Hospitality team. Ceremonies are subject to Registrar availability.

ROOM CAPACITIES

ROOMS & CAPACITIES	Wedding Ceremony Seated	Dining	Drinks
Durbar Room	80	74/80	-
Duchess of Kent Suite	40	36	80
Victoria Hall	120	100	150
Belvedere Terrace	50 ^{***}	-	50
Walled Garden	100 ^{***}	-	100
Lower Terrace	250 ^{***}	-	250
Durbar Lawn	-	2,500 [*]	2,500 [*]
The Queen's Alcove	60 ^{**}	-	-
The Beach	-	150	250

*The Durbar Lawn can only be used for a marquee reception.

** An additional 30 guests can stand around the Queen's Alcove for your Wedding Ceremony.

*** In the case of bad weather for your outdoor event, the Exhibition Room can hold 100 guests.

CONDITIONS OF HIRE



As a unique historic building, we have worked closely with our conservation team to ensure we look after Osborne to the very highest standards for future generations. The following conditions have been designed to preserve the building and its contents.

CHILDREN

Children must be kept under adult supervision at all times and the responsibility lies with the parents / guardians whilst on site. A crèche must be provided by the event organiser if there are more than 10 children under 10 present at an event.

CONFETTI

Confetti is not permitted inside the house. Light-coloured undyed rose/flower petal confetti may be thrown outside.

DELIVERIES & COLLECTIONS

It may be possible to arrange for delivery of items the day before your wedding but this must be discussed and agreed with a member of the hospitality events team in advance. Our Hospitality events team will confirm arrival and collection times with your suppliers directly. Your suppliers will need to remove everything the same day. All other items, including cars, should be collected from Osborne by 10am on the morning following your wedding.

DRINKS

Drinks may be purchased from your caterer or supplied by yourself to your caterer, with no corkage charge. Please contact the hospitality team for further details. Your caterer must be responsible for alcohol service and may charge a service fee. Please note, red wine and port may only be served to seated guests via a waiter service for dinners in the Durbar Room.

DIRECTIONS

VENUE ADDRESS

Osborne, York Avenue, East Cowes, Isle of Wight PO32 6JX

BY CAR

Osborne is situated 1 mile south east of the centre of East Cowes on York Avenue, the A3021.
For sat nav use postcode PO32 6JT.

PARKING

Please park in the main visitor car park off York Avenue. Disabled parking is available towards the front of the car park, closest to the visitor centre.

BY TRAIN

There is a limited train service on the Island itself - Ryde Esplanade, the closest station to Osborne is 7 miles away. Guests from the mainland can take a train from London to Southampton Central where a dedicated shuttle bus will take them to the Red Funnel Ferry port. The Ferry docks at East Cowes, just 1.3 miles from Osborne.

BY BUS

Osborne is on routes 4 & 5 provided by Southern Vectis. Timetables may be found on www.islandbuses.info.

BY FERRY

The Isle of Wight is accessible by car ferry from Portsmouth, Southampton and Lymington. A fast passenger service is also available. For up to date information visit www.visitisleofwight.co.uk/travel/isle-of-wight-ferry. Discounts on ferry travel are available for you and your guests. Please ask us for more information.

BY HOVERCRAFT

The hovercraft runs from Portsmouth to Ryde.

DISCOUNTS

Please speak to the hospitality team about the discounts available for transport to the island.

ACCOMMODATION

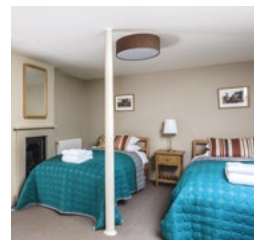
Nestled into the grounds of Osborne, our three on site holiday cottages are the ideal place to get ready before or unwind after your big day. Offering modern comforts and contemporary design, you'll receive a 10% discount when you stay on your wedding night.

NO.1 SOVEREIGNS'S GATE

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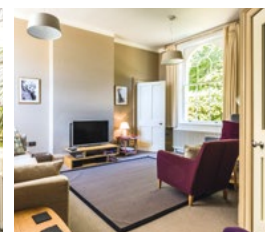
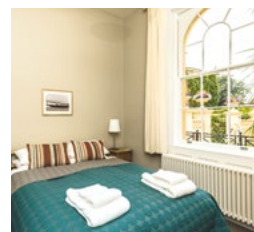


NO.2 SOVEREIGNS'S GATE

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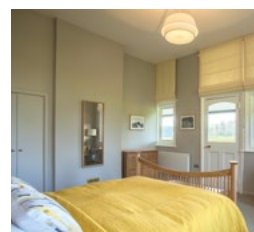


PAVILION COTTAGE

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SLEEPS 4 + COT



After your spectacular celebrations, escape to the past with a relaxing stay at one of our holiday cottages.

Each comfortable, well-equipped cottage is in the grounds of one of our historic places. So, when the crowds leave for the day, you and your partner will have the place all to yourself – from chocolate box gardens to sweeping lawns, and from rambling woods to medieval ramparts.



PENDENNIS CASTLE, CORNWALL

CALLIE'S COTTAGE – SLEEPS 4 | THE CUSTODIAN'S COTTAGE – SLEEPS 2

Enjoy captivating views of the rugged shoreline and one of Henry VIII's finest coastal fortresses.



ST MAWES CASTLE, CORNWALL

FORT HOUSE – SLEEPS 4

Step out onto the terrace from the dining room and enjoy spectacular views across the Fal Estuary.



WITLEY COURT & GARDENS, WORCESTERSHIRE

POOL HOUSE – SLEEPS 8

Discover the glorious rhododendron-lined paths that lead you to the ruined mansion – with its magnificent Perseus and Andromeda fountain.



CARISBROOKE CASTLE, ISLE OF WIGHT

THE BOWLING GREEN APARTMENT – SLEEPS 4

Walk along the ramparts at dusk and conjure up thoughts of the advancing Spanish Armada.



1066 BATTLEFIELD & ABBEY, EAST SUSSEX

SOUTH LODGE – SLEEPS 4

Wake up next to one of the most famous battlefields in history.



DOVER CASTLE, KENT

THE SERGEANT MAJOR'S HOUSE – SLEEPS 6

PEVERELL'S TOWER – SLEEPS 2

Stay in the grounds of Dover Castle and be captivated by hundreds of years of history.

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WALMER CASTLE & GARDENS, KENT
THE GREENHOUSE APARTMENT – SLEEPS 4
THE GARDEN COTTAGE – SLEEPS 4

Head to this coastal castle and discover its beautiful, picture-perfect gardens.



AUDLEY END HOUSE & GARDENS, ESSEX
CAMBRIDGE LODGE – SLEEPS 4

Watch the sunset from the grounds of this magnificent estate, which were designed in part by Lancelot 'Capability' Brown.



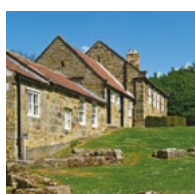
KIRBY HALL, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
PEACOCK COTTAGE – SLEEPS 4

Spend your evenings exploring the ruins of this once great house and the recently restored Great Garden.



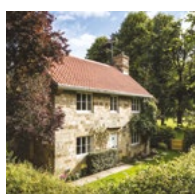
HARDWICK OLD HALL, DERBYSHIRE
EAST LODGE – SLEEPS 4

Discover more about one of the most formidable women in Elizabethan England, Bess of Hardwick.



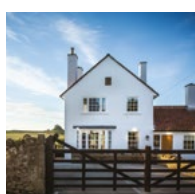
MOUNT GRACE PRIORY, NORTH YORKSHIRE
PRIOR'S LODGE – SLEEPS 4

Discover a beguiling arts and crafts garden and intriguing monastic ruins in a peaceful corner of the North York Moors.



RIEVAULX ABBEY, NORTH YORKSHIRE
REFECTORY COTTAGE – SLEEPS 4

Soak up the serenity inside the soaring ruins of what was once one of the wealthiest abbeys in the country.



LINDISFARNE PRIORY, NORTHUMBERLAND
COASTGUARD'S COTTAGE – SLEEPS 6

Cross the dramatic causeway to reach the tiny island of Lindisfarne on a journey that will stay in your memory forever.

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TESTIMONIALS

"We just wanted to say another huge thank you for helping to organise the best day of our lives. We're so happy we got to share it with you. It ran so incredibly smoothly and it was all because of you two."

Mr & Mrs Benson | June 2019

"It's nearly 3 weeks and we're still buzzing from the best day of our lives! Thank you SO SO much for just being incredible through the planning and the day itself – we know you did everything you could and more to make the wedding absolutely perfect – AND IT WAS!!"

Mr & Mrs Turner | May 2019

"Osborne House and their amazing staff helped to make our wedding day absolutely perfect. All of our guests were amazed with this truly special venue."

Mr & Mrs Hargreaves | November 2018

"We could not have chosen a more perfect setting for our wedding day than Osborne House. Absolutely a stunning house and gardens but with a real difference to any other venue we looked at with its unique position by the sea. The staff and Osborne along with all the suppliers truly made a day to remember. Thank you."

Mr & Mrs Orme | September 2018

"Osborne and all of its staff made our wedding day the dream we had always wished for. We can't thank you enough. The memories will be in our hearts for evermore."

Mr & Mrs Quinn | August 2018

ROOMS & GARDENS

