



A WEDDING THAT'S YOU



CONGRATULATIONS





YOUR BIG DAY

It's now time to start planning your big day and we are delighted that you are considering our venue to host your wedding. Getting married is such a special occasion and we know that choosing the right venue is just as important. Our hotel has a lot to offer and we're looking forward to ensuring that your day is truly your day, your way.

From your first visit to our hotel, our dedicated wedding planner will be on hand to assist you every step of the way. We are fully licensed to care for every part of your special day. Our uniquely characterful function suites allow us to tailor your wedding exactly how you dreamed it would be, while our attractive colourful grounds are the ideal spot for a drinks reception with your guests, and our gazebo makes the perfect picture backdrop.

We are well aware that not everyone has an open budget, yet want their guests to enjoy themselves. With this in mind our wedding coordinator will work closely with you in order to help you select the perfect package for your needs. With all our years of experience, we pride ourselves in offering the highest standard of service to ensure your day is run with perfection.

THE GREEN

From small and intimate affairs to the grand and lavish, we're proud that The Green is a stunning, adaptable space that can cater for both. Just let our experienced wedding coordinators know what will make your perfect day and let them take care of the rest.



PRIORY HELENA SUITE

The Priory Helena Suite is conveniently located on the ground floor of the hotel and can hold up to 100 guests for a sit down wedding meal and up to 150 for an informal buffet or evening reception. The room has plenty of natural daylight and can be partitioned across for smaller weddings and ceremonies. It also has an optional private bar and dance floor so you can continue your celebrations into the night.



CASTLE ABBEYGATE SUITE

For more intimate receptions the Castle Abbeygate Suite is the perfect choice and can hold up to 50 guests. Also located on the ground floor of the hotel, this fabulous suite has patio doors that open onto a grassed area which can be used if the weather permits. This room boasts plenty of natural daylight which allows your photographer to snap those picture perfect moments.

Photography courtesy of JRM Photography

TRADERS RESTAURANT

Trader's restaurant has a relaxed and informal feel with wood beam ceiling features. The restaurant can hold up to 50 guests for a sit down relaxed meal. It is located on the ground floor of the hotel with an outdoor terrace area and an adjoining children's play area.



TOGETHER

MRS + MRS & MR + MR

At Holiday Inn we welcome same sex marriages, and have wedding planners who specialise specifically in LGBT+ big days. They work closely with you to ensure that your day is as personal and unique as it can be, for a budget you're comfortable with. We have a number of wedding packages to choose from with lots of little personal extra options too.

CEREMONY ROOMS AVAILABLE

PRIORY HELENA SUITE

Max no. for ceremony 100

CASTLE ABBEYGATE SUITE

Max no. for ceremony 60

KEEPING IT CIVIL

Weddings are all about bringing people together for the whole day, from ceremony to reception. With that in mind, our hotels are licensed to host Civil Weddings and Civil Partnership ceremonies so you can spend the entire day at the same special venue.

Prices available on enquiry

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DIAMOND

50 DAY GUESTS
50 EVENING GUESTS

Photography courtesy of Rob Freeman Photography



- Informal host to ensure the smooth running of your day
- Exclusive use of function room
- Red carpet on arrival
- Canapés on arrival
- Glass of Bucks fizz on arrival
- Three-course wedding breakfast (set menu)
- Coffee or tea and mints
- Half bottle of wine per person
- Glass of sparkling wine for toast
- Cake stand with ceremonial sword
- Six item evening buffet
- Chair covers with coloured sash
- White table linen
- Attractive grounds for your wedding photographs
- Complimentary executive bedroom and breakfast for the happy couple

SAPPHIRE

50 DAY GUESTS
50 EVENING GUESTS

- Informal host to ensure the smooth running of your day
- Exclusive use of function room
- Red carpet on arrival
- Glass of Bucks fizz on arrival
- Three-course wedding breakfast (set menu)
- Coffee or tea and mints
- Glass of house wine with meal
- Glass of sparkling wine for toast
- Cake stand with ceremonial sword
- Six item buffet
- White chair covers with coloured sashes
- White table linen
- Attractive grounds for your wedding photographs
- Complimentary bedroom with breakfast for the happy couple

RUBY

35 DAY GUESTS
35 EVENING GUESTS

- Informal host to ensure the smooth running of your day
- Exclusive use of a function room
- Red carpet on arrival
- Glass of Bucks fizz on arrival
- Three-course wedding meal (set menu)
- Coffee or tea and mints
- Cake stand with ceremonial sword
- Five item evening buffet
- White table linen
- Attractive grounds for your wedding photographs
- Complimentary accommodation with breakfast for the happy couple





BESPOKE PACKAGES

We understand that your wedding day is unique and while we pride ourselves on the packages we offer, should you wish to create something truly bespoke, we're happy to oblige. Simply speak with your Holiday Inn wedding planner who will be happy to discuss your requirements further to come up with your dream day!

FLOURISH

Photography courtesy of Zinazees Photography



FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS

Flowers play an important part in any wedding; they set the tone for a celebration, carry your chosen theme and help create a beautiful setting. For many couples, knowing where to start when it comes to choosing your wedding flowers can be difficult so, before you head out for your first florist consultation, speak with our wedding planner for advice and local florist recommendations.

BALLOONS AND CHAIR COVERS

It's often the little things that make your wedding unique which is why we offer the flexibility to add your own creative touch to your day. For example, add colour and texture to your wedding décor with bold and beautiful paper flowers available in assorted sizes. Just ask your Holiday Inn wedding planner how we can make your day that little bit more you.



Top; photography courtesy of David Webb North East Wedding Photographer

Bottom; photography courtesy of S Howard Photography Ltd

SOMETHING SPECIAL

Start the celebrations early with one of our fantastic dining options!

- Enjoy a sumptuous rehearsal dinner
- Relax with a chilled out afternoon tea
- Get ready with a bridal brunch
- Create your own bespoke option

Prices available on enquiry.



LATE NIGHT SNACKS

For those hanging on till the end, give you and your guests an extra treat!

- Bacon rolls
- Hot dogs
- Chips

Prices available on enquiry



FOOD FOR THOUGHT

WEDDING BREAKFAST MENU

Our Head Chef has designed a wide selection of menus for you to choose from. So, let us tantalise your taste buds with the two sample options below which can either be taken as a set menu or mixed and matched to make your very own bespoke menu.

MENU ONE

- Prawn and brown shrimp cocktail, pickled cucumber and sourdough
- Mushroom stuffed loin of pork, celeriac dauphinoise, chunky tomato, vegetable sauce
- Chocolate and orange tart, salted caramel ice-cream

CHILDREN'S PACKAGE

Childrens menu available. Served with unlimited blackcurrant or orange squash during the wedding breakfast.

EVENING BUFFET

Choose from a selection of:

- Cod and parsley fishcakes
- Sweet chorizo skewers, chimichurri mayonnaise
- Chicken yakitori, Korean BBQ sauce
- Spiced chicken burrito, rainbow slaw
- Selection of open and closed sandwiches
- Pork sausage rolls
- Vegetarian chilli dog - V
- Hot dog with caramelised onions
- Mini eclairs
- Lemon meringue pie

Midnight snacks also available

Bespoke menus also available to include BBQs, afternoon teas, wedding brunches plus many more. Please ask your coordinator for further details

We have other packages to meet your dietary needs including vegan and gluten free options, available on request.

MENU TWO

- Roasted tomato and lemongrass soup, parmesan and sesame wafers
- Roast beef, champ potato, roasted vegetables, mushroom sauce
- Baked apple tart, gingerbread crumb, lemon sorbet

ADDITIONAL EXTRAS

Make your day even more special with our fantastic drinks options, upgrade your current package with any of the below:

- Glass of Prosecco
- Glass of Champagne
- Bottled beer
- Bottled cider
- Glass of house red/white/rose wine
- Bottled J20's
- Selection of soft drinks (based on a serving for 8 people)
- Gin & Tonic
- Seasonal cocktails
- Bailey's night cap
- Selection of hot drinks

RESIDE





STAY THE NIGHT

We understand that when you're celebrating a wedding, you never want the day to end. That's why we're delighted to offer you block reservations and preferential room rates for your guests from just £89 bed and breakfast, based on one or two adults sharing a room on the night of your wedding. The rate includes car parking, use of the leisure facilities and full English breakfast the following morning.

At Holiday Inn Colchester, we have 110 rooms ranging from our bright and airy standard double and twin guest rooms with en-suite, tv and free Wi-Fi to our vibrant executive rooms. We try to anticipate everything to make sure your stay with us goes as smoothly as possible, from the practical things like an ironing board and tea and coffee facilities in every room, to special touches like the bathrobes, slippers and luxury toiletries found in our executive rooms.

RELAX AND UNWIND

With our health and fitness facilities located at the hotel, there's no better way to get in shape for your big day. We offer a relaxed, friendly atmosphere as well as the latest equipment and personal training advice. Of course, if you need a little well deserved break from your wedding preparations, you can let your stresses float away in our pool, or lie back and relax in our jacuzzi, sauna or steam room.

Our fitness club also offers a variety of classes such as yoga, aquafit and pilates as well as a range of treatments and services including a full body massage, personal training and even dietary analysis.



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