



Your Christmas Celebration

The Old Kent Barn's Christmas Experiences



Christmas at The Old Kent Barn

Just outside Canterbury, The Old Kent Barn offers a private setting for everyone to come together this December.

With exclusive use of the barns and illuminated landscaped grounds, the space is yours for the evening, giving you the freedom to shape the celebration around your plans - from a three-course dinner to an evening of dancing.

The setting feels tucked away, while still being an easy journey for you and your guests.

Our festive menus are created by Head Chef, James Crank, with seasonal dishes designed for celebrating together.

“Food and drink excellent. The Staff are all superb. All are very friendly, polite, efficient, well trained team and really care about making sure that everyone has a good time.”



Event Space

The New Barn is a spacious, open-plan setting designed to keep your celebration flowing from arrival through to the dance floor.

With space for dining, a central bar and room for entertainment, everything happens in one setting, keeping your guests together throughout the celebration.

At Christmas, the barn is dressed for the season with twinkling lights, festive garlands and real alpine fir trees, with the illuminated gardens creating a warm welcome as your guests arrive.

What's Always Included

Exclusive use of The Old Kent Barn

Festive seasonal styling, including real fir trees & garlands

Dedicated Event Coordinator & experienced team

Access to your Planning Portal

Day-before access for pre-drop of décor, prizes & more

Full event set-up & pack-down

Hosted experience

Table settings, including glassware, cutlery, napkins & festive centrepieces

In-house accessories, including easels, table numbers & more

AV equipment, including TV screen & wireless microphones

Fully licensed bar

On-site parking

View the space remotely [here](#)



Choose Your Christmas Experience

With all the essentials already taken care of, you can simply choose how you'd like to celebrate.

We've created three Christmas Experiences, each bringing together different food, drinks and entertainment.

If you have something a little different in mind, just let us know.
We'll be happy to talk through the options.

Experience One

A Christmas celebration with everything you need for an evening together.

Glass of fizz on arrival
Three-course festive meal
Wines with your meal
Tea & coffee

£95 per guest (VAT included)

Minimum 75 guests or a minimum spend of £7,125.

[Explore our Christmas Experiences here](#)



Experience Two

Everything included in Experience One, with a few extra festive touches.

Fizz & mulled wine on arrival

Festive canapés

Three-course festive meal

Wines, beers, ciders & soft drinks with your meal

Tea & coffee

DJ

£115 per guest (VAT included)

Minimum 75 guests or a minimum spend of £8,625.

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Experience Three

Our most inclusive Christmas Experience.

Fizz, mulled wine & espresso martini tower on arrival

Festive canapés

Three-course festive meal

Wines, beers, ciders & soft drinks with your meal

Tea & coffee

Live band

Photobooth

£150 per guest (VAT included)

Minimum 75 guests or a minimum spend of £11,250.

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Example Event Timeline

Every celebration is a little different, so we'll work with you to create a timeline around your plans. Here's an example of how an evening could flow.

- 6:00pm – Arrival with welcome drinks
- 6:30pm - Festive canapés
- 7:00pm - Three-course festive meal
- 9:00pm - Speeches, awards or quiz
- 9:30pm - DJ / live entertainment & dancing
- 12:00am - Event finishes

We'll work with you to tailor the timings around your plans.



Festive Menu

Our festive three-course menu has been created by Head Chef James Crank, with a selection of starters, mains and desserts to choose from.

Ahead of your celebration, you'll choose a selection of dishes to offer your guests, before gathering everyone's individual choices.

Don't worry, we'll give you all the planning resources you need to make your menu selections and gather your guests' choices along the way.

Everything is prepared by our in-house kitchen team and served to your guests at the table.

[VIEW THE FESTIVE MENU](#)





The Drinks

Depending on your chosen Christmas Experience, a selection of drinks will already be included for your arrival and with your meal.

If you'd like to add anything extra, drinks can be pre-ordered and ready for your guests, from an additional arrival drink to wines, beers and soft drinks for the table.

Our fully licensed bar will also be open throughout your celebration, with the option to run a bar tab, offer drinks tokens or let guests purchase their own drinks.

View the menu here

You'll also find a wonderful selection of festive favourites and soft drinks to choose from.



Entertainment

Whether you're planning a DJ, live band, photobooth or something a little different, there are plenty of ways to make the evening your own.

Depending on your chosen Christmas Experience, entertainment may already be included. You're also very welcome to arrange your own suppliers.

Need a little inspiration?

We have a recommended suppliers directory with DJs, bands, photobooths and more to help with your planning.

We'll liaise with your chosen suppliers prior to your event ensuring a smooth event delivery.

Planning speeches or awards?

We have AV equipment on-site, including a TV screen and wireless microphones, and our team can help host parts of the evening too.



Organise It. Then Enjoy It.

The best part about organising your Christmas celebration should be enjoying it too.

From the moment you book, you'll have your own dedicated Event Coordinator and access to your Planning Portal, with everything you need to keep your plans in one place.

We'll guide you through menu choices, guest information, timings and all the details along the way. You can also drop off decorations, prizes or gifts before your event, and we'll have everything set up ready for your arrival.

On the day, we'll be there throughout to keep everything running smoothly, from welcoming your guests to helping with speeches, awards or hosting parts of the evening.

And once the celebration is over, we'll take care of the pack-down too.

Stay - Rest - Sleep

You have the option to add accommodation stays to your booking.

5 double en-suite rooms available

Room rates are from £170 per room, including breakfast*.

Check-in from 3pm and check out by 11am the following day.

Find out more about accommodation here.

Explore further local accommodation here

*2026 prices



Securing Your Event Date

Once you've found a date that feels right, we'll send over our Terms of Business and everything you need to secure your booking.

A booking payment of £1,200 or £2,200, depending on your chosen Experience, is required to secure your date. From there, the planning can begin.

We'll be in touch throughout, helping you bring together everything from your menu and guest details to timings.

Around 30 days before your celebration, we'll confirm your final guest numbers, menu choices and dietary requirements, before your remaining balance is due.





Let's Talk!

If you'd like to explore your Christmas celebration with us a little further, we'd love to chat through your plans.

Online Consultation

Book an online consultation and we'll talk through your plans, answer any questions and explore the options together.

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Visit The Barn

Visit The Old Kent Barn, explore the space and chat through your ideas with the team.

Book a Viewing