



THE CONNAUGHT  
HOTEL & SPA



*Your dream wedding, our stunning venue,  
the perfect day*



## *Your perfect location*

The Connaught Hotel and Spa is a stunning four star hotel, built in 1850. Perfectly perched on Bournemouth's West Cliff, just a few minutes' walk from the beach.

The Connaught provides the perfect backdrop, full of hidden delights inside for unique photo opportunities. Plus, there's enough room to have every part of your day in a separate space, all in one location!





*Gorgeous photos all year round...*





### *Stunning ceremonies*

Say "I do" in your choice of three stunning rooms for your ceremony. Alternatively, choose our beautiful garden right in front of our famous beach hut, nestled between two palm trees. We are one of the few hotels in Bournemouth fully licensed for both indoor and outdoor weddings.

For large weddings of up to 120 guests, choose the contemporary Connaught Brasserie for a fun and bright room. The Franklyn Suite is a neutral room you can make your own, for up to 90 guests. Whilst Blakes enjoys stunning high ceilings and crystal chandeliers, seating up to 60 guests.





### *Please be seated*

Your wedding reception can take place in your choice of two suites, each with their own private bar and direct access onto a courtyard, for up to 120 guests.

Our talented team of 2 AA Rosette, award-winning chefs are truly passionate about using the finest and freshest ingredients. Specially designed menus provide you with a range of options, however, our chefs will be happy to tailor a bespoke menu and of course cater for any special dietary requirements.

For an “exclusively yours” wedding, book The Connaught Lodge; a separate building adjacent to the main hotel. You’ll benefit from complete privacy with all 28 bedrooms and The Franklyn Suite all to yourselves!



### *At your service*

It doesn't matter how many weddings we host – we believe that every wedding day should be as individual as the wedding couple!

From your first visit to your big day, you'll be in the safe hands of our expert wedding team, who have worked on over 500 weddings in the last 10 years alone. We'll give you all the support you need to make sure your day runs like clockwork. Leaving you to enjoy every blissful moment.

## *Stay the night*

Our boutique hotel offers 81 stylishly appointed bedrooms for travelling friends and family, at a specially discounted room rate.

Guests staying overnight will enjoy free use of our luxury Bluewater Spa, which includes an 18m heated indoor swimming pool, Jacuzzi, sauna, steam room and fully equipped gym. Giving you and your guests the chance for plenty of pampering and relaxation.

It's nothing but the best for the newlyweds on your wedding night – you'll get a complimentary stay in one of our unique suites when booking a wedding breakfast for 50 or more.





# THE CONNAUGHT

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### WEDDING PRICING, PACKAGES AND MENUS

*Your dream wedding, our stunning venue, an unforgettable day*

**Build your own dream wedding day with us:**

- Choose one of our wedding breakfast packages, ceremony and reception options
- Pick our all-inclusive wedding package, including everything you need for your special day
  - Add some little extras to personalise your day





## Tailor-Made Wedding Ceremonies

From intimate gatherings to larger weddings of up to 120 guests, The Connaught Hotel and Spa has a variety of rooms, perfect for you to say “I do”. Our expert wedding team will be delighted to show you our ceremony spaces during your visit and recommend the most suitable room for you.

We are thrilled to be one of the few hotels in Bournemouth to be licensed for outdoor weddings. Whilst we can't control the inclement weather, if you book the Courtyard Garden we will be happy to reserve Blakes as a wet weather option for you.

The following room charges will apply for your ceremony (unless you choose our all-inclusive wedding package).

	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Sunday-Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday and Bank Holiday Sunday</b>
Blakes	40-60	£350	£400	£500
Courtyard Garden	40-120	£350	£400	£500
Franklyn Suite	50-90	£450	£500	£600
Brasserie	50-120	£600	£650	£750

# Wedding Breakfast Packages

At The Connaught Hotel and Spa, we do not believe one package fits all, so we would love to help you create your dream day. Choose from our mouth-watering packages which have been created with the help of our talented Head Chef. All of our packages include Chiavari chairs and your choice of coloured napkins from the hotel selection. If you'd like to add any little extras, take a look at our Dressed To Impress Ceremony Decoration Package and our Finishing Touches page.

		2024	2025	2026	
<b>CLASSIC</b>	Drinks Reception	Glass of Buck's Fizz or orange juice	£70 pp	£75 pp	£80 pp
	Wedding Breakfast	Three course set menu			
	Wine	A glass of wine with the meal			
	Toast Drink	A glass of sparkling wine			
<b>GRAND</b>	Drinks Reception	Glass of Pimm's, bottled beer or orange juice	£85 pp	£90 pp	£95 pp
	Wedding Breakfast	Three course choice menu			
	Wine	Half a bottle of wine			
	Toast Drink	A glass of sparkling wine			
	Little Extras	Printed place cards, table plans and menus			
<b>LUXURY</b>	Drinks Reception	Two glasses of Pimm's, bottled beer or homemade lemonade	£100 pp	£105 pp	£110 pp
	Canapés	Four canapés			
	Wedding Breakfast	Three course choice menu			
	Wine	Half a bottle of wine			
	Toast Drink	A glass of prosecco			
Little Extras	Printed place cards, table plans and menus				
<b>INDULGENT</b>	Drinks Reception	Gin and tonic station, bottled beer or homemade lemonade (unlimited for 90mins)	£115 pp	£120 pp	£125 pp
	Canapés	Six canapés			
	Wedding Breakfast	Four course choice menu			
	Wine	Half a bottle of wine			
	Toast Drink	A glass of champagne			
Little Extras	Printed place cards, table plans and menus				

All rates quoted are per person and for your wedding breakfast only

# Classic Package

£70  
per person\*

## DRINKS RECEPTION

A glass of Bucks Fizz or orange juice

## STARTER

Slow cooked ham hock and leek tartlet, parmesan, pea purée, mixed leaves

Leek and potato soup (v)

Confit tomato, mozzarella, rocket, balsamic vinegar (v)

## MAIN

Roasted chicken breast, wild mushroom, potato fondant, savoy cabbage, Madeira sauce

Pork loin, black pudding, creamed potato, savoy cabbage and apple jus

Roast butternut squash and garden pea risotto, parmesan crisp (v)

## DESSERT

Lemon posset, mixed berry compôte and short bread biscuit

Triple chocolate brownie, vanilla ice cream

Sticky toffee pudding, clotted cream ice cream

## WHITE WINE

House

## RED WINE

House

## TOAST DRINK

Sparkling wine

Select one starter, main and dessert which will be served to all guests, special diets will be catered for separately.

\* £75 from 2025 and £80 from 2026

# Grand Package

£85

per person\*

## DRINKS RECEPTION

A glass of Pimm's, bottled beer or orange juice

## STARTER

Ham hock terrine, piccalilli, crostini, watercress

Scorched cured mackerel, salt baked heritage beetroot, chilli and chocolate tuile

Duck terrine, celeriac remoulade, golden raisin purée, radish and toasted walnut bread

Mozzarella, heirloom tomato, olive crumb, salsa verde (v)

## MAIN

Three-hour braised lamb shank, creamy mashed potato, green beans, lamb jus

Grilled salmon fillet, sauteed new potatoes, courgette, tomatoes, mussel velouté

Braised feather blade beef, smoked mash potato, green beans, toasted almonds and red wine jus

Aubergine, Provençale vegetables, crispy tofu, artichoke (v)

## DESSERT

Passion fruit cheesecake, mango and chilli salsa

Dark chocolate torte, dark rum caramel, chocolate sorbet

Strawberry mousse, macarange and mint chocolate crumb

Cherry Bakewell, cherry purée, amaretto crumb and vanilla ice cream

## WHITE WINE

Sauvignon Blanc  
or Pinot Grigio

## RED WINE

Merlot  
or Shiraz

## TOAST DRINK

Sparkling wine

Select two starters, mains and desserts. Please note - you will be required to give the hotel a pre-order for all guests when you give your final details. Special diets will be catered for separately. Select one red and white wine to accompany your wedding breakfast. It is not possible to guarantee continuity of all wines, if we are unable to supply them we will provide a suitable alternative.

\* £90 from 2025 and £95 from 2026.

# Luxury Package

£100

per person\*

## DRINKS RECEPTION

Two glasses of Pimm's, bottled beers or homemade lemonade

## CANAPÉS (Select four options)

Smoked chicken tartlet with mango and chilli salsa | Beetroot and horseradish en croûte (v) | Tempura king prawns with sweet chilli dipping sauce | Smoked salmon and cream cheese mousse on blinis | Duck spring roll with hoisin sauce | Vegetable spring roll with sweet chilli dipping sauce (v) | Parma ham wrapped asparagus | Smoked duck breast with plum purée

## STARTER

Crab cake, fennel salad, chilli mango salsa  
Chicken liver parfait, seasonal chutney, lamb's lettuce, brioche  
Prawn cocktail, Marie rose, baby gem lettuce, avocado purée and crispy capers  
Mushroom ravioli, caramelised onion, spinach, cep purée (v)

## MAIN

Lamb cutlets, peas, carrots, minted pearl barley  
Halibut, courgette, tomato, mussel velouté, caviar  
Pork tenderloin, pork belly croquette, tender stem broccoli and cider jus  
Butternut squash risotto, beetroot, goat's cheese, pine nut dressing (v)

## DESSERT

White chocolate cheesecake, dark chocolate glaze, texture of raspberries  
Rhubarb and custard panna cotta, poached rhubarb and granola  
Lemon parfait, lemon curd and macarange  
Warm Dorset apple cake, salted cream ice cream and apple purée

## WHITE WINE

Pinot Grigio  
or Chardonnay

## RED WINE

Shiraz  
or Malbec

## TOAST DRINK

Romeo Prosecco Spumante

Select two starters, mains and desserts, Please note - you will be required to give the hotel a pre-order for all guests when you give your final details. Special diets will be catered for separately. Select one red and white wine to accompany your wedding breakfast. It is not possible to guarantee continuity of all wines, if we are unable to supply them we will provide a suitable alternative of equal value.

\*£105 from 2025 and £110 from 2026.

# Indulgent Package

£115

per person\*

## DRINKS RECEPTION

Unlimited gin and tonic station, bottled beers or homemade lemonade  
90 minutes unlimited drinks, gins from the gin selection listed

## CANAPÉS (Select six options)

Smoked chicken tartlet with mango and chilli salsa | Beetroot and horseradish en croûte (v) | Tempura king prawns with sweet chilli dipping sauce | Smoked salmon and cream cheese mousse on blinis | Duck spring roll with hoisin sauce | Vegetable spring roll with sweet chilli dipping sauce (v) | Parma ham wrapped asparagus | | Smoked duck breast with plum purée

## STARTER

Smoked haddock filo tartlet, tomato, basil, cos lettuce  
Crispy duck egg, mushroom broth, onion purée, crispy shallots, wild mushrooms (v)  
Antipasti board - selection of cured meats, sour dough, olives, tomatoes, balsamic olives, vegetable crisps

## MAIN

Beef Wellington, truffle creamed potato, roasted root vegetables  
Gressingham duck breast, sweet potato fondant, baby turnip, tender stem broccoli, ginger and orange purée  
Halibut, prawn gnocchi, bisque, cauliflower  
Butternut squash and artichoke ravioli, butternut velouté, chard artichoke

## DESSERT

Whisked dark chocolate mousse, whipped cream and popping candy  
Lemon crème fraiche roulade, basil, blackberry  
Coffee cheesecake, Baileys ice cream, chocolate soil  
Compressed apple and honey slice, hobnob crumb, whisky burnt custard

Choose an  
amuse bouche  
or a palate  
cleanser with  
this package

## WHITE WINE

Chardonnay  
or Viognier

## RED WINE

Pinot Noir  
or Malbec

## TOAST DRINK

House champagne

Select two starters, mains and desserts. Please note - you will be required to give the hotel a pre-order for all guests when you give your final details. Special diets will be catered for separately. Select one red and white wine to accompany your wedding breakfast. It is not possible to guarantee continuity of all wines, if we are unable to supply them we will provide a suitable alternative of equal value.

\*£120 from 2025 and £125 from 2026

# Children

£25  
per child\*

(2-12 years)

We have created a tasty menu especially for children, including a reception drink, three course wedding breakfast and their own special toast drink

## DRINKS

Fruit juice for the drinks reception and wedding breakfast, sparkling apple for the toast

## MENU

Crudités platter carrots, cucumber, celery sticks, yoghurt sauce  
Homemade garlic bread

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Chicken goujons, skinny fries and beans  
Fish fingers, skinny fries and beans  
Pasta, tomato sauce and grated cheese  
Sausages and mash, peas, gravy

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Chocolate brownie, vanilla ice cream  
Fruit salad  
Ice cream

\* £30 per child from 2025

# Wedding Bliss Package

All-inclusive  
weddings from  
**£4,795**

Our all-inclusive package has everything you need for your big day, including 50 guests for your ceremony and wedding breakfast, and 70 guests for the evening reception (with the option of up to 120 guests for an additional cost). Plus, overnight accommodation for the wedding couple.

CEREMONY	Ceremony in Blakes or the Courtyard Garden
DRINKS RECEPTION	A glass of Bucks Fizz or orange juice
WEDDING BREAKFAST	Three course set menu from our classic menu
WINE	One glass of wine per person
TOAST DRINK	A chilled glass of sparkling wine
LITTLE EXTRAS	Chiavari chairs, coloured napkins from the hotel selection, printed place cards, table plans and menus
EVENING RECEPTION	Your choice of street bowl food for 70 guests
DISCO	Disco and DJ until midnight

	Sunday - Thursday			Friday			Saturday and Bank Holiday Sunday		
	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026
<b>May-Oct</b>	£5,095	£5,595	£6,095	£5,495	£5,995	£6,495	£5,895	£6,395	£6,895
<b>Nov-Apr</b>	£4,795	£5,295	£5,795	£5,195	£5,695	£6,195	£5,595	£6,095	£6,595

**Additional wedding breakfast guests from £70pp (£75 from 2025 & £80 from 2026)**

**Additional evening guests £23pp (£26 from 2025 & £29 from 2026)**

Children's package available for £25 per child (£30 from 2025)

## UPGRADE YOUR PACKAGE

Add our Dressed To Impress Ceremony Decoration Package for just £650 | Choose the Brasserie for your ceremony for an additional £450 | Upgrade your menus to the Grand, Luxury or Indulgent options for increments of £15 per person between each package.

Please note a minimum of six Lodge bedrooms must also be booked with your wedding, prices will be confirmed at the time of booking.



# Evening Reception

A late-night snack is always needed towards the end of a busy wedding day, our evening options not only taste amazing but look fantastic too!

## STREET BOWL FOOD

Select one of the following cuisines for your guests to enjoy

### *Best of British*

Battered fish goujons with chips and tartare sauce,  
bacon baps, mini pies

### *Taste of America*

Burgers with smoked bacon, cheese and chutney,  
hotdogs with cheese, tomato and fresh chilli

### *Latin Lovers*

Chicken and chorizo empanadas,  
chilli bean tacos and guacamole

### *Around the Mediterranean*

Chef's pizza selection,  
grilled halloumi wraps with Greek salad

## PICNIC BASKET

Selection of finger sandwiches, cured meats and cheeses, with pork pies, sausage rolls,  
quiches, chutney, bread and crackers

## SALAD

Add a salad selection to accompany any evening food option (select three)

Mixed leaf salad | Creamy coleslaw | Charred corn, tomato and basil | Mediterranean rice salad |  
Penne pasta, pesto and rocket | Rocket, parmesan, radicchio and aged balsamic | Jewelled cous  
cous, sultanas and garden herbs | Tabbouleh and bulgur wheat salad | Caesar salad, Caesar dressing  
and parmesan | New potato salad, lemon and olive oil dressing, flat leaf parsley | Asparagus, garden  
pea and baby gem leaf salad, citrus dressing | Quinoa, feta and charred tender stem broccoli salad

	2024	2025	2026
Street Bowl Food	£26 pp	£29 pp	£32 pp
Picnic Basket	£29 pp	£32 pp	£35 pp
Salad (add on)	£5 pp	£5 pp	£5 pp

All evening food can be tailored to suit vegetarians and other special diets, please ask your wedding manager for details. Please note - we do not offer evening receptions without catering.

# Finishing Touches

## ENHANCE YOUR MEAL

Amouse-bouche or palate cleanser included in the Indulgent package

### Amouse-bouche £3.50

Celeriac cream, hazelnut apple, truffle | Butternut squash velouté, goats cheese, beetroot, pine nut | Mushroom espuma, thyme croutons

### Palate cleanser £3.50

Pink prosecco sorbet, champagne | Apple and tarragon sorbet, cider | Passion fruit sorbet, Malibu | Lemon sorbet, gin and tonic

### Canapés £14

Smoked chicken tartlet with mango and chilli salsa | Beetroot and horseradish en croûte (v) | Tempura king prawns with sweet chilli dipping sauce | Smoked salmon and cream cheese mousse on blinis | Duck spring roll with hoisin sauce | Vegetable spring roll with sweet chilli dipping sauce (v) | Parma ham wrapped asparagus | Smoked duck breast with plum purée (*choose 4 or add £3.50 per person for an additional choice*)

### Cheese plate £9.50

Somerset brie | Barber's 1833 vintage reserve cheddar | Dorset blue vinney  
Red grapes, quince jelly, accompanied by Fudge's biscuits and homemade chutney

### ADDITIONAL DRINKS

House wine from £24 per bottle  
Prosecco from £30 per bottle

House champagne from £50 per bottle  
Jug of orange juice from £7.50

### CHEESE TOWER £300

Somerset brie | Black cow cheddar | Barber's 1833 Vintage Reserve cheddar | Charcoal cheese | Dorset Blue Vinney | Red Leicester, decorated with red grapes, quince jelly, accompanied by Fudge's biscuits and homemade chutney

### LATE NIGHT MUNCHIES £4.95 pp

Choose from Bacon or field mushroom baps | Potato shells with cheese | Cheese mirror

### FOR THOSE EXTRA SPECIAL FINISHING TOUCHES

DISCO from £450  
MIRROR PHOTOBOOTH from £450  
WHITE AISLE RUNNER £80

CHIAVARI SASHES £2 per person  
SWEET TABLE £2.50 per person  
WHITE CARD POST BOX £40

# *Dressed to Impress Ceremony Decoration Package*

£650

We know our weddings love to have the picture-perfect ceremony, so we have put together our most popular decorations in one simple and stress-free package, to give your ceremony the wow factor and make sure it is dressed to impress.

## **Our package includes:**

2 x large cherry blossom trees, either side of the ceremony table

2 x medium cherry blossom trees, on the entrance to the room

White aisle carpet runner

Luxury aisle lanterns with LED candles

White vintage post box

White chiffon Chiavari chair sashes and silver buckles

Please get in touch with our Wedding Co-ordinator if you have any questions or would like to find out more about this package.



# *Need to know*

## **RESERVING THE DATE AND DEPOSITS**

Should you find the perfect date for your big day at The Connaught Hotel and Spa, we will hold this date in your name free of charge for up to 14 days (subject to availability). During this time, we recommend you contact the Registry Office to confirm your Civil Ceremony time slot or contact your chosen ceremony venue to confirm their availability.

To confirm your booking, we will require a non-refundable deposit of £750. Six months prior to the wedding day we will require 50% of your total price. Final details are required six weeks before the day, with the final balance payable four weeks prior to the wedding date.

## **BEDROOMS**

We can offer you up to 12 rooms at a discounted price if your wedding is on a Saturday or bank holiday Sunday, more if your wedding is not on these days or if you need multiple nights. Your guests will be able to call and reserve the rooms direct and payment is taken on arrival. **A minimum of six Lodge bedrooms must be booked with all weddings**, prices will be discounted and confirmed at the time of booking. Additional rooms not booked will be released four weeks prior to the day. A complimentary room will be offered for the wedding couple based on a minimum of 50 guests for the wedding breakfast. Accommodation rates will be confirmed with your booking based on the specific date you choose.

## **CEREMONY TIMES**

We are licensed for civil ceremonies with Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Registry Office. Please call 01202 123777 to reserve your ceremony date and time. We recommend a ceremony time of 1pm which would allow for your evening reception to begin around 7pm. Please be aware we do not offer ceremony only weddings.

## **CORKAGE**

We do not permit corkage; all alcohol must be supplied and sold through The Connaught Hotel and Spa, including favours.

# *Need to know*

## **ENTERTAINMENT**

A disco is included in our Wedding Bliss Package but not in our bespoke packages. Discos can be added to these packages for an additional charge or you can arrange your own entertainment if you wish.

## **MENU TASTING**

A menu tasting for the wedding couple is provided on a complimentary basis when booking for a minimum 50 guests for your special day, to try the food and a selection of wines. You will have the opportunity to try two starters, two mains and two desserts between you both. You can book this with your wedding manager any time after the deposit has been paid, subject to availability. Please note menu tastings are offered from 6.30pm-9pm Tuesday-Thursday. Additional guests are welcome for an additional per person charge of; Classic £30, Grand £40, Luxury £50 or Indulgent £60.

## **MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM CAPACITIES**

We have a number of rooms suitable for large weddings of up to 120 guests, down to more intimate weddings. Friday, Saturday and Sunday weddings are subject to a minimum number of 50 adult guests. We will discuss your options with you on your show-around of the hotel.

## **PARKING**

Our car park is exclusively for hotel residents, so anyone staying overnight with us will be welcome to park on site. For other guests, we are lucky to have a public car park just a five-minute walk away. We are also perfectly placed for access via public transport and will happily provide you with details.

## **ROOM HIRE**

Ceremony room hire is included in our Wedding Bliss Package but is chargeable for our bespoke weddings. Evening-only weddings will be subject to a room hire charge of £750 and must include catering for a minimum 80 guests – please note weekend availability would only be offered if booking within six months of the wedding date.

## **TOASTMASTER**

One of our managers will be on hand to do any basic announcements needed throughout the day. You may wish to arrange a formal toastmaster, who will be with you and your guests at all times and make all formal announcements for the ceremony until the end of your wedding breakfast. If you would like more information, please let us know.



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