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Forever

Mercure Maidstone Great Danes Hotel

A stylish blend of traditional and contemporary design set in 26 acres of landscaped gardens

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Congratulations from us all at the Great Danes

Where your adventure begins

It's an exciting time as you countdown to your big day, organising every little detail to make sure you both have the best day of your lives. Rest assured that we'll help you get it just right.

At Mercure Maidstone Great Danes Hotel we'll get to know you, your tastes, your wishes – and help make those dreams come true. With the spaces, food, drink, and a dedicated team that can deliver all the extra little touches, you'll be sure to have your perfect celebration.

We pride ourselves on creating the wedding day that's perfect for you, filled with magical moments for both you and your guests. There's no need to worry on the big day as your dedicated wedding planner will take care of everything, so you can just focus on enjoying your special day surrounded by the people you love.



Venue & ceremony

Surrounded by 26 acres of stunning Kentish countryside, adjacent to Leeds Castle - whether you are planning a civil ceremony, traditional church service or civil partnership, we can create a day as perfect and individual as you are.

With a choice of three rooms or the fabulous gazebo to hold your civil marriage or partnership ceremony, we can accommodate you no matter how many guests will be celebrating with you.

If you're looking for a master of ceremonies, we can help here too, whether you're looking for a traditional and formal, or a more informal host.

Heart of Kent Suite 120 to 600 guests

Arrive in style via your own private entrance and reception area to this fabulous suite seating up to 400 guests.

Park View 20 to 100 guests

A lovely suite overlooking the grounds and gazebo. Versatile and cosy with its own bar, it is ideal for a more intimate celebration.

Medway 4 to 30 guests

The perfect setting for an elegant intimate wedding, with patio doors leading onto the grounds.

Gazebo 8 to 600 guests

Exchange your vows in our gazebo positioned in beautiful landscaped gardens for the perfect backdrop to capture memories of your special day

Once you have decided on your date, your wedding planner will book the Registrar for you to guarantee the time and date of your ceremony.

Please note that there are ceremony fees payable directly to Kent County Council in addition to any hotel costs. Further details at: www.akentishceremony.com.



The wedding breakfast

Your first meal as a married couple

You'll want your wedding breakfast to be fresh, delicious and memorable, that's why the chefs take pride in providing seasonal menus to suit every palate. If any of your guests have special dietary requirements including vegetarian, vegan or gluten free we'll be happy to discuss suitable dishes.

If you would like a drinks reception, or canapés on arrival, the hotel can cater for this too. We'll be happy to discuss your requirements.

Heart of Kent Suite
120 to 400 guests

Hollingbourne Suite
50 to 120 guests

Park View
50 to 70 guests

Evening celebrations

The Heart of Kent Suite, Hollingbourne Suite and Park View Suite provide the perfect backdrop for your evening celebrations

Heart of Kent Suite
up to 500 guests

Hollingbourne Suite
up to 200 guests

Park View Suite
up to 100 guests

If you're looking for a disco, live band or other evening entertainment we can accommodate this for you. A choice of dance floors are available.



Bedrooms & suites

For your first night as a married couple, your package includes free overnight accommodation and breakfast the next day. Start your new life together in style.

Many couples choose to stay for two nights. If you choose to stay on the day before the wedding this allows for a dinner with close family and friends. If you'd like to stay the day after your wedding you can host a brunch or afternoon tea before your guests depart at their leisure.

Overnight accommodation is available for your guests, offering comfortable and stylish rooms as well as privilege rooms for a sense of occasion. Perfect for getting ready for the day and relaxing at the end of the night.

There are 126 bedrooms in the hotel. Classic rooms feature an HD TV, complimentary high speed WiFi and most have superb views over the Kentish countryside. Privilege rooms also offer a Nespresso coffee machine, robe and slippers.

A chance to relax

Whether you want to settle any pre-wedding nerves or simply unwind and enjoy a little me time ahead of the celebrations, take advantage of the health club and spa. The gym, swimming pool, sauna and steam room are all available to you. Two beauty rooms offer a range of treatments, alongside spa packages that are the perfect treat for the bridal party.



Wedding packages

From a red-carpet arrival to Champagne for toasting and even a knife for cutting your cake, our packages are designed to help make your special day memorable.

Tailor-made packages with attention to every detail. The wedding planner will get to know you, and understand what matters most to you on your wedding day. You can relax knowing every item on your to-do list is taken care of.

Please contact the hotel for more information or see our website for packages.



Your perfect wedding

It's your big day which is why we'll work with you to ensure your day matches your expectations. Your celebrations can be as flexible as you wish from the timings to the food. Celebrate in style with your friends and family.

If you're looking for a separate dressing room, prayer room, or specific dietary requirements, we can accommodate your needs.

If you have suppliers you would like to use for the cake, flowers, table decorations or evening entertainment that's fine; we can also provide recommendations should you need any.

Our self-catering packages offer you the freedom to find your perfect caterer, and we also have the ability to host larger weddings or even multi-day celebrations.

At Mercure Maidstone Great Danes Hotel we ensure your wedding is just how you imagined it, right down to the finer details.



Wedding planning

Your day in safe hands.

We'd love to be your partner for your big day. So why not come and meet us? We'll show you around the hotel, answer the many questions you're sure to have at this exciting time and offer you our wealth of advice on everything from the most beautiful backdrops for photos to room dressing that brings your dream to life.

To arrange your visit and discuss your plans with our Wedding Planner, please call 01622 528 565 opt 3 or email weddings@mercuremaidstone.co.uk

How to get here

By road:

Exit the M20 at junction 8 and follow the signs for Leeds Castle. Take the 3rd roundabout into the hotel grounds.

By rail:

Hollingbourne Rail Station:
1.6 miles (no taxi rank)

Maidstone East Rail Station:
4.5 miles (taxi rank available at the station)

Ashford International Eurostar terminal:
17 miles

By air:

London Gatwick: 44.5 miles (50 minutes)

London Heathrow: 64.4miles (70 minutes)

London Stansted: 64.8 miles (75 minutes)

“Thank you for the outstanding service I received both whilst planning and during our daughter’s wedding. In particular I would like to thank Kelly... from our first meeting she was both friendly and professional and I felt I had found just the right person to help me with the planning. I would also like to thank the entire team of staff that helped make the day run smoothly. I’m sure that it wasn’t easy to feed 240ish guests and get everything out hot and on time but this is exactly what happened. I would have no hesitation in recommending your hotel to anyone.”

Heather & Stephen



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