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MAIDSTONE GREAT DANES

Always

Forever

Mercure Maidstone Great Danes Hotel

Congratulations from us all at the Mercure Maidstone Great Danes Hotel

Mercure Maidstone Great Danes Hotel is one of the finest wedding venues that Kent has to offer, with packages to suit every budget and our in-house wedding planner to help coordinate your special day.

Set in 26 acres of beautiful countryside, with a helipad for stylish arrivals, a gazebo and winding staircase for superb photos and room for 600 guests, it's the perfect venue for your dream Kent wedding.



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.

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

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 Suite - 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 Suite - 4 to 30 guests
The perfect setting for an elegant intimate wedding, with patio doors leading onto the grounds.

Gazebo - 4 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.



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

70 to 120 guests

Park View

50 to 70 guests

Evening Celebrations

Celebrate the night away!

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

The hotel works with a range of entertainment suppliers, including DJs, bands, magicians and more, and can provide you with details. Or, you can source your own suppliers, providing they have the relevant certification – please ask your wedding planner for more information.

Heart of Kent Suite

up to 500 guests

Hollingbourne Suite

up to 200 guests

Park View

up to 100 guests

Accommodation

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

Discounted 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 Wi-Fi and 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, book a room for an extra night or two.



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Twilight Package

Homecoming Celebrations

Evening Reception



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The Twilight package is ideal for couples who would like to have a later ceremony followed by an evening reception. Or, for those who are tying the knot abroad and would like a homecoming celebration. Whether you choose to say your "I do's" elsewhere or in one of the hotel's ceremony rooms, the Parkside Suite is the perfect place to celebrate.

Our Twilight package includes:

- An experienced wedding planner to help you with the venue arrangements
- A wedding host to be your main contact on your wedding day
- A reception or toast drink
- Function room hire and private bar open until midnight
- Cake stand and knife hire
- White chair covers
- Evening buffet - Selection of sandwiches and your choice of 3 items
- A complimentary double room for the happy couple for the night of your wedding
- Discounted accommodation rates for your guests

From Prices:	2026	2027	2028
Adult guests:	£55.00 per person	£60.00 per person	£66.00 per person
Children (2 – 12 years):	£35.00 per child	£37.00 per child	£39.00 per child
Children under 2 years:	FREE	FREE	FREE

Minimum of 50 adults applies. Terms and conditions apply. Package upgrades available.
Prices are inclusive of VAT at the current rate.

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Classic Package



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Experience the joys of a classic wedding while adding your unique touches. Our Classic Wedding package offers the perfect blend of timeless charm and modern flair, allowing you to create a truly unforgettable celebration.

Our Classic package includes:

- A complimentary double room for the happy couple for the night of your wedding
- Discounted accommodation rates for your guests
- An experienced wedding planner to help you with the venue arrangements
- A wedding host to be your main contact on your wedding day
- Function room hire and private bar until midnight
- Cake stand and knife hire
- White chair covers

Day guests:

- A reception drink
- Two-course wedding breakfast followed by coffee
- 125ml glass of house wine per person
- A glass of Prosecco per guest to toast your special day

Evening guests:

- Evening Buffet - Selection of sandwiches and your choice of 3 items

From Prices:	2026	2027	2028
Day - Adult guests:	£69.00 per person	£76.00 per person	£92.00 per person
Day - Children (2 – 12 years):	£39.00 per child	£43.00 per child	£52.00 per child
Evening - Adult	£29.00 per person	£35.00 per person	£42.00 per person
Evening - Child (2-12 years):	£19.00 per child	£23.00 per child	£28.00 per child
Day & Evening Children under 2 years:	FREE	FREE	FREE

A minimum of 50 adult day guests applies. For numbers less than 50, a supplement will apply. Terms and conditions apply.
Package upgrades available. A children's menu is available. Prices are inclusive of VAT at the current rate.



Extra special touches

Food & Beverage

- Additional drinks from £7.50
- Bucket of beer (includes 6 bottles) from £31.50
- Upgrade from Prosecco to Champagne from £4.00 per person
- Additional finger buffet items from £3.50 per person, per item
- Cheeseboard per table £80.00

Entertainment & Decor

- Ceiling drapes with fairy lights from £375.00
- Starlit backdrop from £250.00
- Full wall and ceiling draping transformation from £1,295.00
- Centrepieces from £25.00 per table
- Photobooth (3 hours) from £495.00
- DJ from £495.00
- LED letters or numbers from £50.00 per item
- 360 video booth from £595.00
- Dance floor upgrade from £575.00



Pre & Post Packages

Pre-Wedding Celebrations

- Afternoon tea from £19.50 per person
- Dining and accommodation packages - please speak to the wedding planner for more information on pricing and availability

Wedding Eve

- Pre-wedding meal in the Brasserie with your guests
- Private function room hire for a pre-wedding meal with your guests
- Two-course meal from £22.00 per person
- Three-course meal from £25.00 per person
- Finger buffet from £22.00 per person
- Fork buffet from £25.00 per person
- Pizza & glass of Prosecco (or bottled beer) from £23.00 per person

Morning of the big day

- Upgrade to room service breakfast from £5.00
- Bottle of Prosecco from £31.00 per bottle
- Glass of Prosecco, strawberries & cream from £11.75 per person
- Wedding day brunch (selection of pastries, yoghurt & granola pots, fresh fruit, orange juice, tea & coffee) from £14.50 per person

Post Wedding Packages

- Upgrade your breakfast to a private function room with your guests, speak to the wedding planner for more information

Wedding breakfast menu

Starter

Roast tomato soup

basil pesto (V, VE, GF)

Woodland mushroom soup

truffle crème fraîche,

chive oil (VE, GF)

Leek & potato soup

crispy leek, chive oil

(V, VE, GF)

Wild mushrooms on toasted sourdough

rocket, shaved parmesan (V, VE)

Grilled asparagus

shaved parmesan, baby

gem lettuce herb oil.

brioche croutons

Chicken liver parfait

caramelised onion

chutney, toasted brioche

Whipped goats cheese beetroot and hazelnut salad

seasonal leaves

balsamic dressing (V)

Classic prawn cocktail

Marie Rose sauce, rustic bread

(GF bread available)

£2.50 supplement

Tempura tiger prawns

grilled lemon, lemon aioli

£2.50 supplement

Lemon and dill cured salmon

salmon caviar, lemon

dressing, malted bread

£2.50 supplement

Main Course

Pan fried salmon

crispy samphire, pomme anna

potato, wilted spinach, dill and

lemon dressing (GF)

Wild mushroom gnocchi

crispy sage, truffle dressing

(V, VE)

Spinach and asparagus stack

tomato dressing, seasonal

vegetable, slow cooked

potatoes (V, VE, GF)

Oven roast seabass fillet

crushed dill potatoes, lemon

butter sauce (GF)

Thyme rubbed chicken breast

glazed fondant potatoes,

seasonal vegetables, pan jus (GF)

Roast loin of pork

crackling, apple puree, duck

fat roast potatoes, cider jus

Harissa roasted cauliflower

herb salsa, coconut and

coriander curried sauce,

cauliflower fritter, crispy

rocket (V, VE, GF)

Pan fried lamb rump

gratin potato, salsa verde, wilted

kale, lamb jus (GF)

£5.00 supplement

Roast sirloin of beef

Yorkshire pudding, thyme and

garlic roast potatoes, pan jus

£5.00 supplement

Slow cooked shoulder of beef

creamed chive potato, honey

glazed root veg, braised red

cabbage, red wine jus (GF)

£3.50 supplement

Dessert

Cream filled profiteroles

chocolate sauce

Sticky Toffee pudding

vanilla anglaise (GF, V)

Fresh fruit salad

coconut ice cream (V, VE, GF)

Vanilla baked cheesecake

seasonal compote

Chocolate truffle torte

honeycomb, bitter

chocolate sauce

Glazed lemon tart

lemon curd dressing,

raspberry compote (V, GF)

Strawberry panna cotta

sable biscuit, strawberry

dressing (V)

Cheese plate

brie, stilton and aged

cheddar, apple chutney,

biscuits

£4.00 supplement

Chocolate dome

filled with a strawberry

compote, vanilla cream,

strawberry dressing, edible

flowers

£2.50 supplement

Tea or coffee, chocolate mint

Canapés

2026

3 canapés, £13.00
4 canapés, £15.50
5 canapés, £18.00
price per person

2027

3 canapés, £14.00
4 canapés, £16.50
5 canapés, £19.00
price per person

2028

3 canapés, £15.00
4 canapés, £17.50
5 canapés, £20.00
price per person

Meat and seafood options:

Prawn, avocado & cucumber (GF)

Pulled pork lettuce cups (GF)

Smooth liver parfait
onion marmalade

Filo king prawns,
sweet chilli dip

Honey & mustard
glazed chipolatas

Peppered beef skewers,
béarnaise sauce (GF)

Smoked salmon crostini,
horseradish crème fraîche

Thai chicken skewer,
satay sauce

Vegetarian and Vegan options:

Roast peppers and
mozzarella bruschetta (V)

Roasted figs, goats cheese,
honey (V, GF)

Wild mushroom and parsley
bruschetta (V)

Peppered goats cheese
en croute (V)

Sun blushed tomato,
mozzarella and basil oil
crostini (V)

Crushed avocado and sun
blushed tomato bruschetta (VE)

Falafel bites,
garlic mayo (VE)

Southern fried chicken bites,
sweet chilli dip

Finger buffet menu

Sandwich selection:

Honey-roast ham, wholegrain mustard	Grilled mediterranean vegetables (v) with cream cheese
Egg, cress, black pepper (V)	Tuna, cucumber, lemon mayonnaise
Cheddar cheese, pickle (V)	

All of the sandwich fillings are included plus your choice of 5 items from the selection below.

FINGER BUFFET SELECTION

Vegetable crudities, hummus (VE) (GF)
Chorizo bites (GF)
Cheddar cheese and onion quiche (V)
Pork sausage rolls, mustard mayo
Southern fried chicken fillets
Soy chilli coriander salmon skewers (GF)
Lamb kofta, mint yoghurt dip
BBQ chicken wings, BBQ dip
Greek feta and cherry tomato bite (V, GF)
Chinese vegetable spring rolls, hoisin sauce (V)
Stone-baked pizza slices (V)

Pigs in blankets, honey mustard dip
Sweet potato falafel bites (VE, GF)
Olives & sundried tomato tapas (VE, GF)
Skinny fries, sea salt (V, GF)
Mini pork pie, pickle

MINI DESSERT SELECTION

Chocolate brownie
Mini strawberry and cream pavlova (GF)
Chocolate opera cake
Lemon tart
Mini Caramel tart



Children's Menu

Treat the little ones to something tempting from our special children's menu, perfect for children aged 2 – 12 years.

Starter

Tomato soup
bread roll (V,VE,GF)

Cheesy garlic
bread (V)

Dips and tortilla
chips (V,GF)

Melon and strawberries
(V,GF,VE)

Vegetable sticks
Including carrot, cucumber
and dips (V,GF,VE)

Main

Chicken breast
Mashed potato, vegetables

Pork sausages
Chips and beans

Battered fish fingers
Chips and peas

Breaded chicken
goujons
Chips and peas

Penne pasta
Tomato sauce (V)

Dessert

Warm chocolate
brownie
Vanilla ice cream

Strawberry and
marshmallow
skewer
Chocolate sauce (GF)

Selection of
ice cream

Fresh fruit salad (GF)



"We held our wedding reception here and truly cannot put into words how grateful we are to everyone involved. From the very first meeting with the wedding organisers, we felt completely supported and at ease, and that care continued right through to our special day. Nothing was ever too much trouble, and every detail was handled with such kindness and professionalism. On the day itself, the staff were incredible — calm, attentive, and genuinely invested in making sure everything was perfect for us and our guests. The food was absolutely amazing, and we received so many compliments, so a huge thank you to the chef and kitchen team. Our wedding day was everything we dreamed of and more, and we will always be thankful for the memories created here."

Mr & Mrs Ackers



Next Steps to planning your Wedding Day

Not seen what you are looking for?

Bespoke packages – we will give you the freedom to create the day that you have always dreamt of. Simply contact us to tell us about your dreams and we will create a bespoke package just for you.

Confirming your Wedding celebrations

To secure your chosen date a non-refundable/non-transferable deposit of 10% or £500, whichever is the greater, is required, together with a signed copy of our terms & conditions and your chosen quotation.

Provisional bookings can be held for 14 days, after which the date is not secured without a deposit.

A further £500 deposit is due 4 weeks after confirming your wedding.
50% of the outstanding balance is due 6 months prior to the wedding date.

Final details meeting – we will invite you in to finalise your plans 6 weeks prior to your special day. Your final bill will then be sent to you for payment no later than 4 weeks prior to your wedding date.



Your Wedding Checklist

12+ months before the wedding

- Announce your engagement!
- Set the date for your special day (or up to 3 options)
- Write a guest list
- Set your budget
- Choose a bridal party & groomsmen
- Find a venue
- Send out your 'Save the Date'
- Consider Wedding Insurance
- Research suppliers

9 - 12 months before the wedding

- Decide on your wedding style / theme / colour palette
- Find your Wedding dress
- Book key suppliers – Photographer, Videographer, Cake, Entertainment, Florist, Hair & Makeup, Transport
- Send invites
- Book your officiant or church

6 – 9 months before the wedding

- Buy or design your rings
- Create a wedding gift list
- Shopping for bridesmaid dresses
- Shopping for groomsmen suits
- Consider your accessories
- Plan your honeymoon

3 – 6 months before the wedding

- Wedding party gifts
- Organise the legalities
- Arrange for your initial wedding dress fitting
- Finalise reception food & beverage offering
- Arrange your menu tasting

1 – 3 months before the wedding

- Hair & Makeup trial
- Final dress/suit fitting
- Write your vows & speeches
- Confirm guest count
- Finalise seating arrangements
- Give notice at your local register office
- Hen & Stag dos

1 month before the wedding

- Check in with suppliers to confirm date, times and location
- Book beauty appointments
- Provide venue with final numbers & details
- Prepare final payments to suppliers & venue
- Wear your wedding shoes to break them in!

The week before the wedding

- Treat yourself to a spa treatment
- Pack for your honeymoon

The day before the wedding

- Drop off décor to your venue
- Get an early night

THE BIG DAY

- Eat a good breakfast & relax enjoying a glass of fizz
- Allow yourself plenty of time to get ready
- **Laugh, love, dance**—and soak it all in

Wedding planning

Your day in safe hands.

When you choose Mercure Maidstone for your wedding, you can expect flexibility to make your wedding dreams come true, coupled with fantastic value from our all-inclusive packages. If you have any questions or would like to experience our venue, you can book a show round with us. You can meet our experienced team and discuss every aspect of your special day.

To arrange your visit and discuss your plans with our wedding planner, please call 01622 528 565 or email weddings@mercuremaidstone.co.uk.

How to get here

By road:

From London/M25 (Clockwise): Leave the M25 at junction 3. Follow the M20 southbound. Exit at Junction 8 for Lenham/A20 and follow signs for Leeds Castle. The hotel is located on the right at the second roundabout.

From London/M25 (Anti-Clockwise):

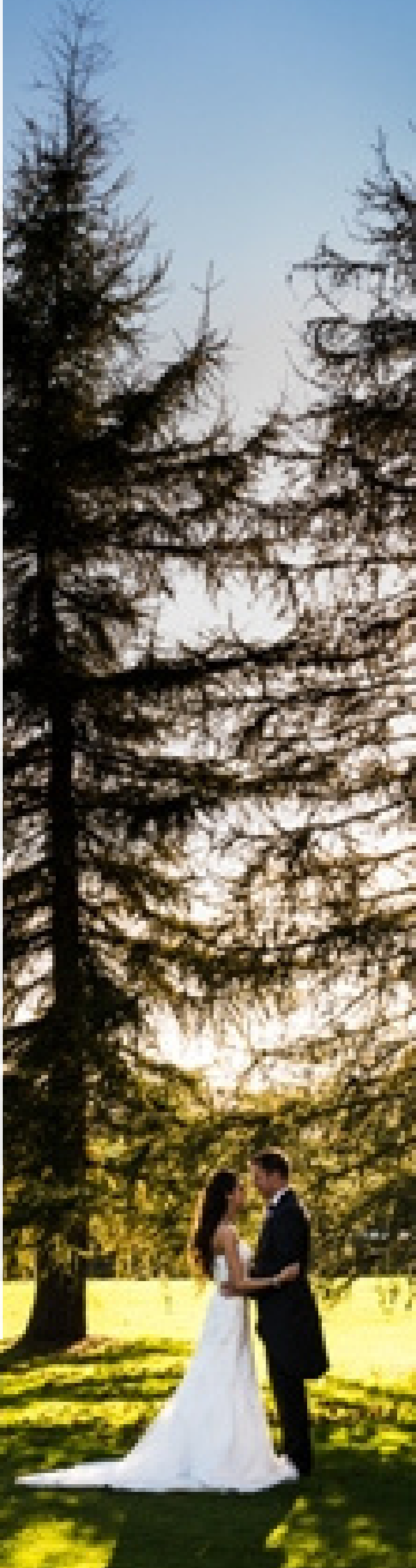
Keep right and continue onto M26/M20 towards Maidstone/Channel Tunnel. Exit at Junction 8 for Lenham/A20 and follow signs for Leeds Castle. The hotel is located on the right at the second roundabout.

By rail:

Maidstone East is the nearest manned railway station (4.5 miles away from the hotel). There is a taxi rank at the station.

By air:

London Gatwick is the nearest airport (43 miles from the hotel).





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