



One Special Day

A Lifetime of
Happily Ever After



MANDOLAY

One Unique Hotel
Infinite Possibilities



Welcome to your Wedding at the Mandolay...

The Mandolay Hotel and Event Venue has a truly independent spirit, with a reputation as the highest rated and officially accredited hotel in the area.

Our AA 4 Silver Star hotel occupies a special place, close to the heart of Guildford, and we are immensely proud of our many recent accolades, most notably from Condé Nast Johansens.

We know that your wedding day is far more than just an event. From early morning excitement and perhaps some butterflies, to family and friends gathering excitedly, surrounding you with love and best wishes, this day is the culmination of months, maybe even years of planning and preparation.

Welcome to the Mandolay, we never lose sight of the simple fact that this is your day!

A handwritten signature in dark purple ink, reading "Matthew Milliken".

Matthew Milliken Managing Director



About the Mandolay

With our eight wedding spaces, the Mandolay offers an almost infinite wealth of choices; from the intimate surroundings of our Oak Suite to the majestic scale of the Mandolay Suite, we can comfortably host events from 12 to 500 guests.

Whatever the size and style of your day, our service never alters.

We aim for perfection and deliver the exceptional.



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Say “I do”



Whether you choose to celebrate your vows in church, the registry office, a location special to you both, or here at the Mandolay, we wish you the happiest, healthiest union imaginable.

Should you wish to do us the privilege of hosting your ceremony here at the Mandolay, we will work with you to make sure that there is not a single missed step.

Our wedding spaces are licensed for ceremonies of up to 500 guests and we can offer indoor or outdoor options.

As with everything, it is your day to enjoy, celebrate and share.



The Gazebo Lawn

Unique in Guildford and offering the final word in ‘blank canvas’ potential, our Gazebo is set amidst manicured lawns and gently shaded by mature trees. The area is a natural suntrap, delivering the quintessential English wedding in the heart of town.



Bubbles and Bites

Bubbles and Bites is our celebration of the partnership between formal and informal; chilled Prosecco paired with a selection of chef's hand made canapés... your very own garden party.



A Photograph for All the Ages

Even more historic than the Mandolay, the 11th Century Guildford Castle remains a wonderfully picturesque part of 'Secret Guildford', with gardens offering a secluded and stunningly colourful backdrop for those very special photographs. Just five minutes from the hotel, you might wish to 'divert' the wedding party for a few moments whilst guests enjoy a welcome drink at the hotel.



Time to Celebrate

The Mandolay Suite – our newest and most striking indoor space is pillar free and capable of hosting a wedding breakfast for 300 and an evening reception for 500 guests. Quite simply, there is no similar venue in Surrey. Designed with sensation in mind, this suite delivers a completely self-contained venue for the ultimate celebration; grand in scale yet retaining an atmosphere that has to be experienced to be fully appreciated.

Your guests will experience the wow of a dramatic entrance to the suite, beneath the stunning chandelier and on through the oak and glass double doors, the scale of the room never fails to impress even when empty, but when sumptuously decorated to your personal request... Stand back and listen to the gasps of delight.

Because the Night was Made for Dancing

The evening reception. A time to relax and for your guests to let their hair down and dance like nobody is watching.

As ever, it is your night and our resident DJ will play your selections from first dance to dance floor fillers; the music that is important to you, perhaps played to evoke memories of special times together or to remember absent friends.

Keep the evening with an elaborate buffet or enjoy toasted rolls at midnight and perhaps even a little nightcap for those who wish.



And so, to Bed...

Inclusive of our Ultimate Wedding Package our Signature Honeymoon Suite will have been available to you since the day before the celebration for all those last-minute details and arrangements, setting yourselves up for the big day ahead with a full English breakfast.

On the day itself, you'll have awoken fresh from a great night's sleep having snuggled down under Egyptian cotton, perhaps making use of the corner bath to luxuriate, enveloped in complimentary Molton Brown bubbles.



Your guests will be offered a range of room types at preferential rates and you can be assured that they will be attended to in a style that is second to none.



Wedding Packages

The Ultimate

MINIMUM OF 60 PEOPLE

Wedding Specialist
Complimentary Wedding Tasting
Ceremony Suite Hire
Wedding Breakfast Suite Hire
Six Bespoke Floral Centrepieces
BY RESIDENT FLORIST
Chiavari Chairs with Ivory Cushions
Red Carpet Arrival
Private Stocked and Staffed Bar

COCKTAIL RECEPTION
ON GAZEBO LAWN
Arrival Glass of Prosecco or Buck's Fizz
ONE PER PERSON
Selection of Canapés
TWO PER PERSON

WEDDING BREAKFAST
Starter, Main and Dessert
Half Bottle of House Wine
PER PERSON
Toast Glass of Prosecco
ONE PER PERSON
Tea and Coffee Service

USE OF
Silver Cake Stand and Knife
White Linen and Napkins
White Wedding Easel
Built in Sound System

EVENING RECEPTION
Evening Hot and Cold Finger Buffet
FOR ADULT DAY GUESTS
Resident DJ with Booth
and Disco Lighting till 1am

AND SO, TO BED...
Complimentary Signature Suite
with Breakfast for two nights
Preferential Bed and Breakfast Rates
for Guests

The Classic

MINIMUM OF 60 PEOPLE

Wedding Specialist
Ceremony Suite Hire
Wedding Breakfast Suite Hire
Chiavari Chairs with Ivory Cushions
Private Stocked and Staffed Bar

DRINKS RECEPTION
ON GAZEBO LAWN
Arrival Glass of Prosecco or Buck's Fizz
ONE PER PERSON

WEDDING BREAKFAST
Starter, Main and Dessert
Two Glasses of House Wine
PER PERSON
Tea and Coffee Station
Toast Glass of Prosecco
ONE PER PERSON

USE OF
Silver Cake Stand and Knife
White Linen and Napkins
White Wedding Easel
Built in Sound System

EVENING RECEPTION
Toasted Bacon Baps
FOR ADULT DAY GUESTS

AND SO, TO BED...
Complimentary Deluxe Bedroom
with Breakfast for two nights
Preferential Bed and Breakfast Rates
for Guests

The Essential

MINIMUM OF 50 PEOPLE

Wedding Specialist
Wedding Breakfast Suite Hire
Private Stocked and Staffed Bar
Arrival Glass of Prosecco or Buck's Fizz
ONE PER PERSON

WEDDING BREAKFAST
Starter, Main and Dessert
Glass of House Wine
ONE PER PERSON
Tea and Coffee Station
Toast Glass of Prosecco
ONE PER PERSON

USE OF
Silver Cake Stand and Knife
White Linen and Napkins
White Wedding Easel
Built in Sound System

EVENING RECEPTION
Cold Finger Buffet
FOR ADULT DAY GUESTS

AND SO, TO BED...
Preferential Bed and Breakfast Rates
for Guests

Additional
Evening Guests
YOUR CHOICE

No
Hidden
Extras



Bar 36

At once comfortable and elegant, the Bar at the Mandolay offers an array of choices for even the most discerning guests and patrons.

Speciality Gin, Vodka and Cocktail menus indicate a real point of difference to traditional hotel bars; indeed, our entire offering sets us apart from anything else in the area.

We believe in a principle of 'Drink Less, Drink Better' and encourage premium brands and perfect presentation over a more inclusive standard as indicated by our choice of Stolichnina Vodka and Star of Beefeater Gin as our house pours.

Fever Tree mixers provide the perfect accompaniment, and all our long drinks are presented to your preference. By day a range of fine teas and Nespresso coffees are complemented by a full menu featuring light snacks, nibbles and hearty lunch options, all served at the bar or on our heated terrace.





Next Steps...

Book an Appointment
with our Wedding Specialist

Simply scan the QR Code.



Confirm your Wedding
with us at the Mandolay

Initial £600 Deposit

£600.00 deposit with photo ID and signed
contract to confirm your wedding date.

First 50% Deposit

Due 6 months from wedding date.

Second 50% Deposit

Due 3 months from the wedding date.

Outstanding Balances

Outstanding balances settled 30 days
prior to the wedding date.

Payments may be made
via Debit Card or BACS.





Frequently Asked Questions

Are you licensed for civil ceremonies?

Yes, we have four licensed spaces at the hotel, including our Gazebo Lawn. The Mandalay Suite can host up to 500 guests with the next largest venue being Guildford Cathedral.

Can we have the wedding ceremony outdoors?

Certainly! Our licensed area, situated at our Gazebo Lawn, accommodates a maximum of 180 individuals.

Is there accommodation on site?

We have 78 tastefully appointed bedrooms all fully equipped to meet the needs of even the most discerning guests.

Is there a Honeymoon or Bridal suite?

The Signature Suite has been specifically crafted to be an exclusive component of our Ultimate Wedding Package. Additionally, this suite is available for rent with all Wedding Packages, offering amenities such as a makeup and hair area, soaking tub, and air conditioning.

Is there additional accommodation nearby?

Our Wedding Specialist can offer information about additional nearby venues in the vicinity.

Can we have exclusive use of the venue?

Our wedding expert is available to talk about the option of exclusive booking.

Can we use our own caterers?

Yes, full Dry Hire Packages are available.

Do you allow outside catering?

Absolutely! We offer the opportunity to host your wedding with our Dry Hire Package. Get in touch with our Wedding Specialist to explore the advantages of our Dry Hire Wedding Packages.

Do you charge corkage if we supply our own wine?

Our Wedding Packages are inclusive of wine service, however, should you prefer your own wine, our Dry Hire package might be most suitable.

How many people can you fit on your round tables?

Our 6 foot round tables have a capacity of up to 12 individuals, with an optimal seating arrangement for 8 to 10 people.

Can we have banqueting style set up for our wedding breakfast?

Yes, of course. Our Wedding Specialist can discuss different layout options for our event suites.

From what time can we get access to decorate the venue?

7:00am.

What time does the reception need to finish?

1:00am (Last song 12:50am).

Do you have a late licence?

Yes. We are able to host till 1:00am.

Are there noise restrictions if we have a live band?

Live music is restricted at 10pm out of consideration for our residential neighbours, given our location as a town centre venue.

Do you have a sound limiter?

Yes, a 110db limiter. All sound is controlled via the hotel sound system, no outside speakers are permitted.

Are fireworks allowed?

No, they are not permitted.

Is confetti allowed?

Biodegradable confetti is allowed outdoors.

Are candles allowed?

Certainly! Tealights enclosed in votive holders are allowed.

Do you permit Dhol drums inside the venue?

Yes, we do!

Can we have a small, ceremonial fire on our Mandap for our Indian ceremony?

Yes. Our past couples have performed the ceremony in the Mandalay Suite or on the Surrey Suite Terrace for a more intimate gathering.

Can the courtyard/garden/terrace be used after nightfall?

No, due to our residential area once it's nightfall our Gazebo Lawn and Surrey Suite Terrace are not accessible.

Do you have smoking areas?

Although we are a non-smoking hotel you are permitted at the front of the hotel.

What local churches do you have nearby?

There are several churches in the area and our Wedding Specialist can review options.

Where is the closest registry office?

Guildford Registry Office

Artington House, 42 Portsmouth Road
Guildford, Surrey GU2 4DZ

0300 200 1002

Is there parking on site?

Yes, there is limited car parking on site and also 1,000 spaces within a 10-minute walk of the hotel. Our Wedding Specialist can provide a car parking map of Guildford to share with your guests.

“It was the detail that we enjoyed the most,
the whole day was so special, and the excellence
of the organisation meant that we were free to enjoy
time with our loved ones without any concerns.
It was the perfect day.”



Please contact our Wedding Specialist
or Events Team for availability and
individual requirements

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