

HIMLEY HALL AND PARK



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Weddings at Himley Hall

Himley Hall is an eighteenth century Grade II* listed building set in 180 acres of 'Capability Brown' landscaped parkland.

As the former stately home of the Earls of Dudley Himley Hall was a luxurious, up-to-date home, so fashionable that in the 1930s it was a regular weekend retreat for Royal visitors, including Edward, Prince of Wales. In 1934 the Duke and Duchess of Kent spent the first two weeks of their honeymoon at Himley.

Today, couples may marry where Royal newlyweds once took their honeymoon, and photograph their special day in the grounds where princes and earls once strolled.

Marriage Rooms

Himley Hall has three main rooms licensed for civil wedding ceremonies.

The Pink Room

Overlooking the terrace gardens and with views towards the Great Lake, the Pink Room was once the Library of Himley Hall. It is suitable for wedding parties of up to 45 people and has the added advantage of private access onto the terrace for photographs or refreshments.

The Green Room

Originally the formal Dining Room of the Earls of Dudley, the elegant Green Room, complete with historic chandelier, is suitable for up to 75 guests. The Green Room overlooks the terrace gardens with stunning views towards the lake.

The Oak Room

Licensed for ceremonies outside the spring and summer exhibition season, the Oak Room is the former Billiard Room and overlooks the courtyard of the Hall. The cosy wood panelled room is licensed for up to 55 guests.

The Personal Touch

Our aim is to make your day special and memorable. Our wedding co-ordinators and catering managers are on hand to guide you through all of your wedding preparations as well as on your special day itself. Your wedding day at Himley is tailor-made to suit you. Whether it is guidance on the timing of your ceremony, helping make your choice of music or perhaps adding those special touches such as champagne on the terrace, experienced staff are there to help.

We ensure the smooth-running of the day by liaising with registrars, photographers and florists. Reception staff offer a warm welcome to your guests as they arrive.

Your stay at Himley

Our ceremony fee covers a two hour period. It is advised that your guests arrive 30 minutes before your ceremony, allowing a further 90 minutes for both the ceremony and photographs.

During your stay the Hall courtyard is reserved solely for the use of you and your guests. In the Spring and Summer months Himley Hall is open to the public for exhibition viewing in the afternoon, however every step is taken to ensure your privacy.

Our fee also includes car parking for guests.

Our aim is to make your day special through our personal and efficient co-ordination before and on your wedding day.

For an informal chat or an appointment to view our ceremony and reception rooms please telephone the wedding co-ordinators.



“...where Royal newlyweds once took their honeymoon...”



Wedding Receptions at Himley Hall

Wedding receptions may be held in several of Himley Hall's refurbished rooms, the Green Room, the Oak Room and the North Wing's Swimming Pool Room.

The North Wing

The refurbished North Wing, which once housed the Earl of Dudley's swimming pool and cinema, has been transformed into an elegant Art-Deco style banqueting suite and lounge bar.

Magnificent 1930's style bespoke lighting, period decor and stylish soft furnishings highlight the superb attention to detail which has established Himley Hall's North Wing as a dazzling venue for wedding celebrations and parties.

The Swimming Pool Room includes a dance floor and lighting, specifically designed for evening functions. It can cater for up to 90 guests for a seated meal and between 80-140 guests for an evening event.

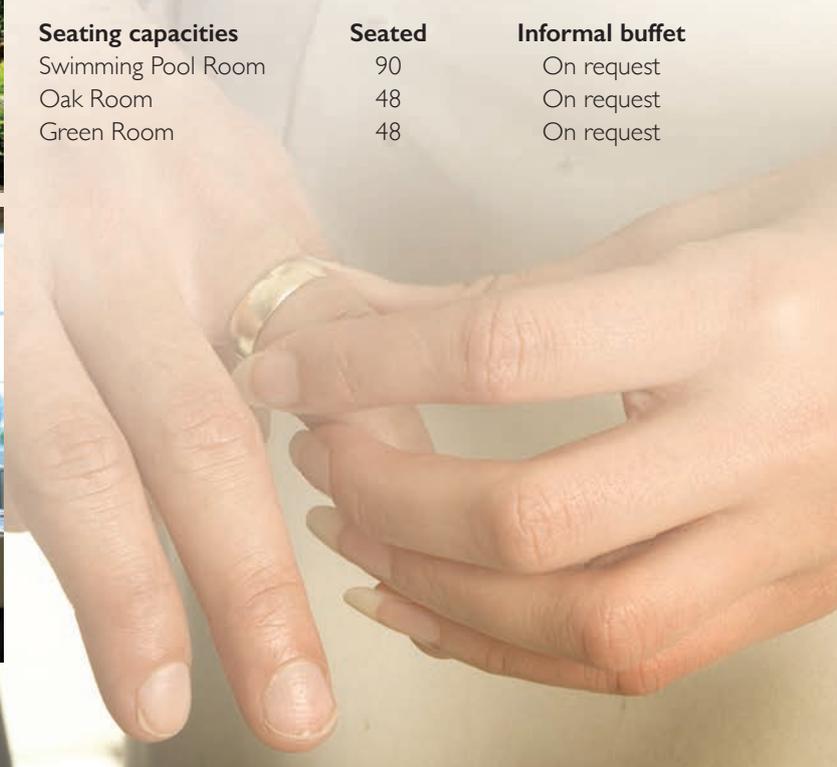
The Cinema Bar, so named because it is situated in the Earl's former private cinema, offers a sumptuous retreat from the lively Swimming Pool Room during your celebration. Exquisite 1930's style café bar furniture and an elegant 'birds-eye' maple and chrome bar are overlooked by images of stars of the silver screen from the Art Deco era.

For wedding breakfast celebrations and evening 'after wedding' functions, the choice of Himley Hall's North Wing will ensure your experience is a special one.

Himley Hall offers a superb choice of wedding breakfast menus from fully inclusive three course dinner packages to high quality buffet receptions. In addition we are quite happy to quote for alternative menu preferences. The Hall's Catering Managers will guide you through your catering choices and seating plan and if desired assist in ensuring co-ordination with your choice of colours for table settings and themes. Special diets can be catered for.

Himley believes that personal contact in preparing for your special day is paramount, both our wedding co-ordinators and catering managers are available for an informal chat, attending to all the fine details which make your wedding day YOURS.

| Seating capacities | Seated | Informal buffet |
|--------------------|--------|-----------------|
| Swimming Pool Room | 90 | On request |
| Oak Room | 48 | On request |
| Green Room | 48 | On request |



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Guidelines for those who wish to marry on approved premises

As soon as a couple have made provisional arrangements for their marriage on approved premises, they should be advised to contact the Staffordshire Registration Service on 0300 111 8001.

It is essential that the couple make an advance booking with Staffordshire Registration Service for their attendance at their proposed marriage as soon as a booking can be accepted. A fee for this attendance will be payable before the ceremony.

The couple will also have to give a notice of marriage to the Superintendent Registrar(s) of the district(s) in which they live. This notice must be given in person by both parties and is valid for only 12 months. Both parties should therefore, attend the Register Office where they live as soon as possible after notice can be given.

The couple should be warned that any arrangements made for a marriage to take place on the approved premises are dependent on:

The attendance of the Superintendent Registrar and Registrar for the district in which the premises are situated and the issue of the authority or authorities for marriage by the Superintendent Registrar(s) to whom notice of marriage was given.

When notice is given in a different registration district from the one where the marriage is taking place, the couple will have to collect the authority before the ceremony and ensure that it is delivered to the Registrar who is to attend the ceremony.

The couple should be advised that only a civil, non-religious ceremony can be permitted by the Superintendent Registrar. Any music, reading, words or performance which form any part of the ceremony must be secular. The content of the ceremony must be agreed in advance with the Superintendent Registrar who will be attending the ceremony.

Any rights of copyright for music, readings etc. permitted at the ceremony are a matter for the couple and the holder of the approval.

Accessibility

The ground floor refurbished suite at Himley Hall is fully accessible to disabled persons. Hall courtyard car parking may be reserved for guests requiring nearby access.

How to find us

Himley Hall & Park is situated 4 miles from Dudley on the B4176 and approximately 6 miles from Wolverhampton just off the A449

How to contact us

The Himley Hall & Park Wedding Co-Ordinators and Catering Managers may be contacted on 01384 817817

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