



HISTORIC ROYAL PALACES

WEDDINGS AT HILLSBOROUGH CASTLE AND GARDENS

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SIMPLY BEAUTIFUL. ENDLESSLY YOURS.

Host your wedding in one of Northern Ireland's most enchanting and historic settings.

Hillsborough Castle and Gardens offers a truly unforgettable backdrop for your wedding, where royal elegance meets natural beauty. Exchange vows in magnificent State Rooms graced by kings and queens, then wander through 100 acres of breathtaking gardens for unforgettable photographs and serene moments together. Whether you envision a grand celebration or an intimate gathering, this regal residence provides timeless charm, versatility, and exclusivity. With its rich history, exquisite surroundings, and impeccable service, Hillsborough Castle and Gardens is more than a venue, it's a place where history, romance, and beauty unite to create the perfect venue for your wedding day.



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CEREMONY SPACES

From intimate vows to grand celebrations, we offer a range of exquisite ceremony spaces:

THRONE ROOM

The ceremonial heart of the castle, this show-stopping space is perfect for couples seeking regal elegance. Frequently used for royal investitures and formal events, its grandeur will make your vows truly unforgettable.

Capacity: Up to 120 guests



STATE DINING ROOM

Overlooking the lush Granville Garden, this elegant room features a Waterford crystal chandelier and a bespoke rug adorned with the blue flax flower, Northern Ireland's national bloom.

Capacity: Up to 50 guests



RED ROOM

Richly decorated in red silk and showcasing 78 historic paintings, this is a room of diplomacy and history but also ideal for intimate ceremonies.

Capacity: Up to 30 guests





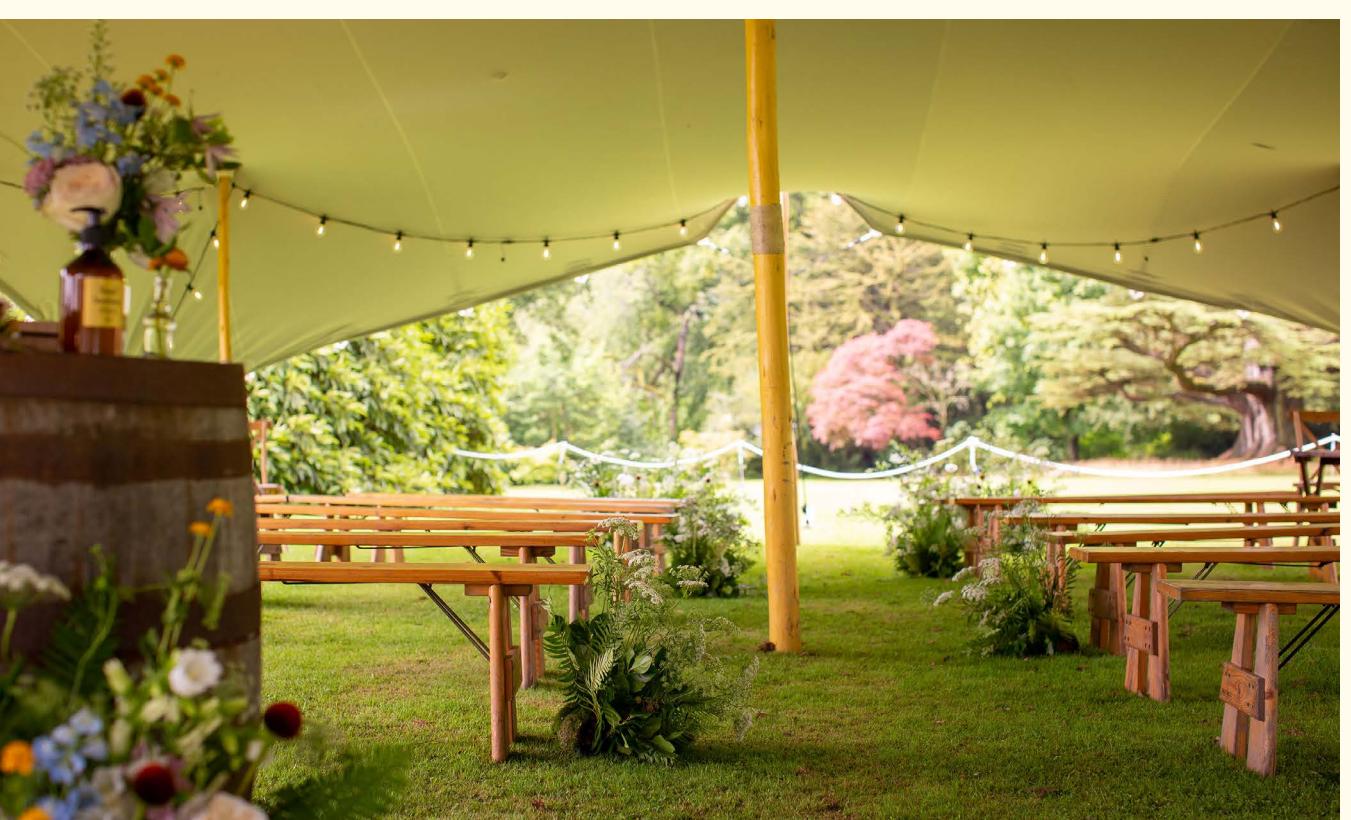
GARDEN CEREMONIES

Embrace the beauty of nature with a ceremony in the castle's enchanting gardens. Ideal for larger guest lists or warmer weather celebrations:

THE WEST TERRACE

Just steps from the castle and the Granville Garden, this beautiful croquet lawn creates an intimate and memorable place to say "I do."

Capacity: Up to 200 guests





THE SOUTH LAWN

Offering breathtaking views of the castle's iconic South façade and the soothing sounds of nearby water features. A truly special location for your guests to witness your special moment.

Capacity: Up to 350 guests



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DRINKS RECEPTION

Host elegant drinks receptions inside the castle whilst guests explore the State Rooms and the south-facing terrace.

STATE DRAWING ROOM

Welcome your guests into the State Drawing Room, an inviting space adorned with intimate photographs of the Royal Family and an impressive collection of works by local artists. Serving as the hub of the castle, the State Drawing Room provides a central gathering point, while guests are free to explore the other State Rooms. French doors open out onto the terrace allowing the celebration to extend into the gardens, an idyllic setting for a wedding.



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WEDDING BREAKFAST THE THRONE ROOM

Spacious and majestic, with regal decor and symbolic royal chairs.

Seating Options:

- Round tables: Up to 80 guests
- Long table: Up to 48 guests



STATE DINING ROOM

The State Dining Room offers an unforgettable setting for an intimate wedding breakfast. Steeped in historic grandeur yet warm and inviting, the room is adorned with elegant period details, a Waterford crystal chandelier and views over the gardens. Here, every moment feels personal, luxurious, and truly special.

Capacity: Up to 40 guests



MARQUEE'S AT HILLSBOROUGH CASTLE

The State Rooms at Hillsborough Castle are perfect for elegant dining and evening celebrations.

If you'd like dancing as part of your reception, we recommend a beautiful marquee in the gardens, which gives you the best of both worlds, as dancing is not permitted within the castle. Experience a stunning castle setting during the day, followed by a lively dance floor under the stars in the evening.

Our marquee sites let you create a bespoke venue in the heart of our formal gardens.



WEST TERRACE MARQUEE SITE

The West Terrace offers setting for a marquee, that looks over the Granville Garden. Intimatley close to the castle itself, the West Terrace provides the perfect backdrop for dining, dancing and creating an unforgettable day.

Dining Capacity: Up to 200 guests



SOUTH LAWN MARQUEE SITE

The South Lawn Marquee Site takes in the iconic view of the castle's South façade and is the chosen location for the annual royal garden parties. Approach via the stunning South Terrace and Jubilee Parterre, with its pretty box hedges and water fountain.

Dining Capacity: Up to 350 guests



CREATE YOUR PERFECT DAY

We're proud to collaborate with the finest suppliers in the Northern Ireland events industry. Leveraging their unique expertise and comprehensive knowledge of our venue, these suppliers provide exceptionally dynamic and creative services tailored to your event.

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VENUE	CAPACITY	HIRE FEE (ex VAT)	HIRE FEE (inc VAT)	TIME OF HIRE
Ceremony & Wedding Breakfast (non- dancing)	80	£9,250 (April-Sept) £7,750 (Oct-March)	£11,100 (April-Sept) £9,300 (Oct-March)	13:00 - 23:00
Ceremony & Drinks Reception	120	£3,000	£3,600	3 hour period Oct - March (Mon-Fri)
Drinks Reception & Wedding Breakfast Only (non-dancing)	80	£7,000 (April-Sept) £5,500 (Oct-March)	£8,400 (April-Sept) £6,600 (Oct-March)	15:00 - 23:00

MARQUEE SITES

In-Castle Arrival Reception & West Terrace Marquee	200	£6,000	£7,200	16:00 - 00:00
In-Castle Arrival Reception & South Lawn Marquee	350	£6,000	£7,200	16:00 - 00:00
Castle Ceremony Add-On	120	£2,000	£2,400	13:00 - 16:00
Earlier Access Time Extension (marquee)		£500	£600	

*Dancing and evening entertainment must take place in a marquee, as dancing is not permitted in the castle's State Rooms.

*Supplier access time is negotiable with the supplier.

VENUE SPACES	CEREMONY CAPACITY	DRINK RECEPTION CAPACITY	DINNER CAPACITY
Exclusive Hire of the Castle for a drinks reception only		Standing: 200	
Throne Room	Theatre Style: 120		Round tables: 80 Long tables: 48
State Dining Room	Theatre Style: 50		Round tables: 40 Long tables: 24
Red Room	Theatre Style: 30		Round tables: 20

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