



Weddings at
Rufford Mill



Where do I start reviewing the best day of our lives?! Rufford was utterly amazing! The team were absolutely fantastic from start to finish! I can't thank them enough. Planning our wedding was a dream, the team couldn't do enough to accommodate our every need. The venue was beautiful, the food even better and the hospitality was just 10/10! The day was better than we could have ever imagined. It was perfect.



A Day to *Remember...*



Congratulations on your engagement!

Now comes the most exciting time - all the planning and organising - and we will help you to get it just right!

Here at Rufford Mill, we will work closely with you to create your perfect day. We have an amazing experienced team to help you with all the details so you can have the most magical & memorable day!



Bring your wedding to life at Rufford Mill with stunning views across the lake, natural surroundings and a relaxed rural atmosphere. Rufford Abbey Country Park provides an enchanting backdrop to your wedding or special occasion.

At the heart of the park stands the grand remains of Rufford Abbey founded in the 12th Century, and around the Abbey lie parkland, woodland, formal gardens and a lake. The Talbot Suite, on the first floor of Rufford Sawmill, provides a stylish venue for your Ceremony and celebration.

This listed building has a historic exterior but a fresh and contemporary interior. The Talbot Suite can comfortably seat up to 80 day guests and 100 evening guests. We also have a further room on the ground that can hold additional guests.



Bespoke *and* Exclusive

No wedding at Rufford Mill is the same. We create bespoke weddings and will tailor your day to suit your specific needs. From an intimate Ceremony with just close family, to a full day with a lavish Wedding Breakfast and dancing until midnight.

With our extensive range of local contacts, you can tailor your day to suit your style and your religious preferences. The team at Rufford Mill are with you throughout the entire process, ensuring that your day is exactly how you dreamt it would be.

Just tell us your requirements and leave the rest to us. For more information contact our team direct on 01623 888525.

Small and intimate

If you are looking for a small & intimate wedding then look no further! Rufford is the perfect venue for that smaller wedding without feeling lost in the space, with several locations to choose from you can have your choice on how you would like to celebrate your special day.

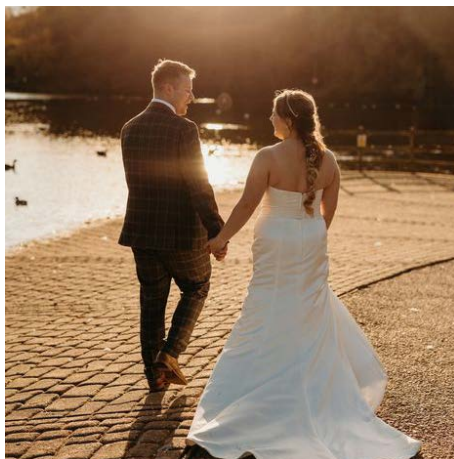


Just a Ceremony or reception

If you are looking for just the reception, we can cater for just your evening event. With evening entertainment contacts to get your party started, we will work closely with you to create that perfect party atmosphere for you and your guests to enjoy! Or, if you are simply looking for somewhere to hold your Ceremony, we can also hire out our licenced room for half the day for your guests to enjoy seeing you get married under the beams in our Talbot Suite and then they are free to enjoy our beautiful grounds.

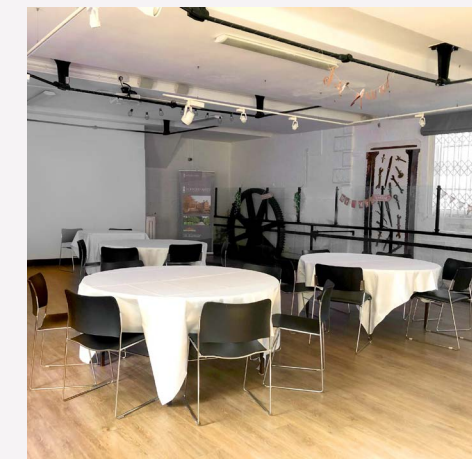


Located in Beautiful Rural Surroundings



The Talbot Suite

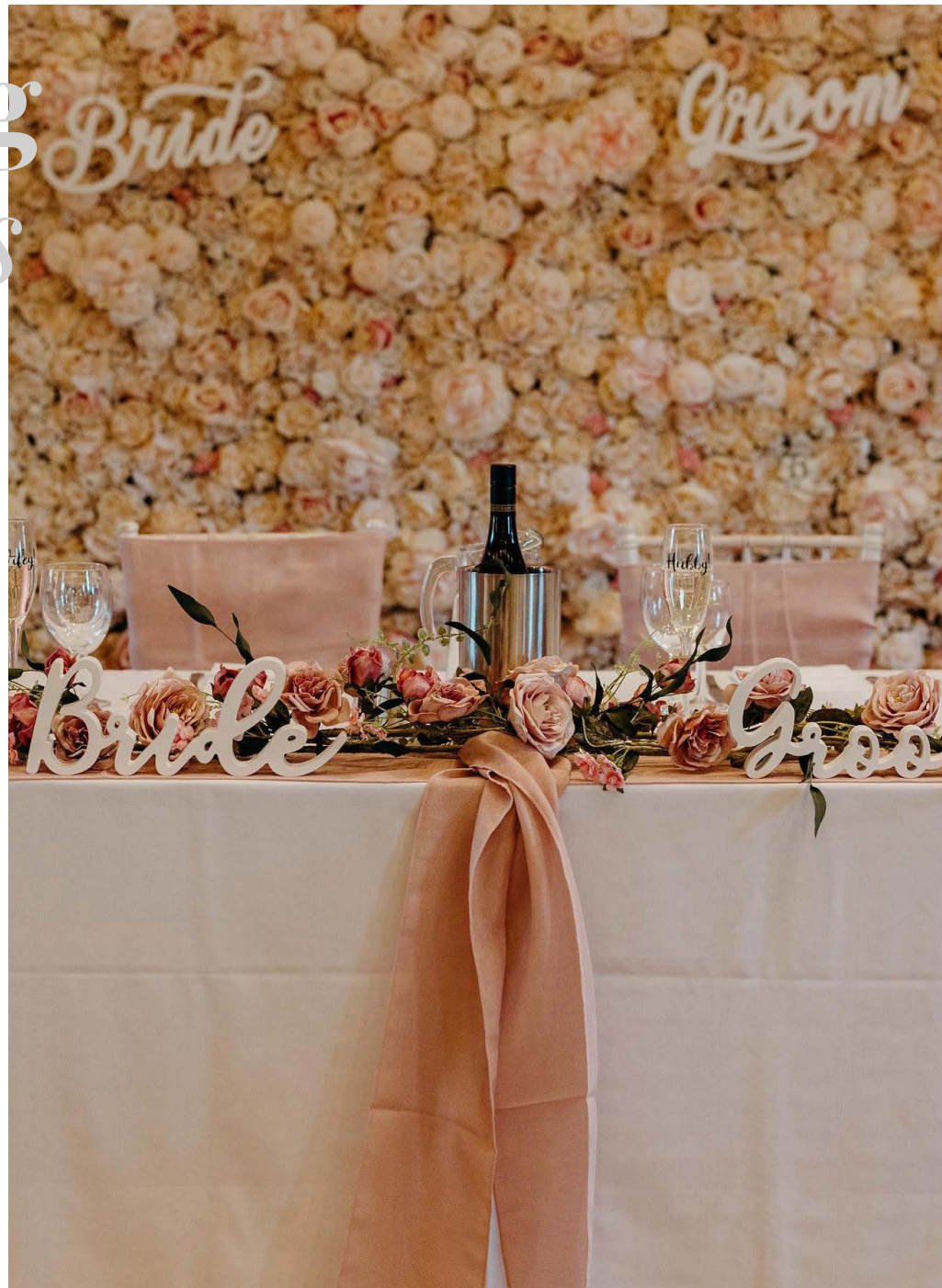
A beautiful canvas for any wedding or civil Ceremony. Located on the first floor of the Rufford Mill, the venue will accommodate up to 80 day guests for a banquet style dinner, 100 guests for just a Ceremony and 100 guests for an evening reception.



The Markham Suite

An additional function room on the ground floor of Rufford Mill offers you a secondary area where you and your guests can retreat to during the day. With a unique view of historic mill wheel.

Wedding Packages



Your Day, Your Way, at Rufford Mill

The personal touches are what make a wedding day special. Our dedicated team will work with you to select and personalise one of our bespoke packages to ensure you have the day of your dreams. We have packages to suit every need, size, and style as well as a range of catering options to delight you and your guests.

The Pearl Package

Based on minimum numbers

50 day guests and 100 evening guests

Package price from £3,500 to £4,500

Additional day guests £42.00 pp

Additional evening Guests £11.50 pp

- Exclusive use of the Talbot Suite for your Ceremony, Wedding Breakfast and evening reception
- Use of the bar in the Talbot Suite, white linen, cutlery and glassware
- Use of our white vintage Chiavari chairs
- Glass of bubbles for the Bride and Groom
- Drinks reception, a glass of wine or bottle of beer per person in the Markham Suite for your guests to relax in after the wedding Ceremony whilst you have photos taken
- 50 guests – A glass of sparkling wine to toast
- 50 guests – Half a bottle of wine per guest to accompany the Wedding Breakfast (Choice of red, white and rose)
- 50 guests – Wedding Breakfast inclusive of 1 starter, 1 main (+ vegetarian option) 1 dessert for the whole party. Pre order required 6 weeks prior
- Dietary requirements will be discussed in your final details meeting and more

Available Sunday to Thursday, subject to date and availability

Starter

Please choose one option

- Salmon and prawn platter
- Homemade soup served with a roll and butter (V)
- Brussel pate & english chutney served with sourdough baguette

Mains

Please choose one option

- Roast chicken breast wrapped in smoked bacon, served with mashed potatoes, seasonal vegetables, roast chicken and thyme gravy
- Whole roasted pork fillet served with spring onion mash & seasonal vegetables, roasted shallots and red wine sauce
- Beetroot wellington with minted new potatoes seasonal vegetables and homemade vegetarian gravy (V)

Desserts

Please choose one option

- Creme brulee cheesecake served with raspberry couli
- Apple & cinnamon crumble served with custard
- Tarte au citron with raspberry coulis and pouring cream

The Ruby *Package*

Based on minimum numbers

50 day guests and 100 evening guests

Packages price from £4,800 to £6,000

Additional day guests £47.00 pp

Additional evening Guests £13.50 pp

- Exclusive use of the Bridal suite on the day of your wedding, until the time of your Ceremony
- Exclusive use of the Talbot Suite for your Ceremony, Wedding Breakfast and evening reception
- Use of the Talbot Suite bar, red carpet (optional) white linen, cutlery and glassware
- Use of the Markham Suite for your guests to relax in after the wedding Ceremony whilst you have photos taken
- Glass of bubbles for the Bride and Groom
- Reception drink of Prosecco & bottled beers, 1 drink per person to be served in the Markham Suite
- Waitress served, three course set menu Wedding Breakfast
- Half bottle of wine per guest to accompany the Wedding Breakfast (Choice of red, white and rose)
- A glass of sparkling wine to toast the bride and groom
- Choose 1 starter, 1 main (+ vegetarian option) 1 dessert for the whole party. Pre order required 6 weeks prior
- Dietary requirements will be discussed in your final details meeting and more

Starter

Please choose one option

- Chicken satay mini skewers, with flatbread
- Breaded brie wedges with spicy tomato salsa and dressed leaves
- Poach salmon Terrine With Dill oil, Tomato salad

Mains

Please choose one option

- Blade of beef with roasted shallots and red wine sauce, served with mashed potato and seasonal vegetables
- Homemade chicken kiev served with minted new potatoes carrots, green beans
- Oak smoked cheddar tart served with seasonal vegetables & potatoes

Desserts

Please choose one option

- Homemade sticky toffee pudding with toffee sauce and ice cream
- Trio of mini chocolate desserts. Double chocolate mousse, white chocolate & raspberry mousse, chocolate & orange tartlets
- Passion fruit & mango creamy baked cheesecake

The Diamond *Package*

Based on minimum numbers

60 day guests and 100 evening guests

Packages price from £5,600 to £7,000

Additional day guests £62.00 pp Additional evening Guests £15.50 pp

- Exclusive use of the Bridal suite on the day of your wedding, until the time of your Ceremony
- Exclusive use of the Talbot Suite for your Ceremony, Wedding Breakfast and evening reception.
- Use of the Talbot Suite bar, red carpet (optional) white linen, cutlery and glassware
- Use of the Markham Suite for your guests to relax in after the wedding Ceremony whilst you have photos taken
- Glass of bubbles for the Bride and Groom
- Reception drink and Canapes, Prosecco & bottled beers (1 drink per person) to be served in the Markham Suite
- Waitress served, three course set menu Wedding Breakfast
- Half a bottle of wine per guest to accompany the Wedding Breakfast
- A glass of champagne to toast per guest
- Dietary requirements will be discussed in your final details meeting and more

Starter

Please choose one option

- Creamed garlic mushrooms with parmesan cheese served on toasted sour bread
- Homemade soup served with a roll and butter
- Classic tomato bruschetta with mozzarella

Mains

Please choose one option

- Roast rib of beef With homemade yorkshire pudding watercress and seasonal vegetables and potatoes
- Baked pave of salmon served with hollandaise sauce crushed new potatoes creamed cabbage, smoked bacon and green beans
- Nut roast walnuts and cashews with butternut squash, sweet potato, served with seasonal vegetables & Potatoes

Desserts

Please choose one option

- Tarte au citron with raspberry coulis and pouring cream
- Creme brulee with raspberries and lemon shortbread
- Dusted salted caramel chocolate tart with chantilly cream



Our Chefs produce mouthwatering dishes daily, all made freshly here on site.

To compliment your day we have a wide range of menu choices and drinks packages to suit all tastes and budgets. We can offer set menu Wedding Breakfasts, and an assortment of hot and cold buffet evening menus that are perfect for a special occasion.

We want to make sure you and your guests will remember the food for all the right reasons. Our wedding team will be happy to build a bespoke package for you or alternatively take advantage of our fixed price packages. All tastes and dietary requirements can be catered for, please discuss with your wedding coordinator.

We only ever host one wedding a day so that our only focus will be on making sure your day is perfect.



The Bridal Suite

The bridal suite is a room where you prepare (both physically and mentally) to say “I do” in front of all your family and friends.

It’s where the bride gets to relax (as much as one can), get her hair and makeup done, and toast to the day’s events with her bridal party before walking down the aisle. It’s the ultimate wedding pre-game event, filled with music, laughter, and maybe even a few happy tears.

Our bridal suite at the Mill is split over two rooms: the lounge area and the dressing room.

We have delicately designed the layout so everyone has a space to prepare for the big day ahead whether you are lounging on the sofa settling your nerves with a strong cup of tea or making final tweaks to your hair in our dressing room.

Floor length mirror

A floor-length mirror is essential and aids as your quality control checker as you are getting dressed.

You want to be able to get a good look at yourself in your bridal gown from front to back and head to toe before making your big debut.

Light snacks and beverages

It’s going to be a long day leading up to the reception, so to keep you and your wedding party fuelled we will provide you with a continental breakfast buffet consisting of tea and coffee making facilities, pastries, granola bars and fresh fruit to enjoy in the relaxing Bridal Lounge and will ensure that everyone eats something before the Ceremony. And of course, plenty of water, as it’s so important to stay hydrated on your wedding day.



Hangers and hooks

Once you get to your bridal suite, your first order of business should be hanging your dress in an open area.

The Bridal suites dressing room is the perfect place for this with tall hooks that allows your wedding dress and Bridesmaids dresses to hang freely without touching the floor.

Emergency kit

We understand there are so many jobs to be done in the run up to your wedding day, that it’s easy to forget about the little things you need on the morning of your wedding. Unfortunately wardrobe malfunctions, makeup disasters, headaches and blisters do happen so we have compiled a little emergency kit within our Bridal Suite for you to use if the worse was to happen. That way if you lose a button or your shoes give you a blister you can relax in the knowledge we have everything sorted.

The Emergency Kit will include all little bits like; hair spray, hairpins, a sewing kit, safety pins, baby wipes, deodorant, tweezers, a lint roller, first-aid essentials and mints for that first kiss as husband and wife.



Bring Your Robe

You’ll want to wait until the very last minute before you walk down the aisle to put on your wedding dress if you want to avoid any stains, spills, or rips.

It’s a good idea for you and your bridal party to get ready in dressing robes so you can snack and get styled without worrying about staining your dresses.

Make sure to get a robe that ties or zips in the front. Anything you have to pull your head runs the risk of messing up your hair and makeup.

Frequently asked Questions

1. How long can I provisionally hold a date for?

If you've got your perfect date in mind for your big day and we have availability in the diary we can hold a date for you 2 weeks free of charge.

2. How many guests can you accommodate in the day and the evening?

Ceremony and Wedding Breakfast 80 guests. Evening total of 100 in the Talbot Suite.

3. Do I have to use your recommended suppliers?

No! Its your big day and if you have already set your sights on a supplier who is not here at Rufford Mill then that's absolutely fine. All of suppliers on site are recommended.

At the Mill John Price Photography is based on site and specialises not only in weddings and engagement shoots, but newborn

babies, cake smash, maternity and family photo sessions. Visit johnpricephotography.co.uk for more information. We also have the lovely ladies at Wild Jasmine Floristry who can create the most beautiful bouquets and centerpieces for your big day.

4. What is the process of securing a date at the Mill?

Once you have a date in mind for your big day and have provided us with what package you would like to book upon we will send you 1, the contract and 2, the terms and conditions which need to be signed and dated by the couple and then along with 3, a £500.00 non refundable deposit. All 3 of these items will secure your wedding date at the Mill.

5. When will I know when my next payment is due after booking?

Once we send you the contract at the time of booking there is a payment plan on the first page which we recommend you follow. After the deposit is taken at the initial booking stage we require 50% of the

package price 12 months prior to the big day and then 25% 6 months before and the remaining 25% 3 months prior.

6. Can I bring my own confetti?

Yes of course, we do allow confetti however all confetti must be biodegradable and can only be thrown in the courtyard area at the Mill due to the wildlife around the park.

7. Do you allow fireworks at the Mill?

Unfortunately not, due to our location within a country park surrounded with wildlife we do not allow fireworks.

8. Do you have accommodation on site?

We do not have any accommodation on site however there are a number of different accommodation sites nearby including Center Parcs just an 8 minute drive from the venue.



To find out more about holding your wedding at Rufford Mill
or request a viewing, please contact our expert team directly on
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