

Wedding Services

We would be delighted to host your Wedding Celebrations and are able to offer a fully inclusive package tailor made to your specific requirements. Our experienced team is available to assist you with organising every aspect of your day from creating your ideal wedding breakfast to making local arrangements for florists. Please contact us to arrange a personal consultation with our Wedding Coordinator.

Civil Ceremony Suite

The Kings Head Hotel holds a license under the Marriages Act of 1994 allowing us to host Civil Wedding Ceremonies on our premises. Our elegant Blencathra Suite provides an ideal venue for your ceremony with seating for up to 50 Guests and beautiful views across the valley.

Dining

Our award winning St. Johns Restaurant offers an elegant dining experience with spectacular views toward St. Johns in the Vale, seating up to 40 guests. Our Head Chef and his team offer an extensive menu created from only the finest of local produce. Choose from our range of carefully selected Set Menus or create your individual Wedding Breakfast under the expert guidance of our Head Chef.

Accommodation

The Kings Head Hotel offers 17 bedrooms accommodating up to 36 persons in a combination of double, twin, single and family rooms. In addition we offer our beautifully decorated Honeymoon Suite complimentary to the happy couple on their Wedding night.

Additional accommodation is available at our sister properties in Grasmere or Keswick with return transport arranged on your behalf. Please note: a minimum of a two-night stay is applicable on weekends. In addition, we are delighted to offer special accommodation rates for all Wedding guests who would like to extend their stay for more than two nights. We can also advise you of alternative accommodation providers in the local area.

Complimentary

Subject to our minimum numbers requirement, we offer the following free of charge:

- Room hire for your Wedding breakfast
- Dedicated Manager to look after you and your party
- Direct contact to the Head Chef
- Complimentary nights bed & breakfast on your One Year Anniversary
- Complimentary night stay in our Honeymoon Suite for the happy couple on their wedding night

Drinks Packages

Option 1

One Glass of chosen Reception drink
Two glasses of House wine with the meal
One glass of sparkling wine for the toast

Option 2

One glass of chosen Reception drink
Two glasses of House wine with the meal
One glass of House champagne for the toast

Option 3

One glass of chosen Reception drink
Two glasses of House wine with the meal
One glass of Premium champagne for the toast

Alternatively you can choose to create your own drinks package chosen from our extensive wines list. Should you wish to choose alternative drinks, then a written quotation will be given.

Children's Drinks

Option 1

One glass of orange juice for Reception drink
Unlimited cordials with the meal

Option 2

One glass of orange juice for Reception drink
Two bottles of J2O with the meal

Drinks Options:

Reception Drinks

Bucks Fizz
Sherry
Pimms (in season)
Mulled Wine (in season)

Wines

House White Wine: Captains Table Semillon Chardonnay or Pinot Grigio Ca Solare
House Red Wine: Captains Table Shiraz Cabernet or Vollandas Merlot

Toasting Drinks

Sparkling white wine: Prosecco Ca Vittoria
House Champagne: Jean Pierre Marniquet Carte D'Or Brut
Premium Champagne: Lanson Black Label Brut

Tariffs

Ceremony Room Hire

The Blencathra Suite: £250

Wedding Breakfast Room Hire

St Johns Restaurant: £100*

*This fee will be waived where a minimum of 30 Guests attend the wedding breakfast

Wedding Breakfast

Please see menus for prices.

Drinks Packages

Option 1: £19.95
Option 2: £22.50
Option 3: £27.50

Children's option 1: £6.95
Children's option 2: £8.95

Guest Bar Account: Set your own limit

Bedroom Accommodation

Please see our tariff card for accommodation rates. Guests who would like to extend their stay beyond two nights are welcomed to enjoy discounted rates for the extra nights. A complimentary nights stay in our Honeymoon Suite is provided free of charge for the happy couple on their wedding night, subject to our minimum numbers requirement.

Legal Requirements

The following information is provided for guidance only and must be confirmed by your superintendent registrar.

Giving Notice of Marriage

In order to be granted authority to marry, you are required to give notice of marriage to the superintendent registrar in the district where you reside. You must have been resident in that district for a minimum of seven days prior to giving notice.

If you wish to hold a civil marriage ceremony in a district outside the region in which you reside, you will need to make contact with both your chosen venue and the superintendent registrar of that district *prior* to giving notice of marriage to your local superintendent registrar. At this stage, your local superintendent registrar will inform you of when your authority to marry is due to be issued.

Your marriage must take place no less than 15 days and no more than twelve months of giving notice.

At your appointment with the registrar, you will be required to provide information about you and your partner including your full names and addresses, your ages, previous marital status, your occupations and your nationalities.

In addition you are required to prove that you are both free to marry each other and must produce two forms of documentary evidence to the superintendent registrar from the following: Birth certificate, passport, driving license and proof of address.

If you have been married before, you must also produce your decree absolute/your late spouses death certificate. If you have changed your name you must bring your change of name deeds. Any foreign documents should be accompanied by a certified English translation.

Wedding Day Procedure

Prior to the wedding you are both required to have a brief meeting with the Registrar to check all information which is to be entered into the Marriage Register is correct.

The ceremony will be conducted by the Superintendent registrar and registered by the Registrar.

There are words prescribed by law which must be spoken, however you are able to personalize your wedding ceremony which can be discussed with the Superintendent Registrar. Please note, it is a legal requirement that a civil wedding ceremony that no aspect of the ceremony (vows, music, readings etc) can be of a religious nature.

Your wedding may legally take place between 8.00am until 6.00pm.

Two people are legally required to witness the ceremony and sign the marriage register.

Superintendent Registrar

Cockermouth Register Office

Fairfield, station Road
Cockermouth, CA13 9PT
Tel: 01900 325 960

Office opening times:

Monday & Wednesday: 9.30am til 12.30pm and 2pm til 4pm

Tuesday & Friday 9.30am til 12.30am

Fees:

Fees are payable direct to the Registrar.

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| Notice of Marriage Certificate: | £30.00 per person |
| Marriage Certificate: | £3.50 |

Attendance of registry staff at approved premises:

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| Monday to Friday | £185.00 |
| Saturday | £230.00 |
| Sunday/Bank Holiday | £310.00 |

All fees are correct at time of writing but should be checked with your Superintendent Registrar.

Booking Procedure

Contact the Superintendent Registrar to check their availability.

Make a provisional booking for your ceremony room hire and estimated accommodation requirements with The Kings Head Hotel which can be held for a period of 14 days with no obligation. During this time you must make a secure booking with the Superintendent Registrar.

Upon booking the registrar, write to The Kings Head Hotel to confirm you have been granted authority to marry and confirm the time and date of your ceremony. A non-refundable deposit of £500 is required to secure your reservation at The Kings Head Hotel.

Wedding invitations to your Guests should be sent at this time. You may provisionally hold any bedrooms for your Guests for a further period of 14 days from the date of your secure reservation without obligation.

After this period you are required to confirm Guest numbers and your accommodation requirements, and return a completed Room List to The Kings Head Hotel. Your Guests should then contact the Kings Head Hotel personally to secure their accommodation reservation. Guests are then responsible for rooms booked in their name by themselves. You remain responsible for any rooms booked in your name.

In the next few weeks you should revisit The Kings Head Hotel to discuss your specific requirements with our Wedding Coordinator and Head Chef. At this stage you will organise the fine details of your Wedding Day including choosing your menus and creating your Wedding day itinerary. We suggest that during this visit to The Kings Head Hotel, you also visit your chosen local companies to discuss your arrangements for flowers, photography and the like.

Final numbers must be confirmed 4 weeks prior to the wedding. Your final invoice will be based on these numbers, unless these numbers increase. Whilst we will make every effort to accommodate changes to your requirements, we can not guarantee that we are able to make alterations after this date. Children's menus and specific dietary requirements for your Guests must be confirmed by this time.

Terms & Conditions

Payment Terms

Upon securing your reservation, we require a non-refundable deposit of £500. You are able to make payments of any amount toward your wedding at any time prior to receiving your final invoice. The final balance will be payable upon departure from the hotel.

Drinks Packages

In the event in which our drinks suppliers are unable to provide us with your original choice we reserve the right to substitute with an alternative of comparable quality.

Evening Entertainments

All entertainments must be approved by The Kings Head Hotel. We reserve the right to disallow entertainments which we feel would be disruptive to other Residents or inappropriate for the venue.

Accommodation bookings

You are personally responsible for any accommodation bookings made in your name. Your Guests are responsible for accommodation bookings made in their name. For weekend ceremonies all residential guests are required to stay a minimum of two nights. A complimentary night in our Honeymoon Suite for the Bride & Groom is offered for Wedding Parties with a minimum of 30 Guests at the Wedding Breakfast.

Final Numbers

Final numbers must be confirmed in writing four weeks prior to your Wedding day. Your final invoice will be based on these numbers. However, any subsequent increase in numbers will be added to your final invoice.

Maximum Numbers

The Kings Head Hotel holds a license under the Marriages Act of 1994 allowing us to host Civil Wedding Ceremonies for up to 50 Guests in our Blencathra Suite. We are also able to cater for up to a maximum of 50 persons for your Wedding Breakfast. There is no maximum numbers limit for your evening celebrations.

Cancellation Policy

We strongly advise that you take insurance for your wedding. In the event of a cancellation the following charges will be applicable:

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| More than 8 weeks: | Deposit paid |
| Between 8 and 4 weeks notice: | 75% of the final invoice. |
| Less than 4 weeks: | 100% of the final invoice. |

The final invoice is based on the value of your booking for accommodation, your wedding breakfast and drinks packages, as detailed in your confirmation letter or final invoice.

Local Information

The following information has been compiled to assist your organisation only. We do not accept responsibility for any of the services these companies undertake.

Florists

The Lake District Florist and Cakery
18 Main Street, Keswick, Cumbria
Tel: 017687 73003

Wedding Cakes

Bryson's of Keswick
42 Main Street, Keswick, Cumbria
Tel 017687 72257

Photographers

Jason Chambers Photography
37 Briar Rigg, Keswick
Tel: 07816 455562
Web: www.photolakedistrict.co.uk

Derwent Photography
The Studio, Central Car Park, Keswick, CA12 5DF
Tel: 017687 80543
Web: www.derwentphotography.co.uk

Helen Whittaker
4 Lime House Gardens, Carlisle, CA4 8FE
Tel: 07799 228874
Web: www.helenwhittaker.com

Hair & Beauty

Star Beauty Keswick
(full range of health & beauty treatments and make up)
6A St John's St, Keswick, Cumbria CA12 5AX
017687 75945

The Hair, Mind & Body Shop
(wide range of beauty treatments, hair & make up)
2-3 Luptons Court, Keswick, Cumbria
Tel: 017687 74833

Jingles Hair Studio (hair only)
5 Standish Street, Keswick, Cumbria
Tel: 017687 80001

Wedding Breakfast Selector Menu

At the King's Head Hotel we can cater for your every wish, at this momentous time in your life. To make your special day easier we have formatted this brochure to give you more choice and make the organisation of your big day hassle free.

Selection A

Soups

Priced at £6.50

1. Cream of vegetable
2. Tomato and Juniper
3. Cream of leek and potato
4. Minestrone
5. Cream of broccoli and stilton
6. Cream of asparagus
7. French onion with cheese croustades
8. Game broth

Priced at £7.50

9. Lobster Bique
10. Bouillabaisse
11. Pear and Walnut soup
12. Gazpacho

Selection B

Sorbets

Priced at £4.00

1. Champagne
2. Orange
3. Lemon
4. Elderflower

Selection C

Starters

Fish

Priced at £6.50

1. Smoked Salmon Roulade
2. Prawn Salad
3. Smoked Trout Platter
4. Garlic Scented Squid
5. Carpaccio of Tuna

Priced at £7.50

6. Potted Shrimps with Brown Toast
7. Home-made Gravavlax
8. Moules Mariniere

Vegetarian

Priced at £6.00

9. Fan of Melon with Seasonal Fruits
10. Stilton and Apricot Terrine
11. Allerdale Cheese and Herb Pate
12. Garlic Mushrooms on Toasted Brioche
13. Vegetable Samosas with Lime Pickle

Priced at £6.50

14. Poached Pear with Lavender and Thyme
15. Fresh Asparagus with Hollandaise sauce

Meat

Priced at £6.50

16. Chicken Liver Pate served with Melba Toast
17. Ham Hock Terrine
18. Chicken and Bacon Salad

Priced at £7.50

19. Westmorland Game Terrine
20. Carpaccio of Beef
21. Stir fry Duck with Chinese Vegetables
22. Confit of Duck

Selection D

Middle Courses

To give your guests that special treat why not have an intermediate course
This is a selection of dishes around the world

All priced at £6.50

1. Lasagne
2. Moroccan Spiced Meatballs
3. Spaghetti Carbonara
4. Chicken Satay with Peanut Dip
5. Smorgasbord
6. Shepherds Pie
7. Mellanzanna (Aubergine Bake)
8. Moussaka
9. Lamb Pakora with Minted Cucumber
10. Salmon Goujons with Tartare sauce

Selection E

Main Courses

Meat

Priced at £14.95

1. Roast Sirloin of Beef with Yorkshire Pudding
2. Roast Turkey served with Traditional Accompaniments
3. Roast Cumbrian Leg of Lamb
4. Slow Roast Belly of Pork served with Apple Chutney
5. Honey Roast Gammon with Pineapple salsa
6. Breast of Chicken filled with Boursin Cheese
7. Saddle of Lamb
8. Breast of Duck
9. Leg of Pork

All main course meats served with roast gravy or wild mushroom sauce

Priced at £16.95

10. Beef Wellington
11. Partridge
12. Pheasant
13. Wood Pigeon

Vegetarian

Priced at £13.75

14. Moussaka
15. Wild Mushroom and Asparagus Rissotto
16. Penne Arrabiatta
17. Apple and Stilton Crumble
18. Vegetable Terrine
19. Goats Cheese and Red Onion Tart
20. Vegetable Lasagne

All vegetarian dishes include a side order of your choice and a seasonal salad

Fish

Priced at £14.95

21. Fillet of Salmon
22. Grilled Sea bass
23. Fillet of Plaice
24. Whole Baked Trout wrapped in Bacon
25. Seafood bake
26. Tuna Steak
27. Seafood Risotto
28. Cod Supreme with Parma Ham

Priced at £16.75

29. Grilled Hailbut
30. Dover Sole

All fish dishes are served with lemon butter or hollandaise sauce

Selection 7

Accompaniments to Main Courses - No Charge

Potato Dishes

1. Mashed Potatoes
2. Dauphinoise (sliced, cooked in cream and garlic)
3. Boulangere (sliced, cooked in chicken stock and onions)
 4. Marquis (piped creamed potato with tomato)
 5. Duchess (piped creamed potato)
 6. Buttered new Potatoes
 7. Lyonnaise (sautéed with onions)
 8. Roast Potatoes

To be added to any main course dish

Selection G

Vegetables

*Please choose a choice of two vegetables to enjoy with
your main course*

1. Broccoli
2. Baby corn
3. Cauliflower
4. Mange tout
5. Green Beans
6. Creamed Leeks
7. Braised Red Cabbage
8. Ratatouille
9. Vicky Carrots
10. Roasted Courgettes

Or if you can't choose why not have a mixed selection

11. Mixed Vegetable Selection

Side orders for Vegetarian Meals

12. Basmati Rice
13. Wild Rice
14. Cous-cous
15. Garlic Bread

Selection 7

Desserts

All priced at £6.50

1. Strawberry Shortcake
2. Lavender Crème Brulée
3. Crème Caramel
4. Lemon Meringue Pie
5. Apple Strudel
6. Raspberry Pannacotta
7. Profiteroles with Chocolate sauce
8. Bannoffi Pie
9. Sticky Toffee Pudding with Butterscotch sauce
10. Key Lime Pie
11. Peach and White Chocolate Tart
12. Chocolate Fudge Cake

Served with cream, ice cream or custard

*Thank you for looking at our wedding selector menu.
Our list is not exhaustive but if you have any further
queries or would like to make a selection of your own,
please do not hesitate to contact us.*

*For evening buffets please speak to our wedding
coordinator whom will tailor a package to your
requirement*