

A photograph of a brick windmill tower with a white balcony. A couple is standing on the balcony, embracing. The windmill's wooden structure is visible in the upper left. The sky is blue with some clouds.

YOUR WEDDING DAY AT CLEY WINDMILL

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“A truly magical place for a wedding - different, intimate, homely and unique” Rachel and Rick Wakeman



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Welcome to Cley Windmill, a unique and romantic venue for your wedding day.

The Mill is situated in the village of Cley-next-the-Sea, on the North Norfolk coast and is surrounded by reeds, marshes and the River Glaven, flowing out to the sea.

Your ceremony will take place in our beautiful round Sitting Room, surrounded by (maximum 20) of your friends and family. Afterwards, enjoy Champagne and canapés in the Dining Room.

Whether you are having your reception at a different venue, or staying to dine with us, now is the time to capture your special day by having your photographs taken in the garden or from the balcony with its panoramic views over the marshes. This spectacular backdrop will make your memories even more precious.

Cley Windmill is a magical place and our dedicated team are here to answer your questions and to help you plan your perfect civil ceremony or wedding.





Planning your big day

If you have decided to just have your ceremony at the Mill, we would suggest that it takes place at 2.00pm. This allows for guests to arrive at 1.30pm and then, after the ceremony, enjoy a Norfolk cream tea or Champagne and canapés. It also gives you time to relax with your guests, before leaving at around 4.30pm to go to your reception.

Or, why not do something very special and take over the whole of the Windmill and stay with your bridal party or friends and family?

There are 6 bed & breakfast rooms which sleep 12 guests in the Mill, and a further 8 guests can be accommodated in the separate Boat House, Long House and Dovecote. You can start the day with a delicious breakfast and as you are staying with us, you may prefer your ceremony to be a little later - maybe 4.00pm, before moving on to dine in our atmospheric, candlelit Dining Room at the time of your choice.

For those finishing touches, we are happy to recommend our trusted partners who have helped, over the years, to make our windmill weddings so special. Or maybe you would prefer to organise your own flowers, cake and photography? No matter what you decide, our team are here to help and advise you.

Your questions answered

How do I contact the Registrar?

Please contact the North Walsham Registrar
www.norfolk.gov.uk/ceremonyenquiryform
(The Registrar's costs are separate)

What time does the ceremony take place?

If you are just having your ceremony at the windmill, and dining elsewhere, then the ceremony takes place at 2.00pm.
If you are staying with us, then it's up to you but we normally suggest 4.00pm as a time that works well.

How many guests can stay at the Mill?

The Mill accommodates up to 20 adults (Sofabeds and Z beds for children will allow the numbers to creep up, although some of our rooms are not suitable for children).

How many guests can have dinner?

The Dining Room seats up to 24 diners (A high chair and children's menus are also available).

What else can we choose to make our wedding extra-special?

We are happy to provide costs for pre-ceremony sandwiches for the bridal party, buffet suppers, canapés, afternoon cream teas, after-ceremony snacks, formal wedding breakfasts and suppers. Please just ask to see our suggested menus and let us know if you have any special dietary requirements. We also have an excellent wine list for you to choose from.

Choose the perfect option for your special day

1. The ceremony alone, with refreshments served afterwards from our Dining Room. You have full use of the gardens and grounds.
2. If you would like to take over the Windmill and make a real occasion of it you can either book all of our b&b rooms (which accommodate 16) or include our self-catering cottage and take your numbers to 18 or 20. You can then go on to dine in our atmospheric candlelit Dining Room.
3. A marquee in the beautiful garden, either for the ceremony or for dining. With this option you are able to invite more guests to your special day.
4. Come up with your own suggestion and we'll do our very best to make it work for you!

Group Bookings

If you are booking the Windmill in its entirety, regardless of the length of your stay, you have TWO options:

Option 1: book a buffet / supper / formal dinner for all nights.

Option 2: if you decide not to dine at the Windmill, you will then be asked to pay an Exclusivity Charge of £300.00 per night.

Weekend bookings are for Friday and Saturday only and we are currently unable to offer weddings on a Sunday.

Deposits

At the time of confirming a booking, we request a deposit of 50% of the wedding cost, with 33% of any accommodation costs.

How to book

If you would like to go ahead and make a booking, here's what to do next:

Firstly, please call us (01263 740209) to check that your chosen date is free. If it is, we will hold it as a provisional booking while you contact the Registrar to see if they are also free. Please note that the Registrar's Office is closed on Mondays. Once both parties are agreed, ring us and we will confirm your booking. It is at this stage that we will ask you for a deposit.

If you haven't visited us yet, we would be delighted to welcome you to the Windmill. It really is an idyllic place to get married - sun streaming through the windows on a summer afternoon or a cosy log fire roaring away in the winter.

In the words of one delighted couple,

“We were unbelievably happy with our day yesterday...it was perfect and totally surpassed our expectations”





'One of the most memorable and enchanting places to stay in Britain'

Fiona Duncan, The Telegraph



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