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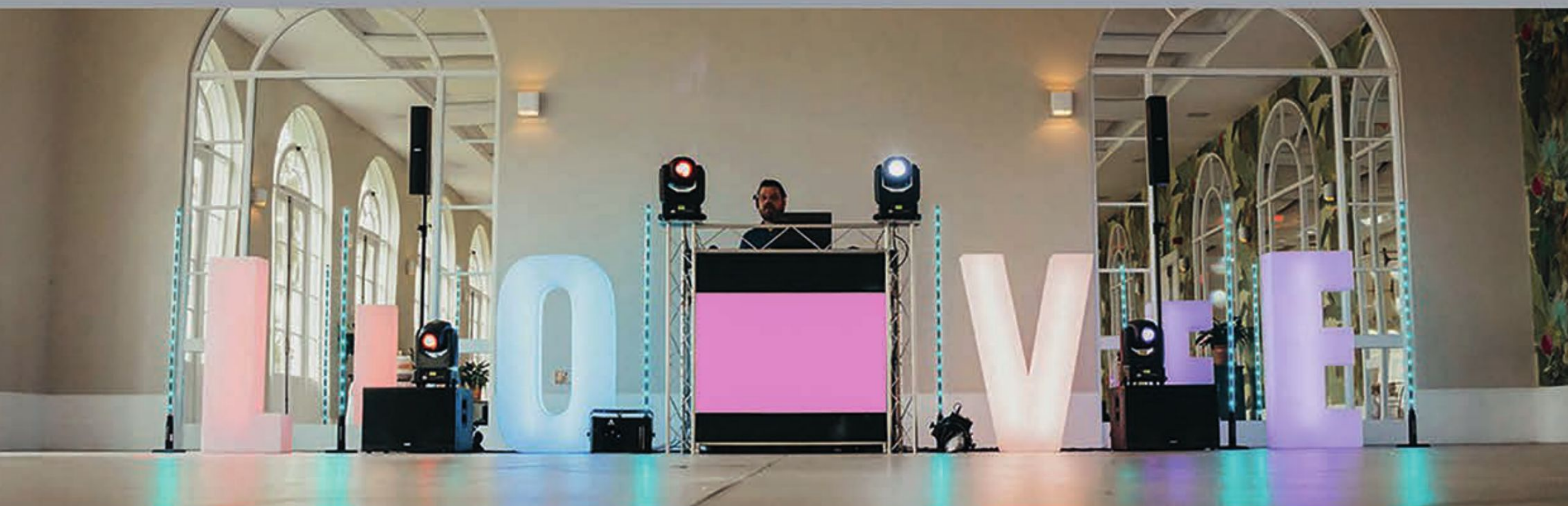
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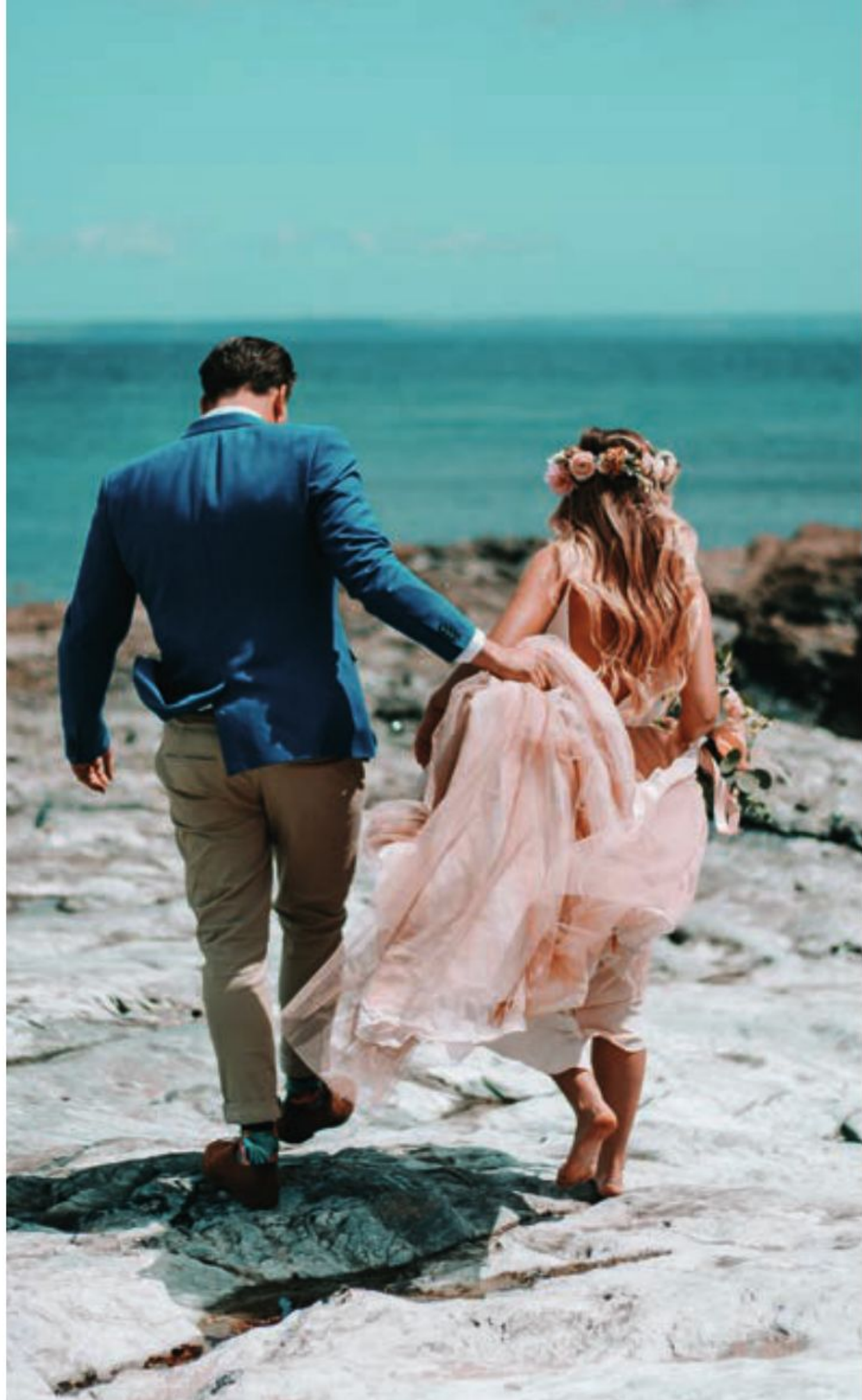
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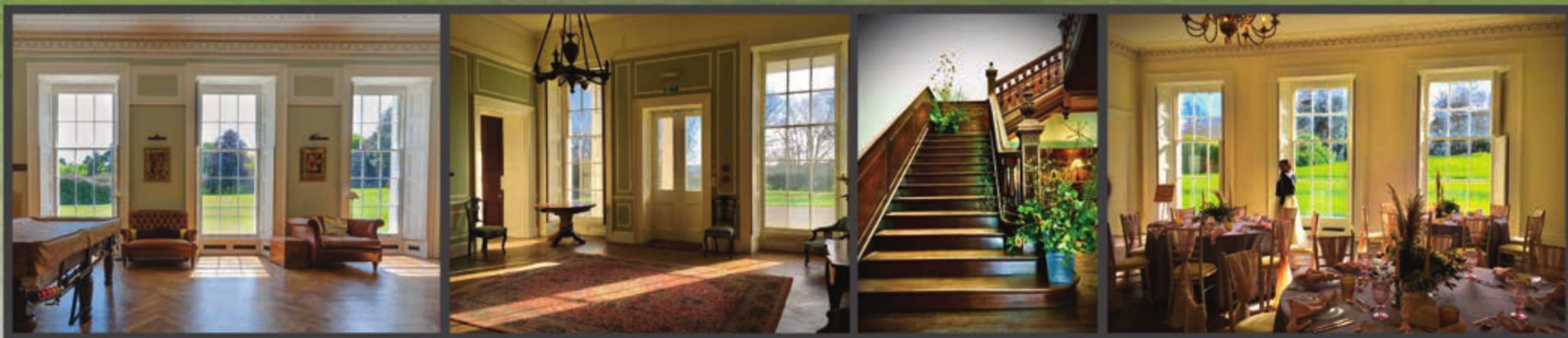


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A life less ordinary



I am fortunate enough to travel extensively with my job and for my holidays. When I flew back from Miami in January this year, having enjoyed all the sights that this American hotspot has to offer, if somebody had told me it would be the last flight I would take in a while, I wouldn't have believed them.

Fast forward three months to April and, as I type, travel plans, along with other plans, have been put on hold for us all.

I hope those of you who are having to postpone your weddings and honeymoons are, firstly, staying healthy. Secondly, this time will pass and we will come out the other side so use it as a time to plan your wedding and trip in even more detail. Maybe there's things you'd like to add to your day (our venue styling and catering ideas in this issue will help) or further information you wanted to research about your chosen destination (our honeymoon features will certainly inspire you).

As well as keeping you up-to-date with all things wedding-related in our summery new issue and online at www.yourdevoncornwall.wedding, I also will be looking on Insta, planning my next holiday to Miami!

Until next issue...

Claire x

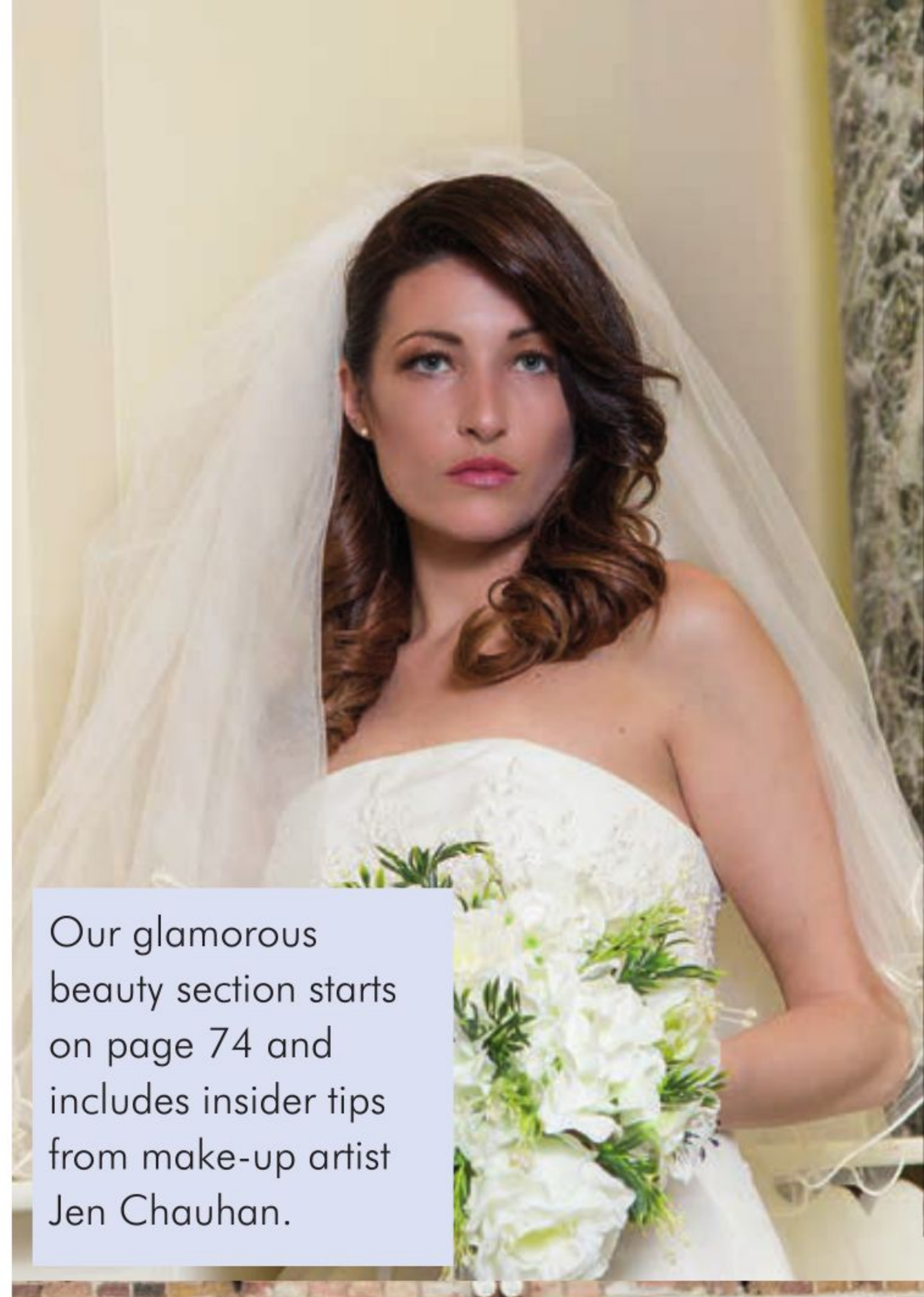
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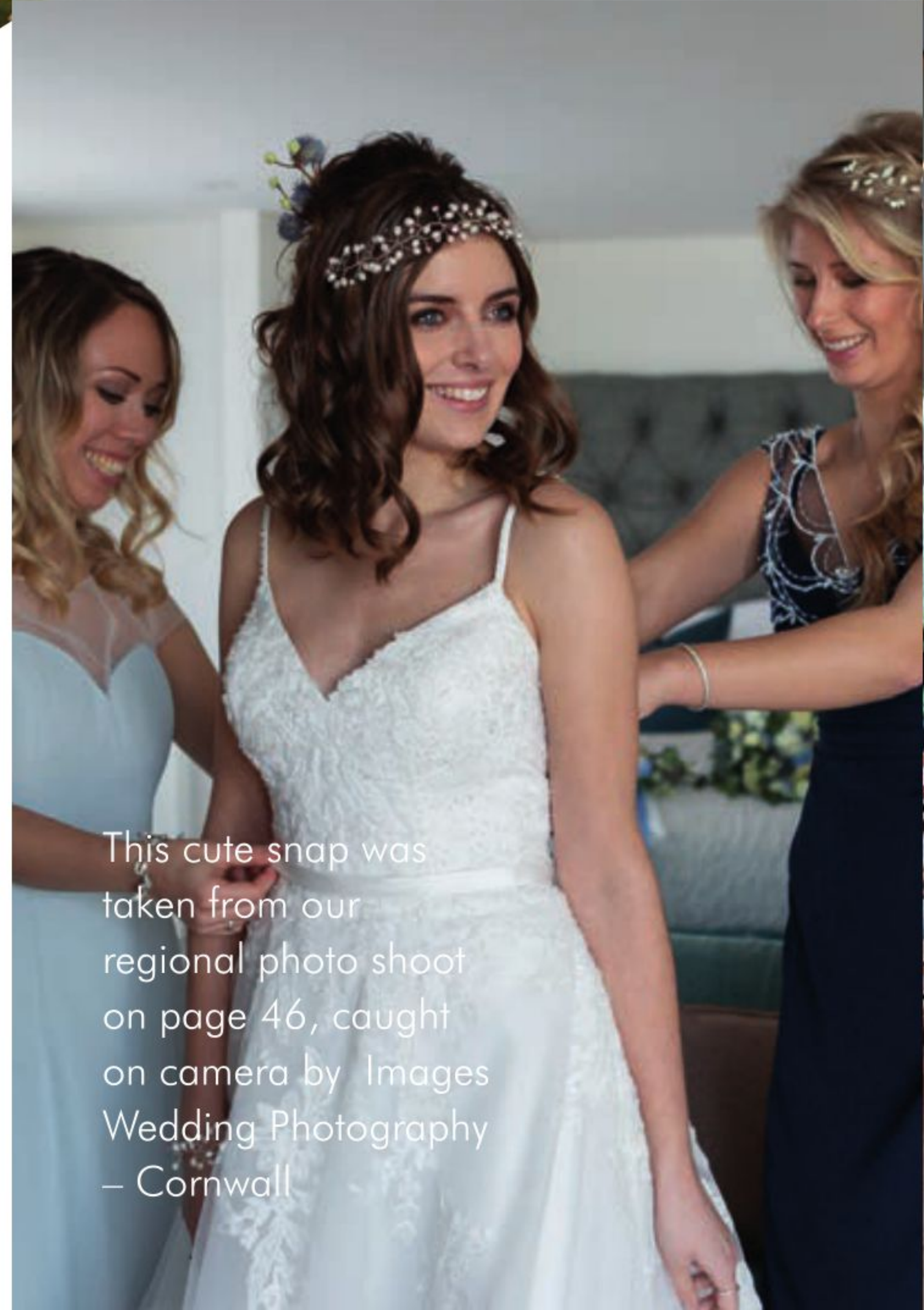
These Wifey for Lifey court shoes and matching clutch bag are by designer Sophia Webster, shown in our fashion round-up on page 72.



Our glamorous beauty section starts on page 74 and includes insider tips from make-up artist Jen Chauhan.



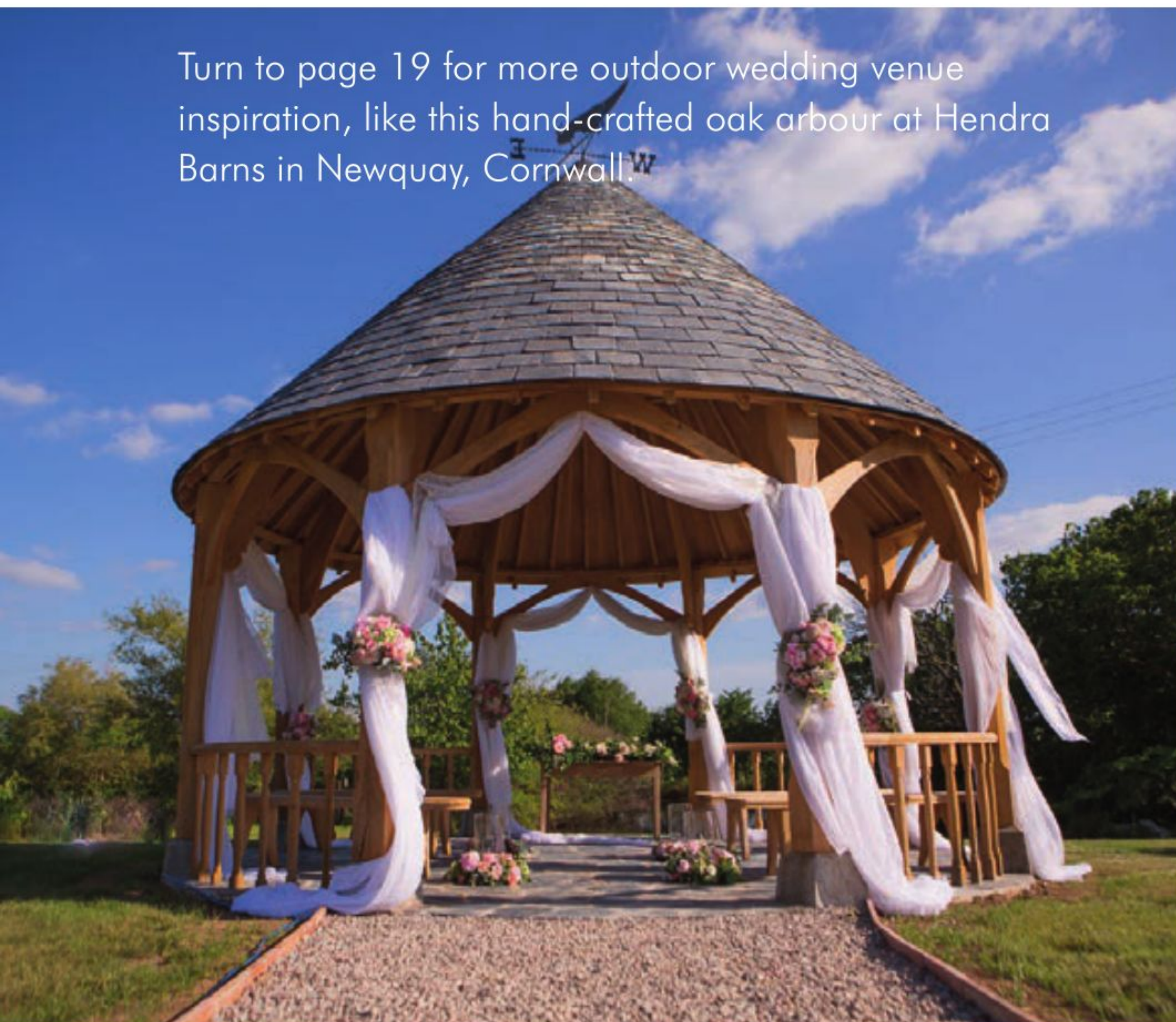
Here at YDCW HQ we love this look by award-winning bridal designer Sassi Holford taken from our fashion story starting on page 63.



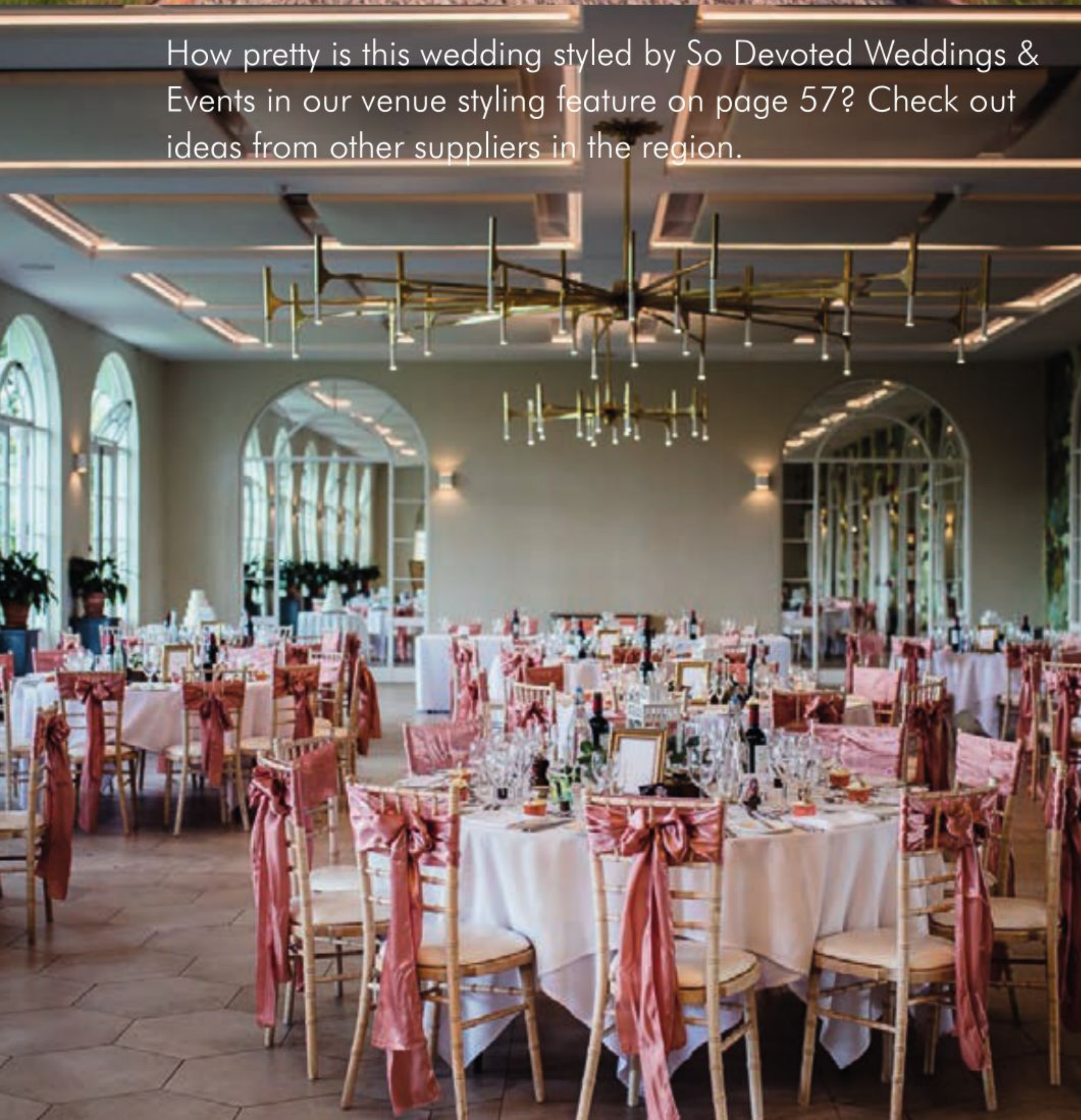
This cute snap was taken from our regional photo shoot on page 46, caught on camera by Images Wedding Photography – Cornwall



How loved up do Lee-Ann and her new hubby Gary look in this cute snap photographed by the talented Thomas Frost Photography? See their real wedding in full on page 35.



Turn to page 19 for more outdoor wedding venue inspiration, like this hand-crafted oak arbour at Hendra Barns in Newquay, Cornwall.



How pretty is this wedding styled by So Devoted Weddings & Events in our venue styling feature on page 57? Check out ideas from other suppliers in the region.

EDITOR'S LETTER

How pretty is this big-day backdrop at Cuckoo Down Farm in East Devon. We love a tipi wedding! Turn to page nine to read more.



How inviting does this dish by Exeter-based caterers Fig & Smoke look in our mouth-watering catering feature on page 49?



Our dapper grooms section starts on page 80.



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Jurys Inn Exeter has unveiled a new look following a £1.95 million investment transforming the bedrooms, bar, restaurant and lobby.

The 170 refurbished bedrooms now feature a calming, pastel colour scheme complete with mural artwork of local attractions. Each one is home to an exclusive DREAM bed by Jurys Inn, designed with ultimate comfort in mind, and come fully equipped with high-speed WiFi, an en suite bathroom and flatscreen TV with Freeview. Guests can also upgrade to an executive bedroom with extra space and added amenities such as a mini-fridge, luxury toiletries, complimentary mineral water and late checkout.

Transformed public areas now feature a royal blue and orange colour palette giving a modern, elegant feel to the hotel. Throughout the day the modern bar and restaurant offer a new, contemporary dining menu, The Kitchen, which includes a wide range of delicious, comforting dishes for lunch and dinner, and there's also a Costa coffee bar and full room service available.

The new 'Off the Shelf' offering in the lobby is fully stocked with snacks, drinks and travel necessities.

Lauren Vine, General Manager of Jurys Inn Exeter says, "We are extremely excited to unveil a brand-new look across all bedrooms and public areas at Jurys Inn Exeter. We are delighted with the results of the refurbishment, which is just the start of a new chapter for the hotel and look forward to welcoming guests to the new look Jurys Inn Exeter."

The hotel is also delighted to announce that it received Four Star AA Accreditation, which was awarded immediately after inspection.

To book, visit www.jurysinns.com

EDITOR'S PICK

This heart-shaped Cornish Yarg wrapped in nettle is just one of the varieties available to order from award-winning cheesemakers Lynher Dairies based near Truro, Cornwall. Great as part of a cheese, biscuit and chutney buffet or a wedding cake of cheese, other products include Cornish Kern and Wild Garlic Yarg. To shop, visit www.lynherdairies.co.uk



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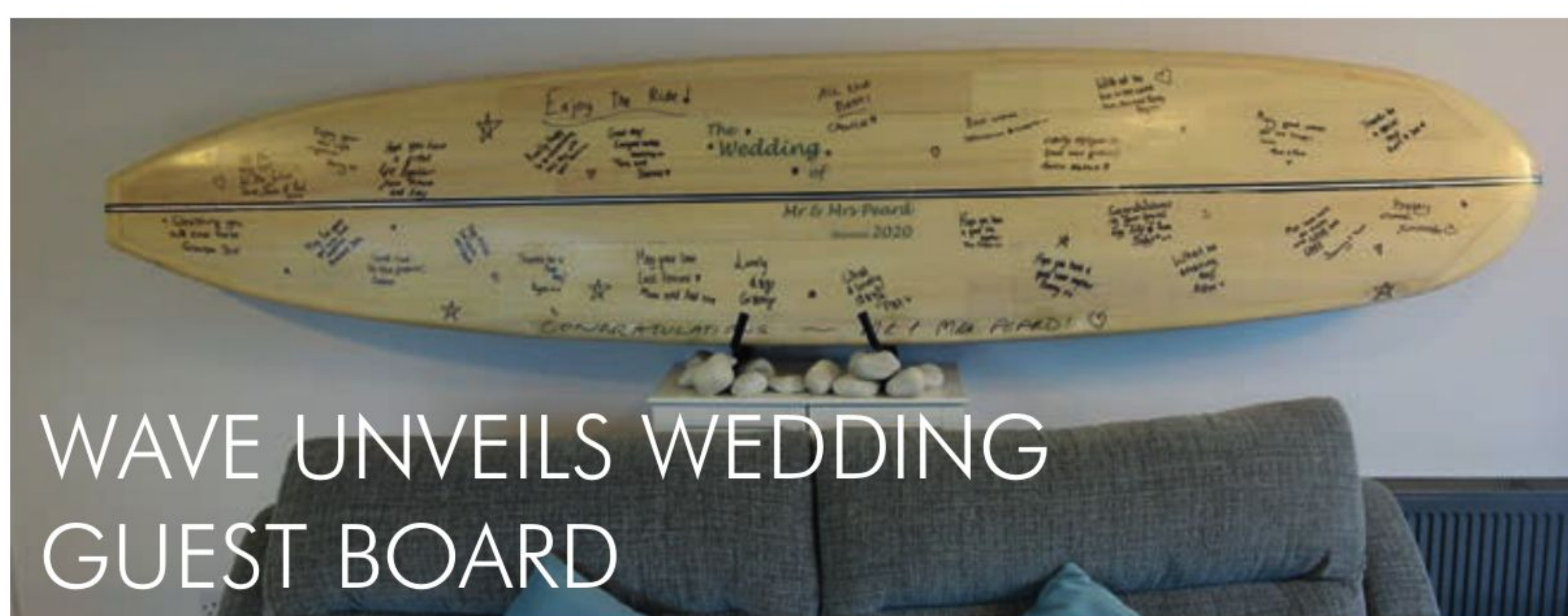
EDITOR LOVES

Surprise your groom on his wedding morning with this Salcombe pocket square, £45, from independent British silk accessory brand www.davidwatson.uk



Nearlywed NEWS

The latest news from around both counties



WAVE UNVEILS WEDDING GUEST BOARD

Wave, a surf craft-making business located in South Devon, has launched their wedding guest board as an alternative to the traditional guest book. Couples choose the dimensions and style of their hand-crafted, hollow surfboard that's environmentally friendly and sustainable and encourage guests to write messages on it on the wedding day which are then sealed using a layer of hardwearing, crystal clear resin (that can be cleaned like glass). To find out more, visit www.wave-boards.co.uk

FALMOUTH'S ST MICHAELS RESORT WINS TWO AWARDS

St Michaels Resort, a luxury beachside property in Falmouth, Cornwall, has won two Silver accolades at the South West Tourism Awards 2020. With a focus on wellness and wellbeing, the property underwent a multi-million-pound transformation and relaunch in 2018 that included a new destination



spa, state-of-the-art health club with a wide-ranging wellness offering, two unique restaurants, and coastal-inspired bedrooms in The Beach House.

The ceremony was held at Exeter Cathedral on Thursday 6 February 2020, with a record turnout for the annual event. It saw 107 awards presented following a rigorous judging process, in which 773 entries were considered. Resort Director Louise Uys-Jones, said, "We are thrilled to have come away with two Silver accolades, it's the icing on the cake after our success at the Cornwall Tourism Awards in November. To be recognised as one of the top players in the region's tourism industry is an honour and testament to our hard-working staff who are at the heart of our resort. The excitement can be felt across the whole team and we can't wait to celebrate together."

To book, visit www.stmichaelsresort.com



KITLEY HOUSE HOTEL & RESTAURANT IN PLYMOUTH, DEVON, SET TO HOST AUTUMN SHOWCASE

Kitley House Hotel & Restaurant in Plymouth, Devon, has announced the date of its Autumn Wedding Showcase on Thursday 1st October 2020 from 6-8 pm.

Recently named Devon's Best Wedding Venue in the Devon Tourism Awards 2019, the venue will be styled as it would be for a ceremony, wedding breakfast and reception, and guests will be welcomed as if they're attending a real wedding - with a toastmaster to guide them through each room and the order of service. They can discover the areas licensed for ceremonies, and meet the team. Freshly prepared canapés and a glass of bubbly will be available and many trusted suppliers will be on hand.

For further information, visit www.kitleyhousehotel.com

CUCKOO DOWN FARM NOW AVAILABLE FOR WEDDINGS

Cuckoo Down Farm, the award-winning glamping site located in East Devon, is now available for weddings for up to 150 guests.

Owners Becky and John Sheaves have been offering glamping holidays at this family-run farm for 12 years and couples can now book the site for a three-night wedding weekend from £3,895, with bookings being taken for 2021.

"This is a lovely setting for a farm or festival-style wedding with accommodation. Guests can all stay and make a weekend of it, it's a bit different and a lot of fun!" says Becky.

Couples can have a tipi or marquee at the farm and there's a beautiful glade in the oak woods perfect for outdoor ceremonies. Guests can enjoy the glamping safari tents or pitch their own.

Turn to page 19 to read more about this venue and to book, call 01404 811 714 or visit the website www.cuckoodownfarm.co.uk



Celtic & Co celebrate 30th anniversary this year

Luxury Cornish fashion brand Celtic & Co are set to celebrate 30 years in business this year. The brand has always been about renewable, natural and sustainable style. Founders and directors Nick and Kath Whitworth purchased the business in 1990 when it was then just a small footwear label, and now it sells sustainably produced and eco-friendly products across the globe. In April 2018, Celtic & Co received the Queen's Award for Enterprise in the International Trade.

The timeless collections are inspired by the beautifully rugged Cornish landscape and designed and, where possible, produced in Britain crafted solely from natural materials. This year, the brand will be launching iconic product revivals to celebrate the anniversary. To shop, visit www.celticandco.com



HOLNE PARK HOUSE WIN SUSTAINABILITY AWARD

Wedding venue Holne Park House located at the River Dart Country Park in Devon has been awarded Gold in the Ethical, Responsible and Sustainable Tourism Award and a Special Award for Energy Efficiency in the Visit Devon Tourism Awards 2019. In the same awards, the property also won Wedding Venue of the Year.

Located on the edge of Dartmoor at Ashburton, between Exeter and Plymouth, this beautiful house and private lawns are offered for exclusive-use weddings and are tucked away in 90 acres of gardens, lakes, rivers and woodland within the River Dart Country Park. Both River Dart and Holne Park House use the same energy sources and sustainable practices. All of the elegant reception rooms and the pretty outdoor pavilion at Holne Park House are licensed for weddings, and there's a wide range of accommodation options available for guests. The menu includes dishes made using freshly prepared, locally sourced ingredients where possible served with award-winning customer service.

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The four stunning designs are all made from the highest quality synthetic leather that's eco-friendly and vegan-approved and come in plain blue, metallic rose gold or these shades with an added cherry blossom print. They feature a necklace compartment with dual-sided snap anchors to keep items in place meaning no more tangles, and two zip pockets suitably sized to store bangles and rings. They can also hold up to 18 pairs of earrings, protecting the posts, and have an affordable price tag of £34.99.

Your Devon & Cornwall Wedding has teamed up with Berri to offer six lucky readers a jewellery case, and the winners can request which colour they would like to receive. Simply call 07532 064 909 or email info@berri-designs.com and the winners will be chosen at random after the closing date.

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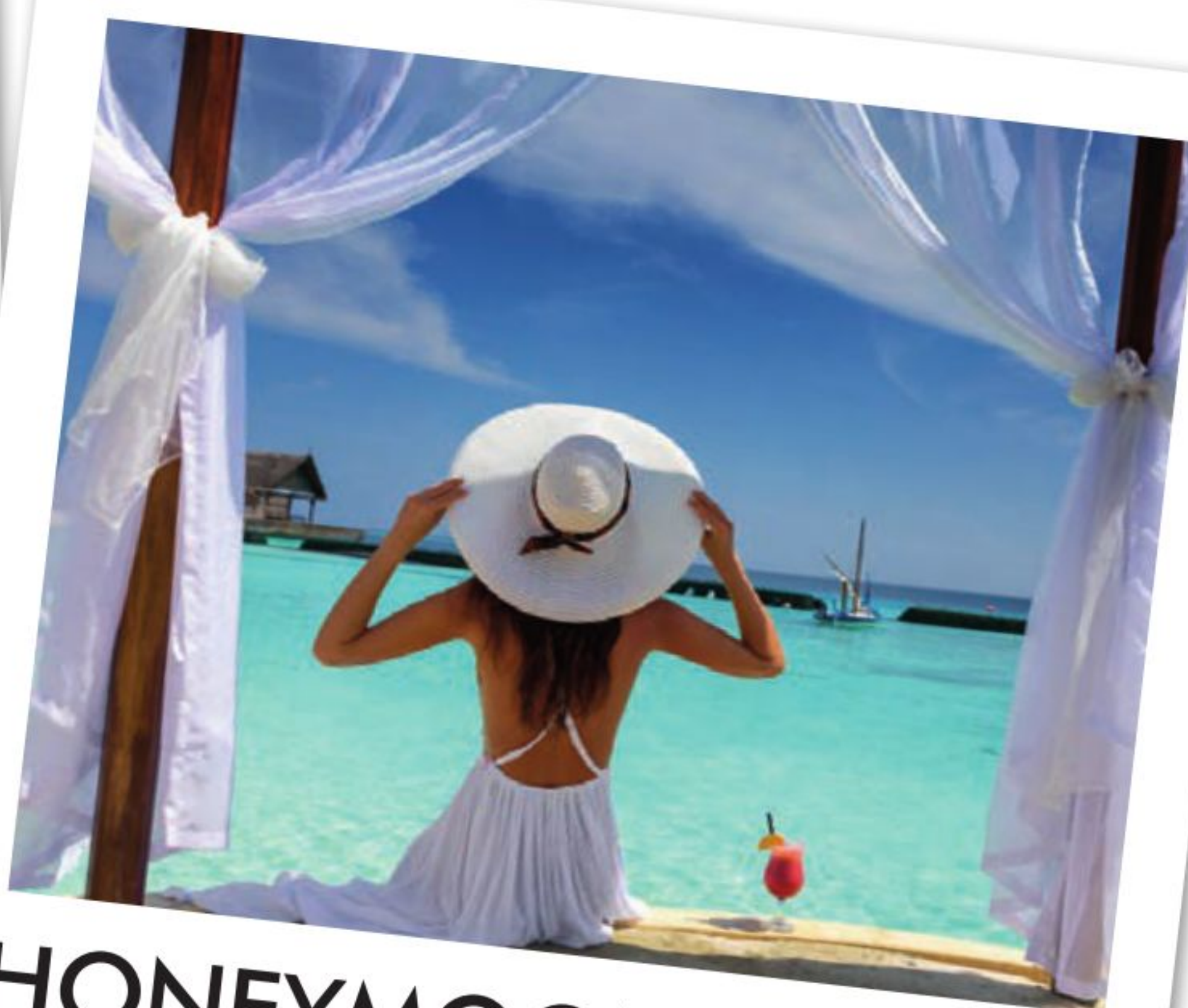
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CORNISH TIPI WEDDINGS, ST KEW

This quirky venue is located in a secret woodland valley situated just five minutes from the wild Atlantic coast and surrounded by 16 acres of countryside blooming with wild ferns, bluebells, ancient oaks and meadowsweet. There's a shimmering lake at the heart of it where ceremonies can take place by the water's edge. A romantic idea at dusk is to host a Festival of Light ceremony with floating candles and flowers released into the water.


Ceremonies are also conducted in the fully licensed wedding pavilion made from wood, willow and canvas, set deep in the heart of the secret valley by a clear brook. It seats up to 50 guests inside, with space for a further 50 loved ones outside on the decking. For larger weddings of more than 100 people, additional seating can be arranged outside. Straw bales covered with coloured rugs are a great way of accommodating larger numbers.

Post-ceremony drinks and canapés take place in the largest tipi structure, the Grand Lodge. It seats up to 20 guests or hosts up to 50 loved ones standing and is located in a woodland clearing. The purpose-built Safari tent marquee can seat up to 250 guests for the wedding breakfast and reception and sits on a wooden deck in a grassy meadow with room on the marquee lawn for guests to enjoy the great outdoors. There's the option of a barbecue or a woodland picnic, and weddings can be suitably themed, for example, a Mad Hatter's Tea Party. The firepit adds a romantic ambience at dusk, with guests toasting marshmallows, lighting sparklers and star-gazing.

The new Mr & Mrs can spend their wedding night in a tipi situated on a private site, and guests will receive a wedding guest discount when booking overnight accommodation in an on-site tipi.

Ceremony licence? Yes

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♥ **We love...** the secluded lake for wedding photographs. Couples can be photographed on the jetty, the floating pontoon, or inside the rowing boat.

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Ceremonies take place in a choice of three areas. The Willoughby Gallery is the largest room overlooking the castle

grounds seating up to 60 guests. The Blanchminster Gallery can seat up to 16 loved ones and also boasts beautiful views, and there's also the Conservatory Room with views stretching across the Atlantic Ocean that also accommodates up to 16 guests.

Buffet-style receptions are held in the Willoughby Gallery for up to 40 seated guests or up to 80 standing. There's a second, smaller room available best suited to a more intimate 20 seated guests or 30 standing.



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CAERHAYS ESTATE, ST AUSTELL

Tucked in a hidden Cornish cove on the unspoilt Porthluney Beach and hugged by woodland spring gardens sits this stunning coastal wedding venue.

Ceremonies take place in The Coastguards Lookout, a small, historic building hosting up to 20 nearest and dearest. Situated on the rural headland overlooking the coast, it offers stunning views over Veryan Bay and beyond, and the backdrop presents the perfect spot for photographs. There's also the opportunity for pictures to be taken down on the beach after the ceremony at no extra cost.

Alternatively, The Vean is a beautifully restored Georgian manor house nestled in the Porthluney valley that's licensed for ceremonies and can be hired exclusively. Couples can choose to host a private dinner the night before the wedding, and a marquee


can be erected on the lawn just outside seating up to 150 guests for the wedding breakfast and reception. There's also the option of using the terrace marquee attached to the side of the Vean to seat up to 70 loved ones. The house offers luxury accommodation with up to 16 guests staying in eight stylish bedrooms.

St Michael's Caerhays Church situated in Caerhays Village, a few minutes walk from The Vean, is another ceremony option, and outdoor ceremonies can also take place at Beach Meadow, a beachside marquee location. Receptions for up to 250 guests can take place here, overlooking Porthluney Cove Beach with access to the water's edge via a footpath. The site has disabled access and ample parking.

The Castle Field is another impressive location for the reception in a marquee for up to 250 guests, with views of the castle and lake.

Ceremony licence? Yes

Contact: 01637 872 444, www.lustyclaze.co.uk/weddings

 www.facebook.com/lustyclaze

♥ **We love...** the romantic atmosphere, especially as the sun sets under the twinkling of thousands of fairy lights.

LUSTY GLAZE BEACH WEDDINGS, NEWQUAY

This rustic, laidback venue is situated on its private beach in a secluded cove on the North Cornish coast and has been designed to reflect its surroundings with a restaurant, two bars, the Top Deck ceremony area and clear-fronted marquee allowing for panoramic views stretching across the Atlantic Ocean. It's not hard to see why the venue was voted the Best Coastal Wedding Venue in the UK Wedding Awards 2019, and also the UK's Best Beach by The Sunday Times.

Ceremonies take place on the Top Deck, a quintessentially coastal space with seating for up to 120 guests. Its bright, open design means that vows can be exchanged against uninterrupted sea views.

Alternatively, and new for 2019, couples can now elope in front of one of the coastal blue beach huts with just their witnesses and

the ocean. Ceremonies here can take place during the day, or as the sun is setting. Alternatively, a private area of the marquee can also host the ceremony.

Receptions take place in this marquee, with its wooden floor, in-built stage and fully equipped bar, seating up to 120 guests for the wedding breakfast and entertaining up to 250 loved ones for the evening reception. An additional area is the Beach Lounge with sand as its flooring, picnic benches for seating guests, and a wood-fired pizza oven and driftwood bar at one end. It features wall-to-wall seascapes – a great spot for a romantic reception at sunset!

Lusty Glaze is also home to two beautiful lodgings perched on the sand, The Cottage and The Chalet, which can be hired for the couple and their guests.

REGIONAL VENUES



Ceremony licence? Yes

Contact: 01637 861 200, www.bedruthan.com

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♥ **We love...** the indoor pool and spa which boasts a giant hydrotherapy pool, sauna and steam room. The hotel is also home to the Sensory Spa Garden, an outside thermal spa experience.

BEDRUTHAN HOTEL & SPA, MAWGAN PORTH

This award-winning, four-star hotel is known for its contemporary colour pop interiors and beachside setting. Distinctive from the outside, and true to its 1960s roots, the exterior of the building is a mix of white-painted brick and expanses of glass. It's surrounded by dune gardens and native plants and overlooks Mawgan Porth Beach and the Atlantic Ocean. Inside sees a collaboration where Scandi-chic meets Cornwall, and there are plenty of spaces in which to relax and enjoy the spectacular sunsets.

It's the ideal wedding venue for an elopement for two, an intimate day with loved ones, or a larger affair. Ceremonies take place for up to 50 guests in The Garden Room, an idyllic space set in the dune gardens, ideal for small wedding parties or elopements. Guests dine at one long trestle table and after the wedding breakfast, they can enjoy toasting marshmallows over the firepit.

For larger ceremonies of up to one hundred guests, with room for a further fifty in the evening, there's The Venue, a versatile space with its private entrance, reception, bar area, sunset terrace and a beautiful view of Mawgan Porth beach.

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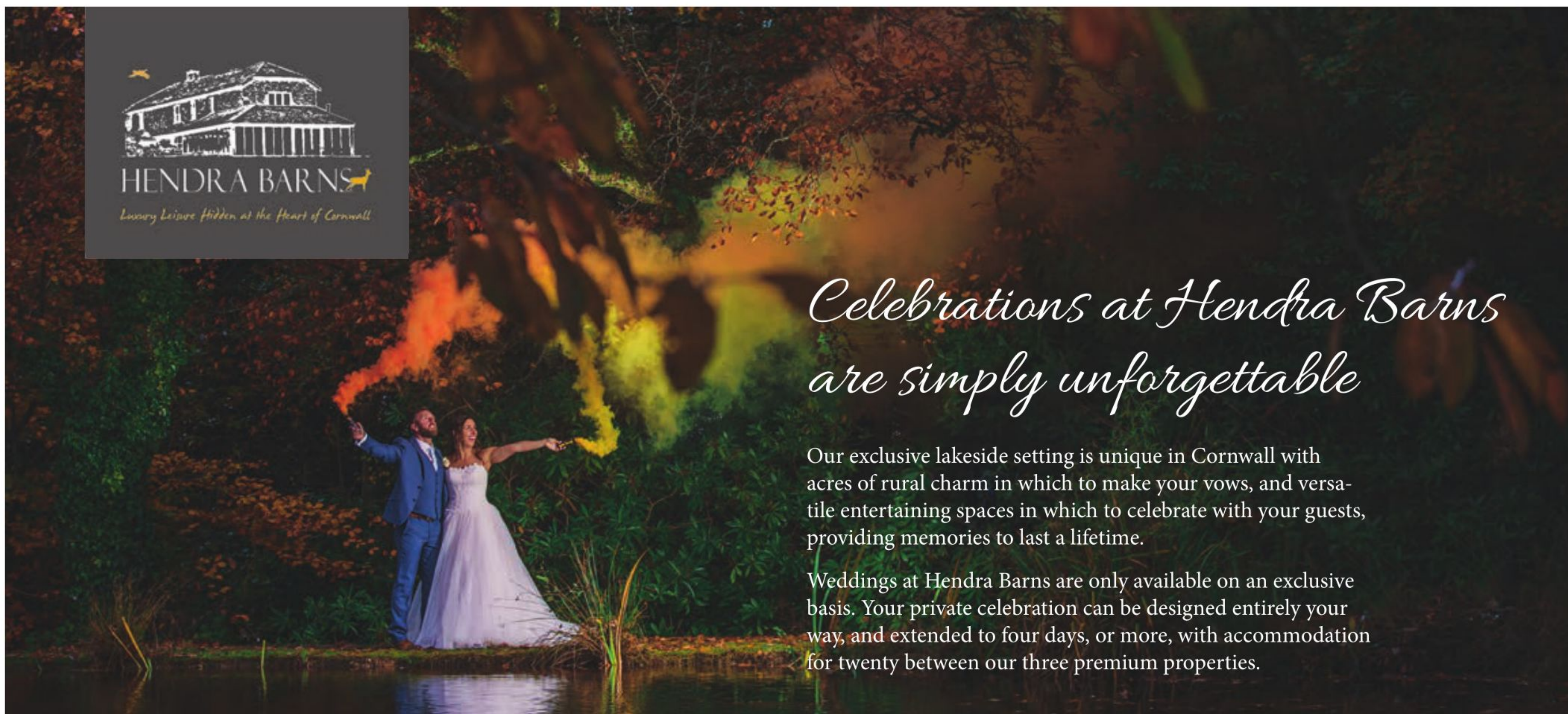
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KNIGHTOR WINERY, TRETHURGY, CORNWALL

Knightor is a beautiful courtyard of historic and traditionally restored granite barns with an adjoining farmhouse used for on-site accommodation.

The winery is set in four acres of vineyards, pasture and orchard in a secluded area of countryside nestled just above St Austell Bay. The grounds include a sunny courtyard perfect for drinks and dining al fresco, pretty cottage gardens that surround the farmhouse and lead to the arbour, and a wildlife pond which is a stunning outdoor blessing location.

The main Threshing Barn comprises an oak-topped barrel bar, comfy sofas and a dancefloor on the ground floor, with doors leading out to the sunny courtyard. On the second floor, the large room filled with natural daylight has vaulted ceilings, oak beams and stone walls offering a traditional Cornish barn feel.

Ceremonies take place indoors and out. The second floor of the Threshing Barn, that has disabled access, holds up to 90 guests and is used for all indoor ceremonies. Outside, the arbour overlooking the pond and lawns leading down to the orchard is a traditional oak structure with a Cornish slate roof and seats up to 90 loved ones on rustic-inspired straw bales. It's a peaceful spot for small and large gatherings, and the nearby pond makes a wonderful photo opportunity in summer when it's topped with lily pads and surrounded by bulrushes and wildflowers. Blessings can take place here, as well as in the orchard and vine polytunnel, and it's also a

superb spot for drinks and canapés.

The wedding breakfast and reception takes place in the Threshing Barn for up to 120 guests seated, or 160 loved ones standing during the evening. Guests have the option to relax upstairs with dancing taking place downstairs, and the venue benefits from a late licence.

For those wanting to host all of their celebrations outside, the courtyard can be set up for outdoor dining for up to 120 guests seated at long banquet tables in addition to the top table. It's also a great spot for a drinks reception and looks romantic at night decorated with festoon lighting and bunting. Within the courtyard, there's a small lawn, ideal for a spot of croquet. More garden games and even a traditional egg-and-spoon race can be arranged in the orchard and most of the site is safe for children, although there's a designated children's play area. An outdoor kitchen can be set up in the courtyard, where the in-house chefs will cook over a fire in front of guests, and during the evening, firepits are permitted along with live music until 11 pm so those wanting a festival-theme wedding with a band and DJ can make full use of the outside space. The first dance under the candlelit arbour is a very special option.

A marquee can be erected in the courtyard and orchard, and guests can enjoy the accommodation available in the farmhouse, or, tipis or yurts can be hired and pitched in the orchard for more accommodation options.

♥ *We love...* that the wedding barns and gardens are set within the same grounds as the boutique, working winery producing still and sparkling wines and Cornish vermouth. Couples wanting to incorporate the winery element into their wedding can do so with photographs taken amongst the stillages and oak barrels. Wine tours and tastings for guests can be arranged as part of the wedding entertainment.

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Ceremony licence? Yes

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www.knightor.com

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THE GRAIN STORE, KINGSBRIDGE, DEVON

The Grain Store is a new wedding and party venue set in the heart of Devon on the site of a traditional English farm, offering complete privacy, accessed via a tree-lined drive, and boasting sea views across Start Bay. After sitting empty for years, the barn has been lovingly transformed into the perfect wedding location able to host up to 200 guests. It boasts a dancefloor, stylish bar, cartwheel chandeliers, soft up-lighting, silk parachutes strung from the ceiling and fairy lights scattered throughout, creating a magical, romantic ambience. Hire of The Grain Store includes exclusive-use from the Friday to the Monday allowing couples time to style it, plus accommodation at the farmhouse, a five-star, seven-bedroom house

featuring luxury interiors that sleeps up to fourteen wedding guests.

Ceremonies take place in The Grain Store itself for up to 200 guests seated, or a blessing can be held in the tranquil garden adjoining the farmhouse, that's bordered by old stone walls and has a south-facing stone terrace with steps leading down into the garden. There's also the option of a ceremony in the idyllic field located close to the beach, again for up to 200 loved ones.

Receptions can take place in a marquee here in this field, with the capacity varying, depending on the choice of the marquee. Alternatively, The Grain Store can also be used for a reception for up to 200 loved ones.

Ceremony licence? Yes

Contact: 07795 271 194,

www.thegrainstoreweddings.co.uk

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We love... the neutral layout and style, allowing guests to add a personal touch and the list of recommended local wedding suppliers that the venue provides, although couples can use whoever they wish.

TREVENNA, LISKEARD, CORNWALL

Located in a secluded setting within 142 acres of the Cornish countryside, Trevenna is a cluster of elegant barns and a cosy farmhouse that accommodates up to 40 wedding guests.

The views provide a beautiful backdrop for photographs, and the grounds provide plenty of opportunities for guests to explore, with meadow walks and games on the lawn.

Ceremonies take place in a choice of areas. Outside, the beautiful Arbour constructed from solid oak and natural slate using traditional carpentry skills can be styled with drapes to create a soft and romantic look, or the posts and beams can be adorned with ivy, flowers or bunting. It's surrounded by open countryside views and holds up to 120 guests.

Inside, the Threshing Barn provides a light and airy ceremony space for up to 80 loved ones with natural tones of exposed stone and wood. Brides (or grooms) may choose to make an entrance down the contemporary glass and walnut staircase. The real log fire and underfloor heating ensure it's cosy during the winter.

The Garden Venue, hosting up to 120 guests, is a versatile space leading from the Threshing Barn so that guests don't have to venture outside. The theme of this space brings the outside in, with the views stretching across the Arbour Lawn, Garden Meadow and over to Berry Tor.

Receptions take place in The Threshing Barn Bar for up to 120 guests, with the feature bar made from walnut and oak, creating a focal point for celebrations. On sunny days, guests can venture out onto the Arbour Lawn and the rest of the extensive grounds to enjoy celebration drinks and canapés.



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Each fully equipped barn has been lovingly restored and decorated to a very high standard by owners Ken and Maggie, providing a blank canvas for couples to create their dream celebration. On the day, this family-run venue offers wedding coordination to ensure everything runs smoothly.

Hendra Barn, sleeping ten guests, boasts a beautiful conservatory offering panoramic views across the valley to open farmland. The Coach House sleeps six people, and Little Hendra can accommodate up to four.

Ceremonies take place inside and out. The Lakeside conservatory is licensed for up to 60 guests and offers the perfect alternative to an outdoor ceremony with its abundance of natural daylight and exceptional views. Those wanting to get married outside can do so in the hand-crafted oak arbour that's nestled by the side of the lake offering magnificent views stretching for miles. The structure itself is licensed for up to twenty loved ones and there's plenty of space for guests to sit just outside and around it, or inside in the nearby wedding marquee. The terraced lawns rolling down to the area, that includes a picture-perfect lake, provide wonderful photo opportunities and the large flat lawn is the ideal location for erecting a marquee, tipi, yurt or dome for the reception for up to 160 guests. Electricity and water are provided along with the use of the bar and toilets.

Receptions can also take place in the purpose-built function room with its vaulted glass ceiling and exposed oak beams. Trifold doors open on to the terrace and beyond that to the gardens. Hand-made tables and chairs are provided along with a bar, three toilets and a fully fitted kitchen for wedding caterers to use. The venue is licensed for live music, a DJ and the sale of alcohol until midnight. Up to seventy guests can be seated in this room, and there's sufficient space for a further twenty evening guests. Should even more space be required, an add-on marquee can be hired that fits on to the



front of the building, seating up to 100 guests with an additional 20 evening ones.

The grounds provide the perfect space for guests to mingle and enjoy garden games. Hay bales are provided as seating during the evening when guests can enjoy toasting marshmallows over the firepit and watching a finale of fireworks.

Ceremony licence? Yes

Contact: 01872 510 884, www.hendrabarns.co.uk

www.facebook.com/HendraBarnsCountryBreaks

♥ *We love...* that the woodlands are blooming with bluebells in the spring, offering an enchanting setting for photographs.



HALLSANNERY HOUSE, BIDEFORD, DEVON

This stunning Grade II listed manor house set high on a hilltop is surrounded by 60 acres of parkland and fields, offering incredible views across the Taw Torridge Estuary. With the sandy beaches of Westward Ho! and Instow just a 15-minute drive away, barefoot beach wedding photographs are a possibility. A fantastic photographic backdrop at the venue is the East Lawn where the rhododendrons are in bloom during early summer.

Hallsannery is home to 11 stylish en suite bedrooms, reception rooms boasting period features, and a wow-factor hall, not to mention the dining room with its showcase chandelier. It specialises in exclusive wedding weekends.

Ceremonies take place in a variety of places. The Portico, with its grand Georgian pillars, provides an opportunity to create the ultimate open-air ceremony, with no limits on the capacity. Inside, there's the hall holding up to 80 guests for a ceremony, with its ornate cornice, and stunning lanterns. The light and airy Morning Room offers beautiful views over the front lawn and is ideal for more intimate gatherings of up to 30 loved ones. The Drawing

Room offers the opportunity for a summer ceremony for up to 30 people with doors leading on to the garden, and the Dining Room, with its parquet flooring, stunning chandeliers and opulent gold silk curtains, offers a larger space for up to 100 guests.

Pimms and canapés are served on the terrace to the front of the house (there's no corkage charge at the venue), and a string quartet can play in the nearby summer house with guests enjoying croquet on the lawn.

Inside, the Hall and adjacent reception rooms offer impressive surroundings for after-ceremony drinks, if the weather changes.

The wedding breakfast is served in the Dining Room for up to 70 guests seated at round or long tables, whilst larger weddings will require a marquee. The evening entertainment also takes place here as space is seamlessly transformed into a dancefloor and bar area, ideal for those wanting to entertain in one space.

Those hiring a marquee should consider a tipi to make the most of the far-reaching views over the river, town and towards Exmoor, whilst more traditional marquees enjoy the shelter of the East Lawn.

Ceremony licence? Yes

Contact: 01237 439078, www.hallsannery.co.uk

♥ *We love...* the magnificent spiral staircase, perfect for speeches, cutting the cake and photographs.



HOLNE PARK HOUSE, ASHBURTON, DEVON

This exclusive-use manor house is located on the edge of the Dartmoor National Park in 90 acres of woodland and gardens. It offers a selection of accommodation options, including an opulent wedding suite for newlyweds, and camping close by for wedding guests in their four-star, AA-approved River Dart Country Park camping and touring park.

Ceremonies take place in a choice of indoor and outdoor locations. The Garden Pavilion is situated in a stunning countryside setting, while The Ballroom with its high ceilings and large windows offers an elegant indoor option for up to 120 guests. There's also The Dawson Room hosting up to 90 loved ones, The Inkwell with its glass lantern roof and marble fireplace holding up to 80 loved ones, and The Music Room and The Ashburton Room best suited to more intimate gatherings of between 33 to 40 guests.

The wedding breakfast can be hosted in a variety of these areas with a selection of menus on offer using freshly prepared, locally sourced produce.

Ceremony licence? Yes

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DEER'S LEAP RETREAT, SOUTH MOLTON, DEVON

This idyllic country venue, set in its own secluded valley, offers far-reaching views across pastoral fields and hills. The converted barn, nestled in the garden next to the all-season tennis court framed by pretty flower borders that doubles as a platform for marquees and outdoor parties, features bare stone walls inside and out, and oozes rustic charm. It also has its own patio complete with fire heaters, outdoor festoon lighting, tables ideal for seating groups of guests and comfortable seating.

The homely farmhouse is more than 900-years old and combines a timeless ambience with comfort and modern luxuries, like the twin hot tubs and sauna. The three reception rooms and nine bedrooms revealing low beams, wonky doors and inglenook fireplaces, house close family members and the venue specialises in exclusive weekend and overnight weddings. Couples will have use of the Honeymoon Suite in Hartford Cottage for the duration of their wedding stay.

Ceremonies can be held in four locations, including outside at The Lakeside Gazebo for up to 150 guests. This rustic wooden structure has been constructed using timber from the grounds and sits under a canopy of trees next to the lake, offering unrivalled views.

The Stone Barn is also licensed for up to 150 guests and is home

to wooden beams, two large iron cartwheels as chandeliers, a stone floor, and a log burner for warmth. The barn offers plenty of natural daylight thanks to the floor-to-ceiling windows.

There's also the option of saying 'I do' in the Farmhouse Dining Room for a smaller gathering of up to 55 loved ones, and in the Farmhouse Lounge for up to 50 guests.

Receptions take place in a selection of areas including in a marquee on the lawn for between 75 to 150 people seated. Couples are free to choose their marquee supplier giving them flexibility and control over their budget, and past weddings have enjoyed glass-roof structures.

A stretch canvas structure by the lake can hold between 75 and 100 guests for a rustic buffet or Argentinian barbecue, with guests seated on hay bales or chairs. Tipis, Bedouin tents and festival big tops can also be erected at this spot.

The Stone Barn seats up to 125 guests theatre or cabaret-style, while The Farmhouse entertains a more intimate gathering of between 25 to 55 guests. Alternatively, guests can enjoy a picnic by the lake sitting on ornate rugs or tartan picnic blankets and the sunsets here are the cherry on the cake.

This family-run venue can provide a babysitting service, so parents can relax, and more mature members of the family can retreat to the farmhouse for some quiet time.

Ceremony licence? Yes

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♥ *We love...* that the catering can be tailored to each couple's requirements, with good local and national supplier recommendations and the option of self-catering.



SCORRIER HOUSE, REDRUTH, CORNWALL

This family-owned ancient country house is situated in four hundred acres of private parkland and historic gardens deep in the heart of Cornwall, providing a mystical setting for exclusive-use weddings, ensuring privacy. A magnificent sweeping driveway and double staircase, that looks fantastic dressed with flowers under a string of fairy lights, provide great photo opportunities.

Ceremonies take place in The Grand Hall, home to this staircase, for up to 120 guests, or, if the weather allows, in the

outdoor gazebo located in the pool garden opposite the botanic conservatory. Two other ceremony alternatives are the light-filled conservatory and elegant Drawing Room.

The wedding breakfast takes place in The Grand Hall for up to 120 loved ones seated, and the reception can also take place here, or in a marquee that can be added with direct access to the house. The Drawing Room is ideal for dancing, and the Blue Library is home to a wood burner and provides the perfect spot for guests to recline in.

Ceremony licence? Yes

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♥ *We love...* the extensive list of recommended local wedding suppliers that range from a three-piece orchestra to a kitsch ice cream van for hire. Accommodation is provided on-site for up to 20 friends and family in the beautifully converted Stable House, along with rooms inside the main house, and there's plenty of great hotel and bed and breakfast options in the area with the estate being close to Truro, Redruth and Falmouth.



MIDDLE COOMBE FARM, TIVERTON, DEVON

This tranquil venue is set in the heart of the rolling Devonshire countryside. Nestled in a private valley, it's surrounded by more than 400 acres of mixed woodland, meadows and pasture, all of which can be used during a wedding celebration. The Grade II listed farmhouse provides guest accommodation and is surrounded by established cottage gardens brimming with colour, perfect for big-day photographs. There's also a converted barn boasting original features that can sleep up to 20 loved ones, and guests can use the private swimming pool and hot tub.

Ceremonies take place in the traditional cider barn for up to 100

Ceremony licence? Yes

Contact: 01884 821 176,

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♥ *We love...* that picnics can also be arranged in the meadow or under the ancient oak tree deep in the heart of the woods.



guests, or, for more intimate celebrations, in the Drawing Room inside the farmhouse. There's also an outdoor ceremony site set in the heart of the woodland that's perfect for hand-fasting ceremonies and blessings.

The wedding breakfast and reception can also take place in the traditional cider barn, again for up to 100 guests, that's home to the original cider press, a glorious space for pre-wedding drinks and canapés. There's also the option of a luxury marquee overlooking the meadow and the farmhouse is the perfect choice for small and elopement weddings.



CUCKOO DOWN FARM, NR SIDMOUTH, DEVONSHIRE

This glamping and holiday site, and new wedding venue, is located near the World Heritage Coastline at Sidmouth in the East Devon Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, surrounded by 30 acres of unspoilt meadows and a three-acre oak and bluebell wood with a stream running through it where deer, badgers and owls can frequently be spotted.

The farm is home to four beautifully decorated safari lodges accommodating up to six adults and two yurts providing glamping for up to four adults (or a family including two children) – ideal for wedding guests. Facilities include hot showers, wood-burning stoves

Ceremony licence? Yes

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♥ *We love...* that couples are invited to stay at the farm free-of-charge ahead of the wedding for a planning weekend.



and cosy sofas, rugs and double beds and the newest safari lodge called Blackberry features a private wood-fired hot tub.

The site can be exclusively booked for a wedding for up to 170 guests in total and includes (but is not limited to) access from 4 pm on Friday until 10 am on Monday for weekend weddings; glamping for up to 36 guests; additional camping and campervan sites and parking available for all guests; the wedding glade in the woods decorated with hay bales for the ceremony; a farm tractor and trailer ride for the couple, and no corkage charges.

Turn to page nine to read more about this stunning location as a wedding venue.



Out of the ORDINARY

Sophie and Travis enjoyed their wedding in
a tipi against a stunning Cornish
beach backdrop

Images courtesy of Josh Harkon

Sophie and Travis Bulbeck married
at Porth-en-Alls, Prussia Cove in
Cornwall on 8th June 2019.



Sophie and Travis met when he visited Australia on a working holiday visa. “It was a trip that his family thought would only last a couple of weeks,” Sophie tells us. “We both attended a cocktail tasting night through work and it was there that we got chatting. This was followed by a Facebook friend request and the rest, as they say, is history!” The couple became engaged underneath the washing line at Travis’s parents’ house on a trip to Australia! “He assures me that he planned to propose a few months later when we were going to be in New Zealand but he lost his nerve and just asked me sooner!” Sophie tells us. “He proposed with his great grandmother’s ring and then we went ring shopping together which was romantic.”

SETTING THE SCENE

“We love the location where we married and it was the only venue that we both viewed,” Sophie tells us. “A key thing for us was having space for our guests to stay over and the house itself slept 36 people plus there was camping available on-site. We also wanted to be able to celebrate with everyone over a couple of days.”

The couple certainly did just that, hosting a surf contest and pizza picnic beforehand, and a barbecue the day following the wedding whilst watching the England v Australia cricket match. “We hired a surf simulator and ordered lots of takeaway pizzas for our guests on the Thursday before the big day,” Sophie tells us. “It was a great ice-breaker because our wedding was the first time that our families had met.”

The couple’s day followed a tropical theme with some personal touches. “Our flowers included Australian varieties and dried wheat because I grew up on a farm,” Sophie tells us. “Another nod to Australia was the sugar flowers that decorated our cake. They were made by Travis’s auntie who couldn’t travel over for the wedding. They were placed on a beautiful cake made by my sister and auntie.”

Sophie made the table plan and signage herself at a craft workshop. “I laser-cut the table plan and learnt a new skill in the process!” she says. “We also had personalised glasses used as place settings and favours, and a fabulous finishing touch was our large painted ceremony backdrop that a friend made for us using the colours of our theme. It also made a good photographic backdrop for our guests later in the day and now it’s hung on our wall at home.”

Sophie and Travis wanted to serve their guests something a bit different. “We both work in the wedding industry every weekend so wanted something different to the ideas we regularly see,” Sophie tells us. “We chose to start with

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food from the grill that was our version of canapés. We had Thai yellow monkfish, octopus, sticky Korean pork, beef carpaccio and asparagus with hollandaise sauce. We then displayed grazing boards of charcuterie made by Travis and our friend Marc from Duchy Charcuterie using beef from my dad's farm, different varieties of cheese, hummus, sweet potato butter, burnt grapes, pickles and focaccia from St Ives Bakery. This was finished off with a Krispy Kreme doughnut bar complete with sauces, sprinkles and glitter spray for people to make their own!"

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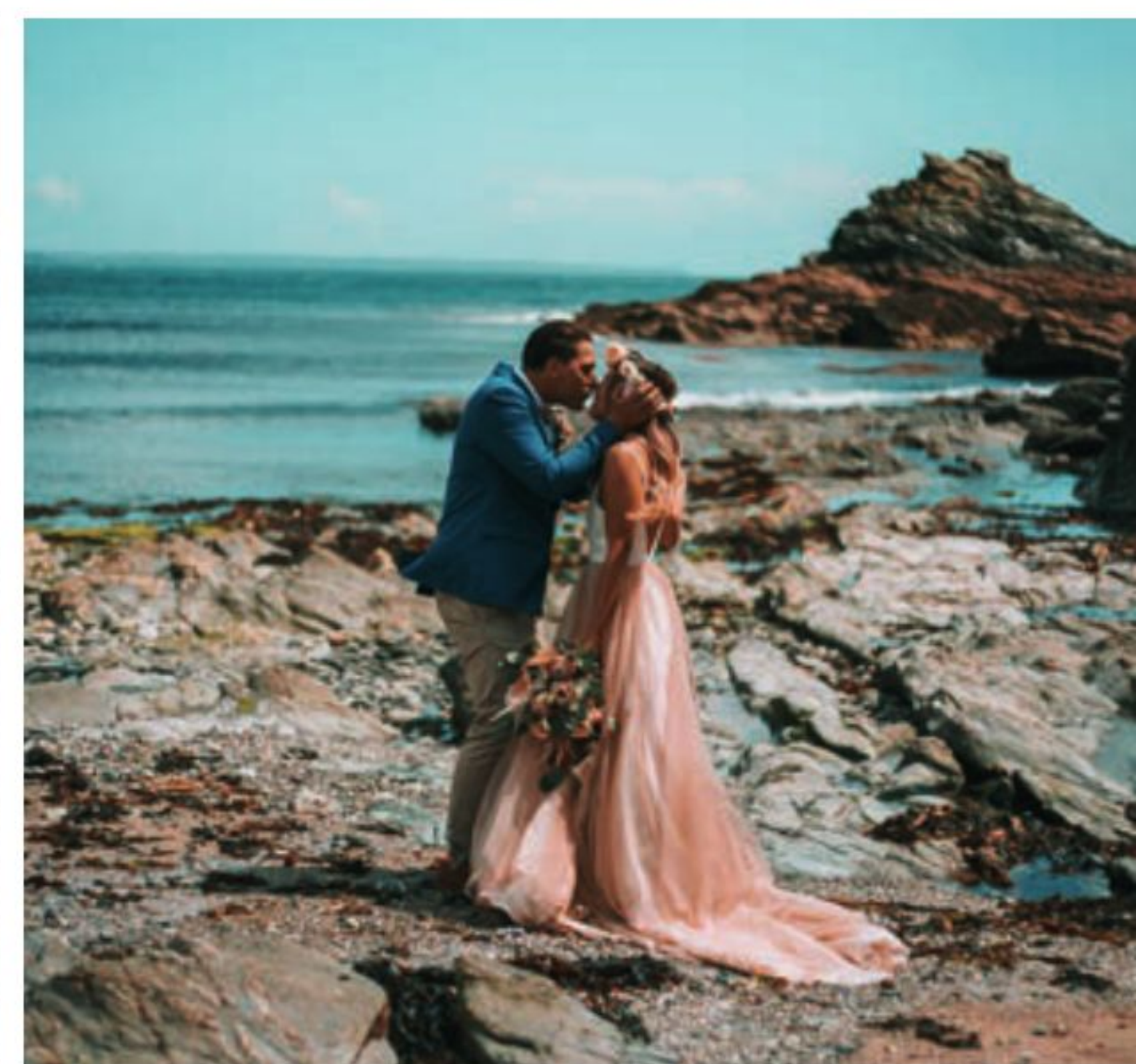
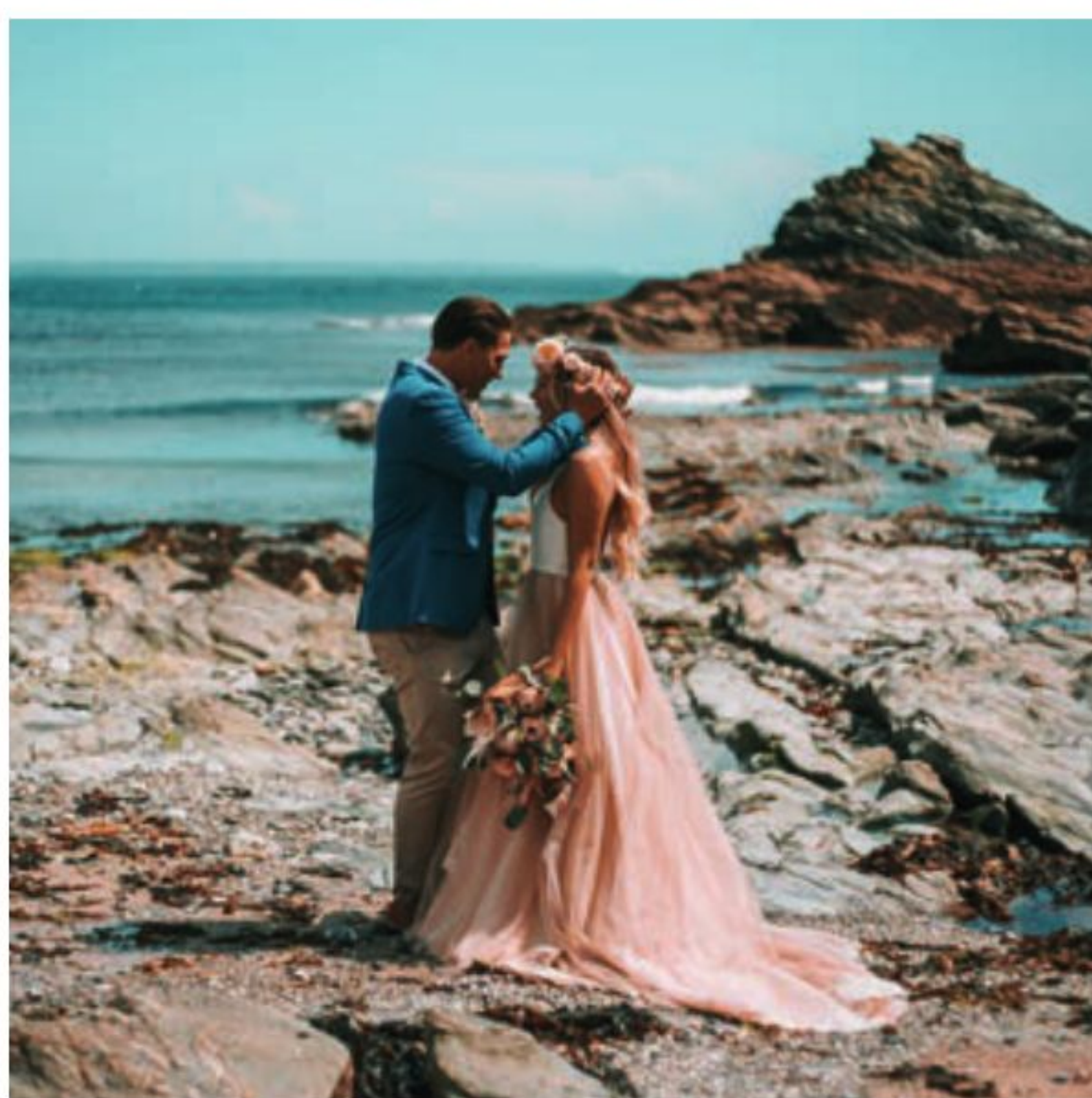
"I wore a stunning pink dress by the designer Chantel Lauren and felt so much more myself when I tried it on than I did in any of the white gowns," Sophie tells us. "I loved the hand-painted silk underskirt which made it feel different than anything I had seen before."

This colour was also used in the bridesmaids' dresses. "They all wore pink like me but each had a different style because they were all different dress sizes so I didn't want them wearing one type that they may have felt uncomfortable in," Sophie says.

Travis wore a slightly different look to his groomsmen. "He loved the jacket but it had sold out in all the other sizes that were needed so his groomsmen wore a different style that still coordinated with his," Sophie explains.

TIME TO CELEBRATE

"We surprised our guests with a live illustration taking place throughout our ceremony," Sophie tells us. "We also had an eco-glitter bar during the reception, a band, a DJ, and a flash mob to finish the ceremony that was a huge hit with everyone! The Chorus, an a cappella choir from The Falmouth & Exeter Students' Union, performed their version of *All You Need Is Love* by The Beatles that made our day!"



"I would highly recommend investing in a wedding videographer because the day seems to pass so quickly and it's a magical way of reliving it." – Sophie

“We had a wedding coordinator on the day. It meant that we could completely pass over the running of it to someone else and weren’t having to speak to multiple suppliers during the morning of the wedding. We didn’t want to be in work mode!” – Sophie



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Spring is in the air

The stunning Rockbeare Manor was the backdrop to Lee-Ann and Gary's seasonal-themed day

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Lee-Ann and Gary Yelland married at St Luke's, Countess Wear church in Exeter, Devon, followed by a reception at Rockbeare Manor, also near Exeter, on 30th March 2019.

Lee-Ann and Gary met on a night out with friends. "This was 17 years ago now, we have known one another a long time!" Lee-Ann tells us.

The couple became engaged during a surprise proposal in October 2017 at Gary's parent's house where he had organised a big family get together. "He had just completed the Great West Run so I thought this was the reason for the party," Lee-Ann explains. "He arranged for me to arrive last in order to get the family arranged in the garden. He gave our two sons, nieces and nephews a letter card each to hold up that spelt the words 'will you marry me!' It was such a wonderful surprise!"

Here, Lee-Ann tells us about their big day at the stunning Rockbeare Manor with a spring theme.



Our guests loved the mouth-watering dishes and drinks prepared and served by the team at Rockbeare Manor.



Our chosen venue suited our taste and requirements perfectly. It had a very fine English feel to it and the grounds were stunning.



Our table plan consisted of two flower planters filled with fresh spring flowers and featured the numbers and names for each table mounted on bamboo sticks and planted between the flowers – it looked so pretty!



On the day itself, the sun was shining and our church and wedding venue both looked magical.



We had wooden table numbers placed on each table and the place names were made using cards cut out in the shape of hummingbirds sat on each wine glass.

“Our wedding gift from Gary’s sister, Stacy, and her family was a three-day honeymoon to Amsterdam!” – Lee-Ann



The staircase at Rockbeare Manor was decorated with a swag of blooms and we also had floral pew ends in the church, all made by Alice and her fab team at From the Wild.



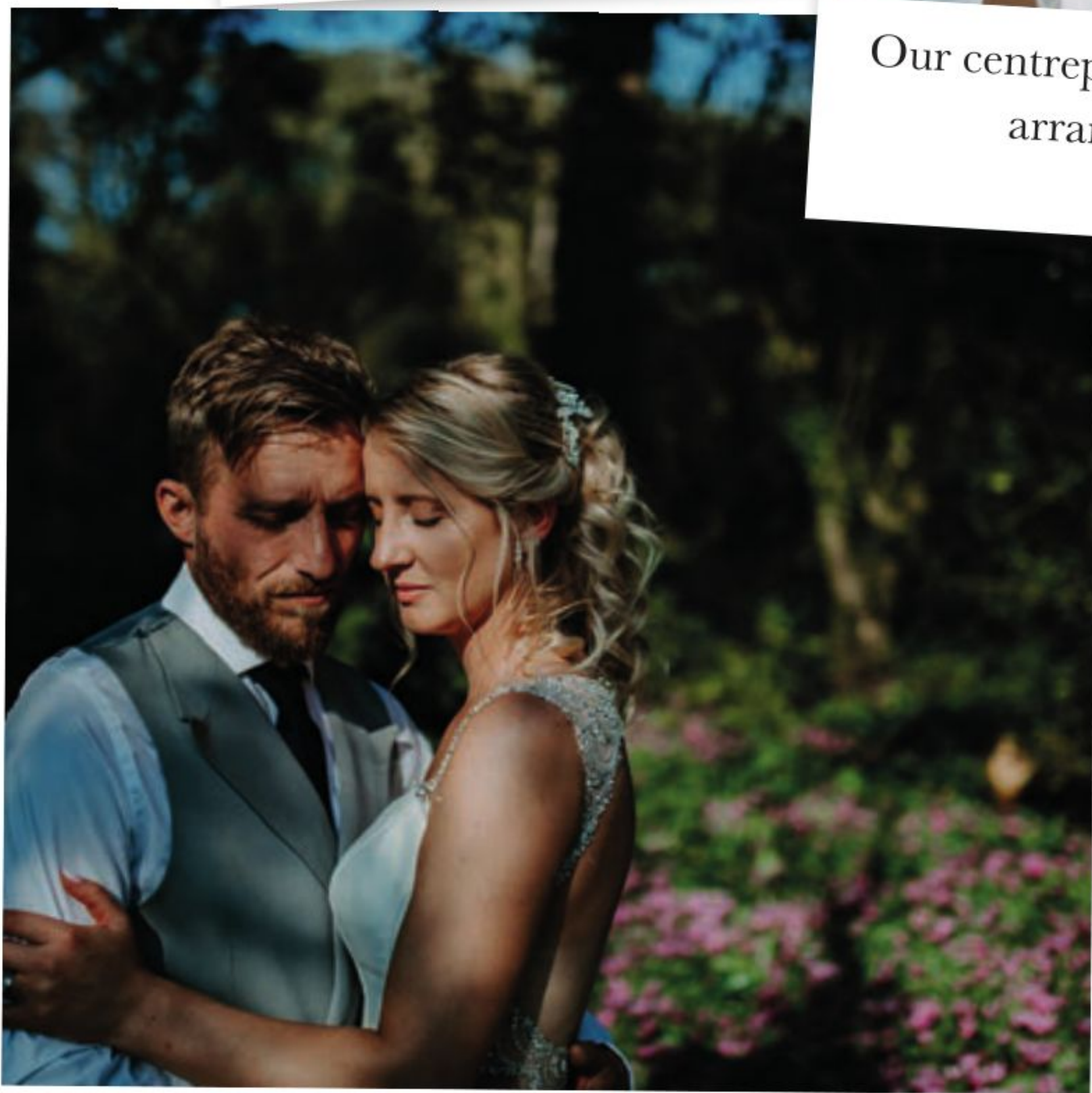
Alice also created a backdrop made from copper wiring that featured different single-stem flower varieties and suspended it behind our top table – it was a real talking point!



Our favours were small Mason jars filled with pink gin and raspberries.



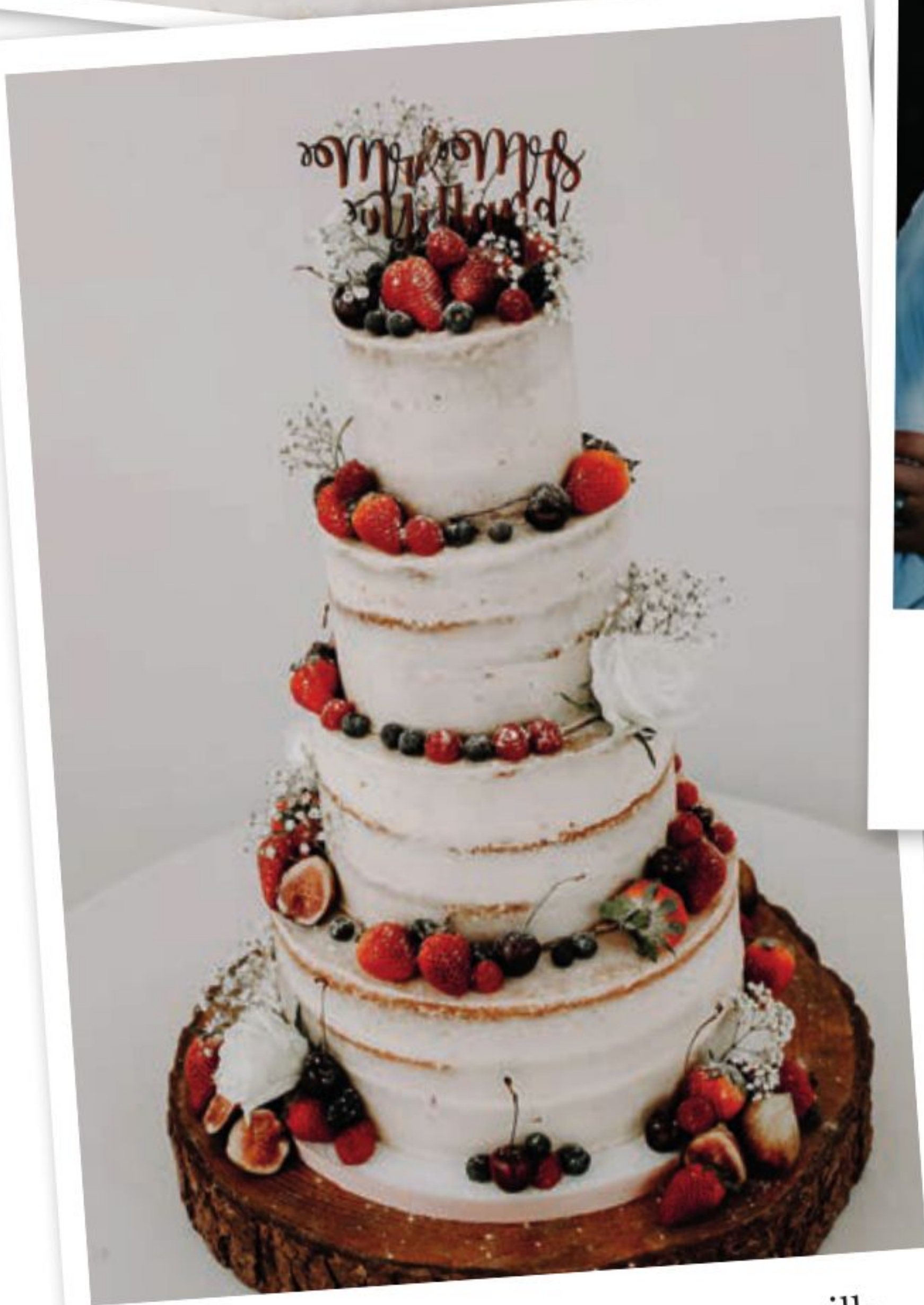
Our centrepieces looked stunning – our talented florist arranged fresh flowers with candles and wooden love letters.



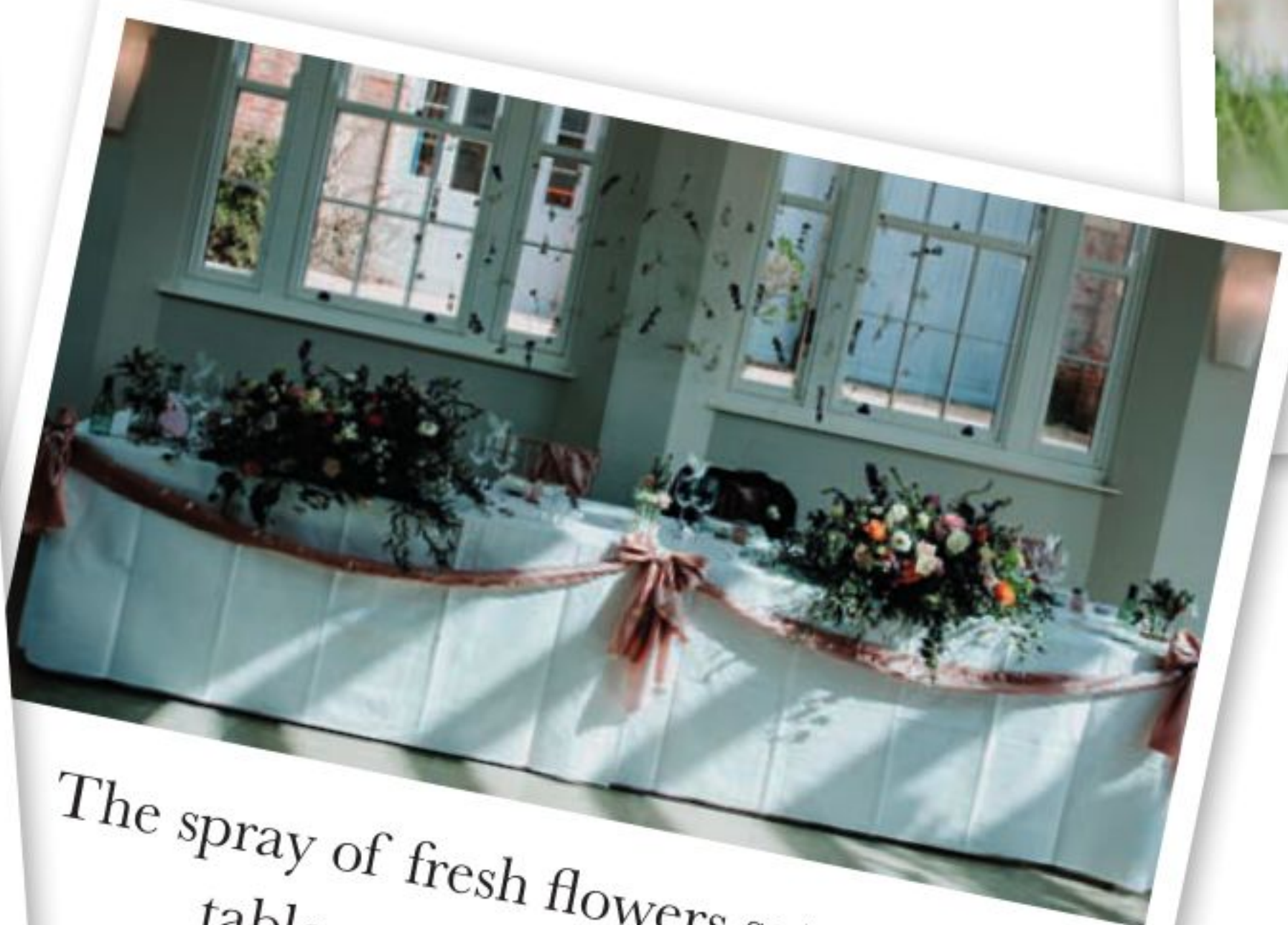
I adored my white fishtail gown with diamanté straps and peep-hole back detail. It was purchased from LA Boutique which is a charity-run business.



Gary looked so handsome in his navy two-piece suit teamed with a grey waistcoat.



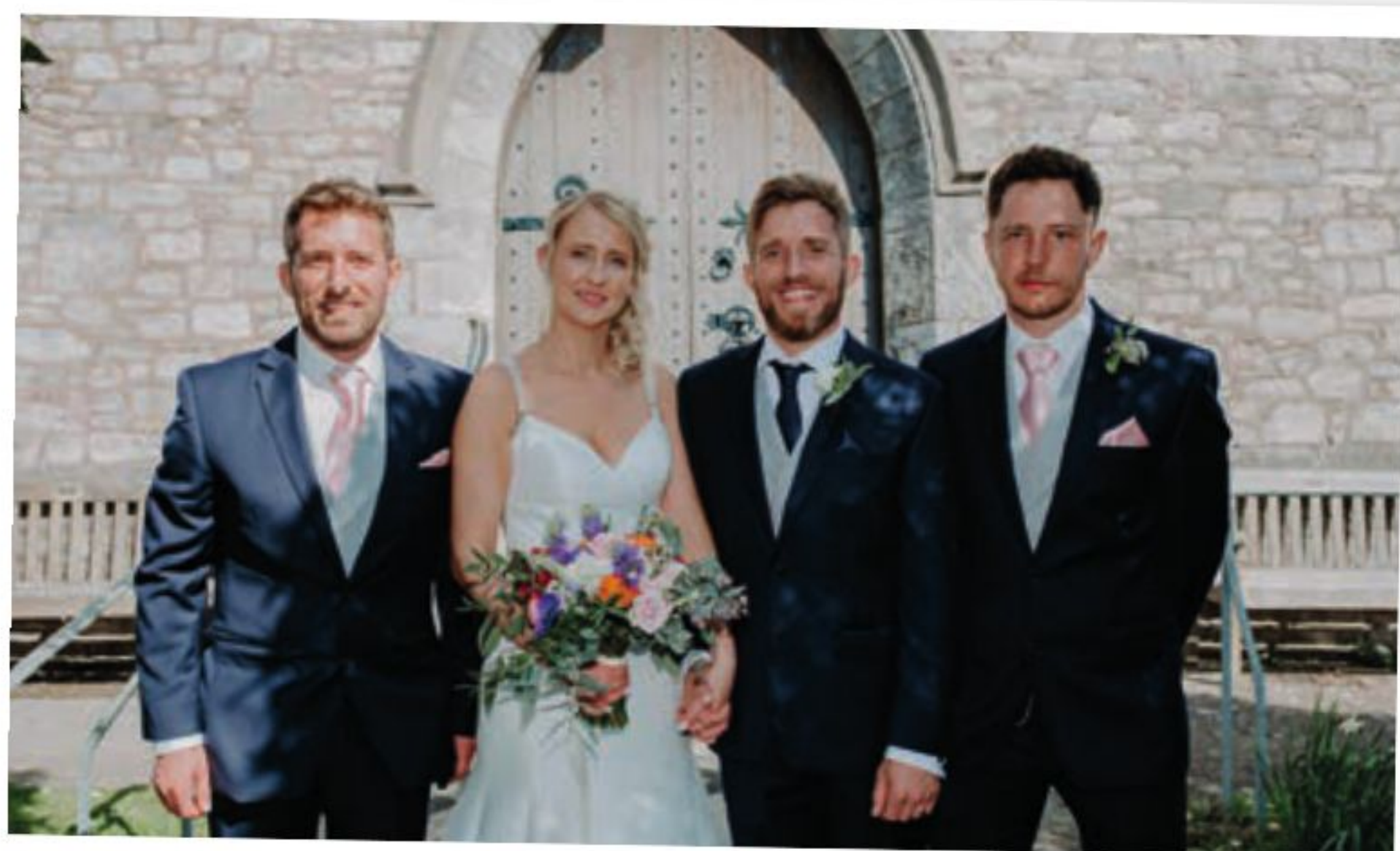
Our four-tier cake featured two vanilla layers, one with passion fruit and coconut flavouring, and the other with lemon and elderflower. It was decorated with fresh fruit and tasted delicious!



The spray of fresh flowers sat on our top table were out of this world!

“Our florist, Alice, went above and beyond our expectations and captured our vision for a spring-infused theme.” – Lee-Ann

“As with any good wedding, the speeches made a real impact and had all our guests laughing – and some crying!” – Lee-Ann



Our groomsmen wore the same suit as Gary with rose pink ties, whereas he chose to stand out in a blue tie.



I teamed my dress with a diamanté headpiece and matching earrings.



Our six bridesmaids looked elegant in their full-length, rose pink chiffon gowns and our pageboys all looked so cute in their matching suits!



We welcomed our guests to our wedding with acoustic guitarist Jack Humphries playing a set that provided a wonderful musical backdrop.



Jack also played during the evening alternating with a DJ who provided fun for everyone!

THE DREAM TEAM

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Gabby and Rich enjoyed an outdoor ceremony at Upton Barn that was decorated with a pastel pink, green and rose gold colour theme

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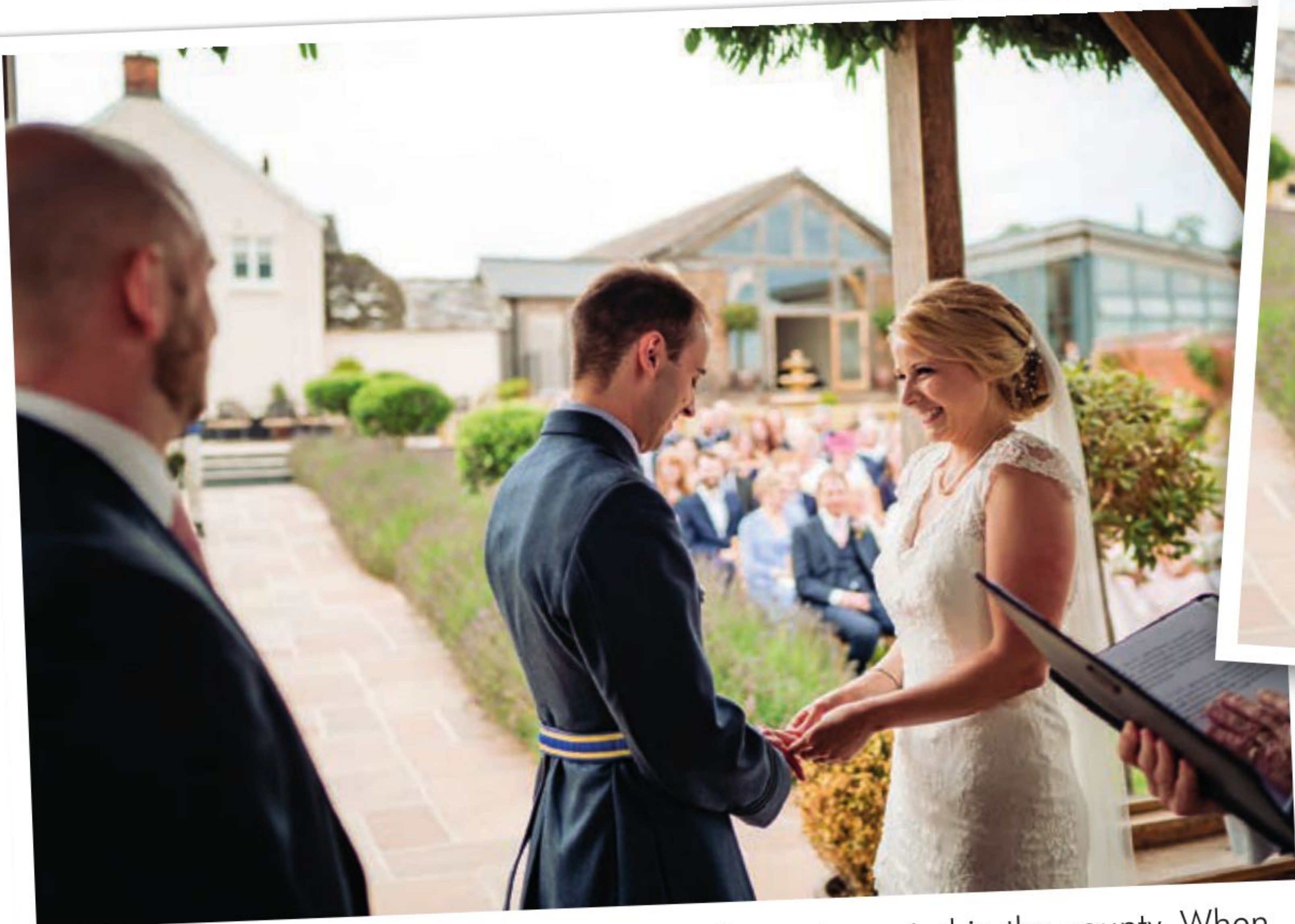
Gabby and Rich met at sixth form. "I was at the girls' grammar school and Rich was at the boys' one," Gabby tells us. "We were in the same friendship group but it wasn't until we met up again during the summer break of our second year at University that we officially got together. Throughout our final year, we had to travel seven hours across the country to visit one another but clearly, we both felt it was worth it! Rich has got a great sense of humour and has always been able to make me laugh, and I think that was what first attracted me to him."

The couple became engaged after seven years together during a romantic getaway. "Rich organised a trip to Bath for us and I had just began my teacher training so it was a welcome break for me," Gabby tells us. "My maiden name is Prior and Rich had identified the stunning Palladian Bridge in the grounds of Prior Park as the perfect spot to pop the question. The proposal was a complete surprise and Rich had managed to keep the ring hidden on the Friday evening and Saturday morning before proposing to me that afternoon. That evening we enjoyed a fantastic five-course meal at the Gainsborough Hotel. Rich had thought of everything!"

Here, Gabby tells us about their special day at Upton Barn.



Gabrielle (known as Gabby) and Richard (known as Rich) Nott, 29, married on 3rd August 2019 at Upton Barn in Cullompton, Devon.



We're both from Devon and always wanted to get married in the county. When we first went to look around Upton Barn and stepped into the walled garden, I remember there was a moment of calmness. It was such a beautiful spot in the middle of nowhere. We both fell in love with it immediately and could picture ourselves getting married there.



A part of the day that stood out for Rich was turning to see me walking down the aisle with my dad.



For our table plan, I used a clothes rail from Ikea that I painted rose gold and suspended from the top bar using ribbon. I added some faux roses and foliage around the edges to tie it in with our theme.

"All of our suppliers were incredible. The team at Upton Barn made sure that the day ran smoothly, especially when it looked like the weather might change at the last moment. They made it so special for us, ensuring that we could enjoy every moment and not worry about a thing. Also, our photographer Vince was fantastic! He stayed with us throughout the day, making sure that he captured it beautifully and he made all of our guests feel at ease. We now have some brilliant photos to go with some unforgettable memories." – Gabby



For our centrepieces we placed a log ring with eucalyptus stems loosely arranged on top on each table. We added a lantern in the middle holding fairy lights and displayed a photo frame featuring each table name. We wanted them to be personal to us so chose places that we had travelled to together, or that meant something to us both. We added a framed polaroid of us in that location on each table.



Holly from Hollyhocks Florist created exactly what I had envisaged for our bouquets and the floral arch at the front of the arbour. She used pastel pink and cream roses combined with eucalyptus and greenery. The flowers looked stunning and created the perfect backdrop to get married in front of.



“We loved having the outdoor firepits lit during the evening – they created such a romantic ambience.” – Gabby



One of my best friends, Jasmine, kindly offered to make our wedding cake. I wanted it to be fairly simple and rustic-inspired so we agreed on a naked cake decorated with stems of eucalyptus. There were three different layers of chocolate, vanilla sponge, and lemon and raspberry sponge. It looked and tasted incredible!



Our favours were personalised tags with a heart-shaped chocolate attached. I wanted to keep everything simple and rustic to tie in with the barn setting. I had seen some on Pinterest that I liked so I replicated these.



My brother-in-law built an amazing sweet cart for us which was a big hit with guests on the day. We were also keen to have a hanging frame for our polaroid camera, which our guests could use to record the day, so he built a wooden frame to use as a photo booth. I wanted a lot of personal touches at our wedding, so I designed and made all of our signs, using wood stain and chalk paint.



Penchoose Pantry provided our evening food. Based in Cornwall, they had previously catered for my sister's wedding so we knew what a fantastic service they offered. They produced some tasty sweet and savoury crêpes which were a real hit with our guests.



Rich wore his military uniform and, together with his sword party, they all stood out.



The bridesmaids wore one-shoulder, Grecian-style floor-length dresses in pastel pink with sandals to match. Our three flowergirls wore white broderie anglaise dresses with gold sandals, flower crowns, and they carried small bouquets of gypsophila.



As I was staying close to the venue, my friend offered to drive me and my dad there in her white convertible VW Beetle. All was going well until it started to rain on the way there! Rich's uncle kindly drove him and his best man to the venue in his Aston Martin.



Our band called The Sparks provided our evening entertainment and performed sets during the evening playing a wide selection of well-known hits which catered for all ages and styles and created a great atmosphere for our guests. They were great at getting everyone up and dancing!



The groomsmen and both of our fathers wore a navy three-piece suit with pastel pink ties to match the bridesmaids' dresses and my bouquet.



My dress was a Cymbeline style that I purchased from Browns of Totnes Bridal Boutique. I knew I wanted a backless, fitted gown and when I tried the dress on, I instantly knew it was the one. I loved the capped sleeves and the bow at the back. Because it was made of lace, I wanted the veil to be fairly simple. I chose a hairpiece featuring pearls that matched my necklace which had once belonged to my grandmother. I wore this around a loose, low bun.



We came across Pickleshack at one of the wedding supplier events held at Upton Barn and instantly knew that they would be perfect for our wedding. We loved their unique serving style and the option of having shared platters to create the idea of a feast. The canapés were all unique and appealed to us both – the popcorn chicken was especially popular! For our main meal, they were able to create a menu that featured both of our favourite foods, including brownies and meringues for dessert.



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“I remember feeling very nervous walking down the aisle, but as soon as I saw Rich I couldn't stop smiling. We were both just so happy throughout the day, and it was made all the better being surrounded by our closest friends and family. It's an unforgettable feeling that you just can't beat.” – Gabby



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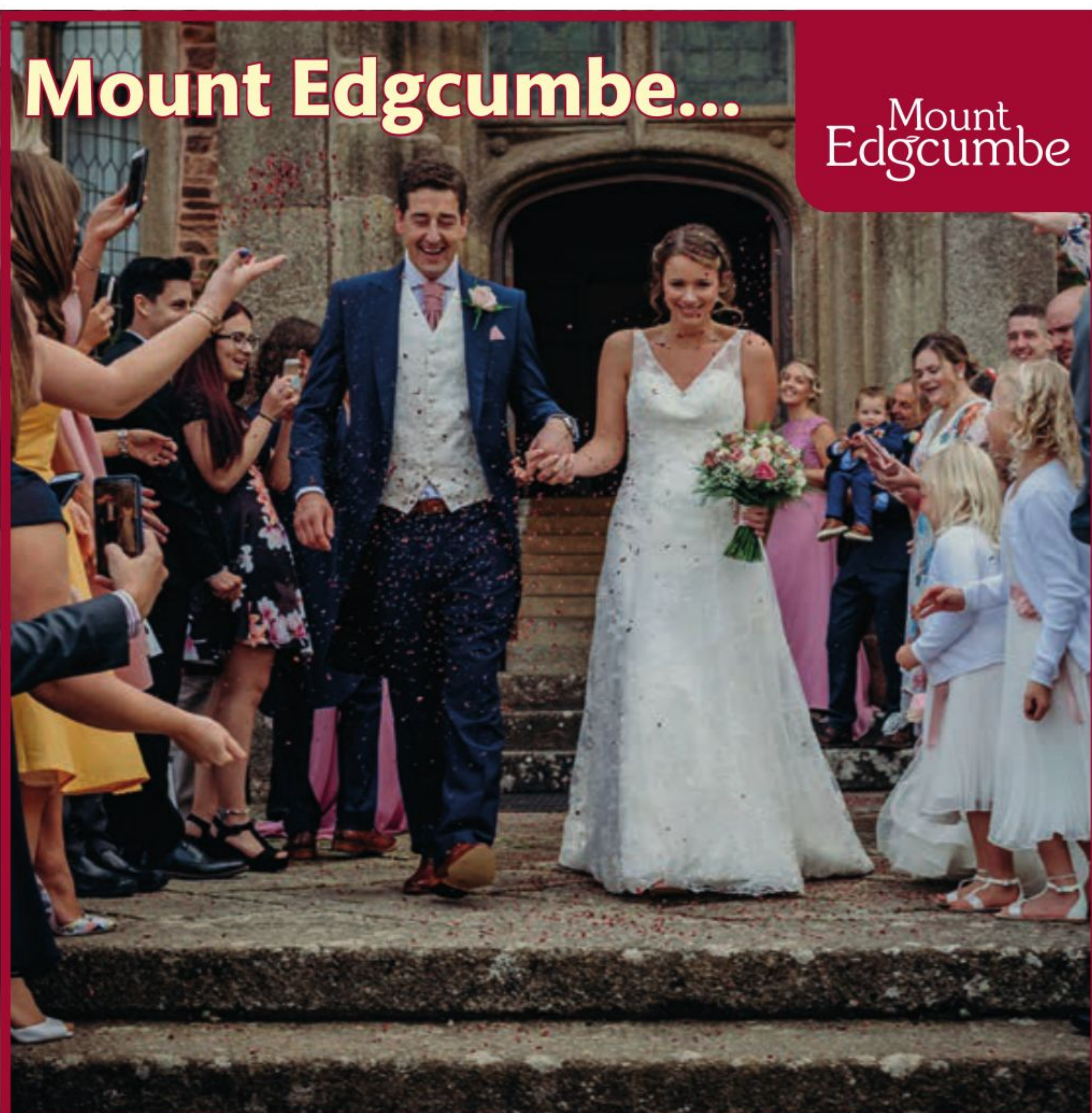
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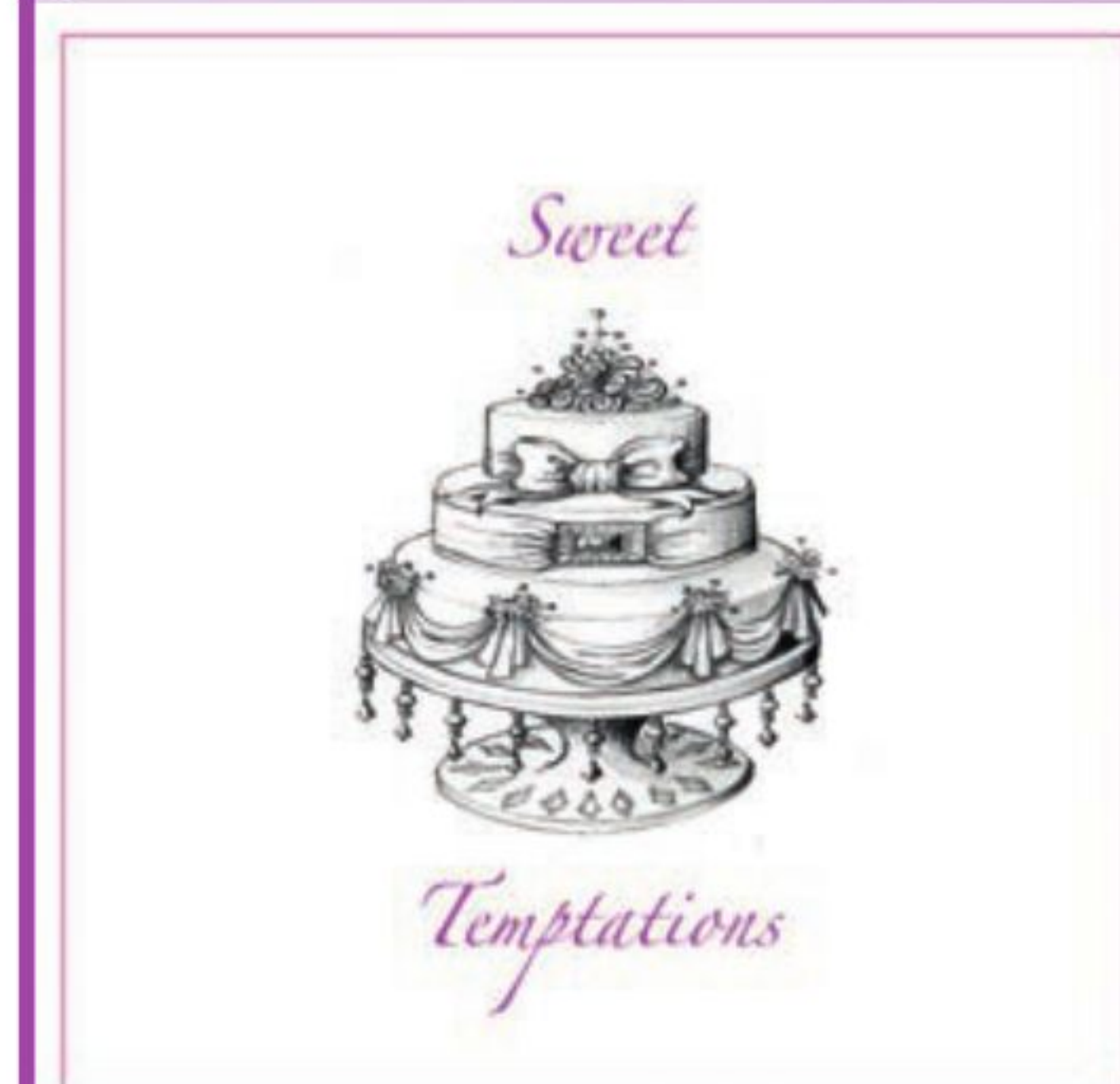
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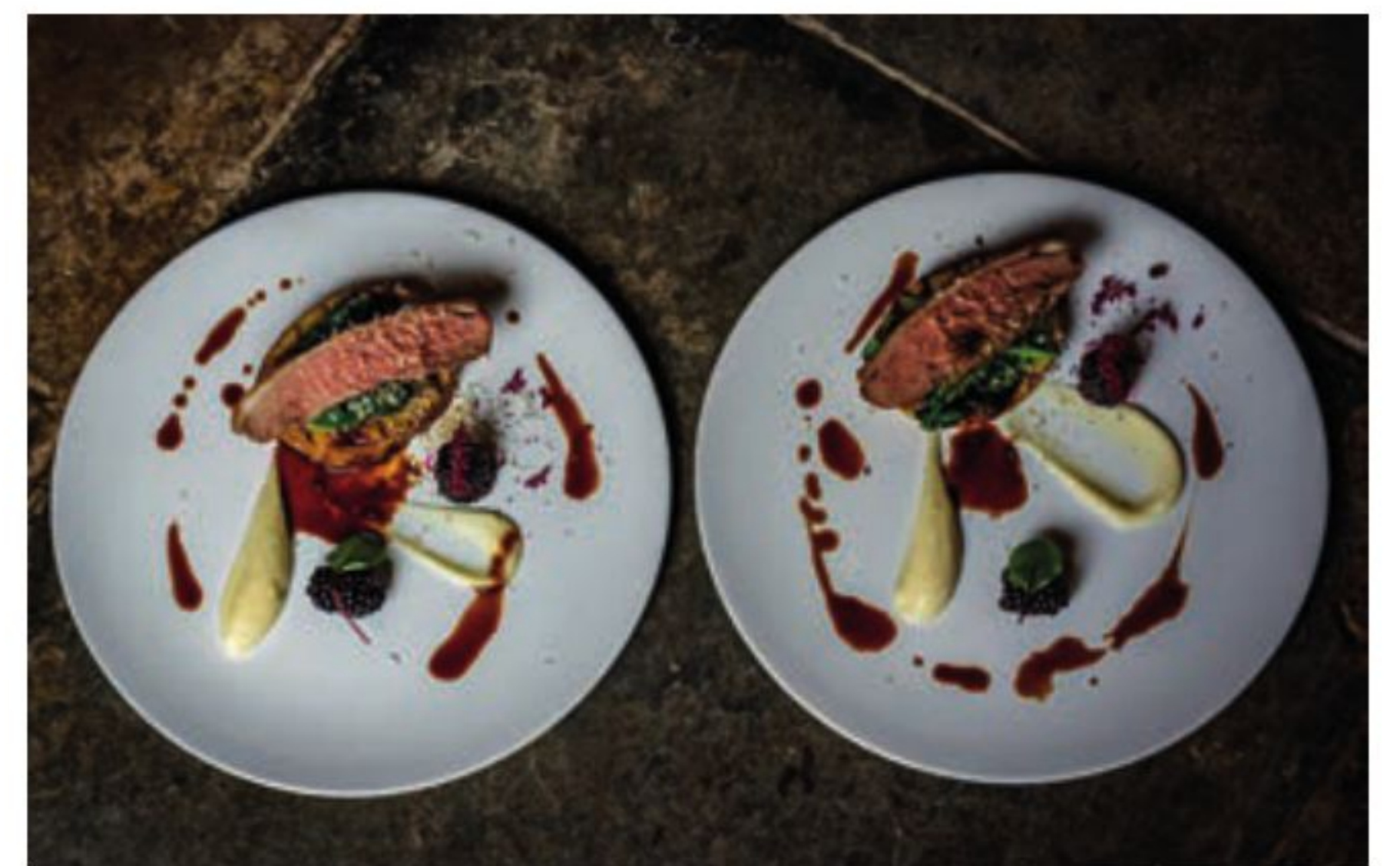
We catch up with some of the finest suppliers around both regions to reveal their top wedding tips

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TOP TIP: "Choose a caterer who you feel that you can be honest and open with the entire way through the process. This will take a weight off your mind when it comes down to the planning and finalising your menus." - Ollie

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Milkshed Catering offers a range of sample menus but is always happy to discuss something more bespoke. "Whether it's a formal plated meal, or sharing 'feast-style' platters, we will work with couples to create a menu that their guests will be talking about for months to come."

TOP TIP: "Pick a menu that reflects you as a couple - a nod to something you ate on your first date or the day you got engaged, or something you've enjoyed on your holidays together, or a meal that you regularly enjoy cooking and eating together. Your guests will recognise this as the food you love and want to share with them!" - Katie and Mark

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"With our weddings we, like many other catering companies, offer a bespoke service but we take it one step further, not only writing menus for our wedding couples but also growing our produce and rearing livestock for their dishes too," owners Victoria and Dean Dawes tell us. "We like to work about 16 months in advance with this service so that we can plan the polytunnels and raised beds for growing the produce."

Victoria and Dean have worked with some very varied menus using this service, one of the most memorable at a wedding at Bre-Pen farm near Mawgan Porth in Cornwall where the couple wanted their wedding meal to tell the story of their travels around the world. "It featured influences from countries such as Cambodia, Argentina, Vietnam, Brasil and Korea to name but a few," Victoria and Dean tell us. "They wanted Korean barbecues in the middle of each table so that guests could cook their meat and fish, as well as an entire goat cooked over a fire. We sourced the meat and fish locally using alpaca meat from Moorfield farm in Bodmin for one of the South American dishes, and a goat from our herd. We did run into a few problems with the planning! Because it was under canvas and on National Trust land, we couldn't use coal for the Korean barbecue for insurance reasons, so we adapted their wish and came up with some different suggestions including teppanyaki grills which involved having a bespoke wiring system made to run them all."

TOP TIP: "There hasn't been a request that we have not been able to manage to fulfil and we have had a few strange ones such as using a JCB to cut the wedding cake! So let your imagination run wild and link your food to your theme, and don't be afraid to get in touch!" - Victoria and Dean

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Sarah-Jane Payne has run West Country Caterers for 23 years and the company endeavour to move with the various wedding styles that are trending, from cold buffets to formal sit down wedding breakfasts and street food-style casual dining. "Our aim is always to tailor the wedding menu to suit the individual parties' needs and tastes, rather than dictating the menu that they have to choose from," Sarah-Jane tells us. "Over the years, we have followed trends and fashions which are usually led by celebrity weddings. Some years ago there was a leap in requests for gourmet bangers and mash with red onion gravy after actress Kate Winslet's wedding. Currently, the trend is for street food-style celebrations and rustic-inspired themes involving sharing platters. We now offer big pan-style dishes in the form of paella, chilli and nachos with relevant dips and cassoulet or different varieties of curry served with rice, naan and poppadoms. We still offer the traditional style of wedding breakfasts and barbecues and work alongside North Devon Hog Roasts to supply a hog roast for the day or evening party food. West Country Caterers also offer a full design and planning service."

TOP TIP: "Remember that the caterer is there from start to finish so can be asked to liaise with all the other wedding suppliers throughout the day, for example, photographers, florists and cake designers. We're always available to chat through any planning or concerns that the couple may have throughout their planning stages." - Sarah-Jane

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WEDDING CATERING

BOO TO A GOOSE

Harrie Kivell is the owner of Boo to a Goose, a fresh and unique catering service based in Tavistock, Devon, creating stunning wedding cakes and also offering a bespoke private chef service. Harrie trained at Le Cordon Bleu London in cuisine and patisserie so it's no surprise that this training, combined with her modern flair, makes for some sensational wedding cakes that taste as good as they look.

"Couples love booking me to create amazing meals to complement their special day. It could be a dinner hosted for the bridal party the night before the wedding, or a special brunch or beach barbecue the following day for all those friends and family that stayed the night," Harrie tells us. "Whatever catering wishes are desired, I can provide a bespoke service."

TOP TIP: "Don't overthink it, just choose food that you both like because you'll never please everyone so take your initial idea and run with it." - Harrie

Boo to a Goose | 07791 960 116 | www.bootoagoose.net
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IVYDINING

Paul Gilbert is a freelance chef based in St Agnes, Cornwall, with more than 20 years' experience catering for weddings and events. "As a business, I like to focus on weddings and private dinner parties," Paul tells us. "Most recently, I have also worked with other private chefs at outside events and festivals where we had to set up kitchens in fields with just a gazebo and minimal catering equipment that can sometimes be a challenge but has proved very beneficial experience when it comes to catering for weddings."

Paul tells us how food has always been a passion of his that stems from his dad. "He is also a chef and I started working with him from a young age. I launched Ivydining last year after the birth of my daughter, Ivy. My company name is one that's very close to my heart and I hope to inspire her one day as my dad did for me."

TOP TIP: "Why not host a bridal party wedding breakfast or one for the groomsmen? It will help to bring everyone together on the morning of the wedding." - Paul

Turn to page 46 to see our exclusive photo shoot featuring Ivydining

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OAKTREE OCCASIONS

Founders Caroline Brookes and Jo Thomas have years of catering experience between them and cover Exeter, Devon and beyond providing great local catering for every event. They offer carefully crafted menus to pick from or a bespoke menu that can be tailored to each couples' requirements. "We use the highest quality, locally sourced ingredients cooked in our professional kitchen located just off Dartmoor," Caroline and Jo tell us. "Our delicious menu collection includes formal dining, informal buffets, barbecues, an array of desserts and cheese, and afternoon tea among other options. We pride ourselves on our attention to detail and do a site visit to the venue ahead of the wedding to acquaint ourselves with the surroundings."



TOP TIP: "Employ suppliers that you have a natural connection with and who take care of all the catering needs such as cutting the cake, arranging ice and refrigeration for drinks and ensuring that the crockery is all present and correct. Most importantly, they need to have gone through all the timings and arrange to be on-site early so that you do not spend your wedding morning worrying." - Caroline and Jo

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Say cheese!

THE WEST COUNTRY CHEESE CO

Debbie and Nick Priestley are the founders of this artisan cheese company, supplying wedding and celebration cakes for all occasions. Cheese gifts and subscriptions are also available, along with deli essentials and cheese and pork pie cakes. "These cheese and pork pie cakes are very popular, especially for weddings because not only do they look great, they provide a twist on the traditional idea of a wedding cake. They feature a multi-tiered tower of succulent pork pies handmade in Devon with hand-finished pastry and are mixed with different varieties of cheese. Venison, game and chicken pies are also available, among others, and four different cutting sizes are available. They make a great buffet option and are so filling that nothing else is needed!" Debbie and Nick tell us. "The cello-wrapped mini gift cakes are fun and quirky, and our hampers are a great way to say thanks to your bridal party."

TOP TIP: "Why not consider having our handmade gourmet treats as favours? Choose from buttery shortbread, tasty truffles, mouth-watering florentines or smooth, creamy fudge." - Debbie and Nick

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Raise a toast

BARS WITH LEGS

Nick Jarvis and Spencer Smith are the owners of Bars with Legs, a premier mobile bar and keg hire company operating throughout Devon and Cornwall. "In addition to our other services, we now offer a Cornish Gin Bar featuring the best local gins, garnishes, balloon glassware and premium Fever-Tree tonics," Nick tells us. "We also offer bespoke cocktail menus, drinks packages, and the best Cornish draught beers that always prove very popular!"

TOP TIP: "Don't forget our dry bar hire if you'd like to create your own. We supply all the equipment needed, for example, a fridge, glassware and the bar that we set up, and couples supply the drinks. It's a great way of managing the budget." - Nick.

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WEDDING CATERING



CAMEL VALLEY

Bob and Annie Lindo are the owners of Camel Valley Cornwall, a family-owned and run business producing award-winning, world-class wines in the region. "Camel Valley has the honour of having a Royal Warrant of Appointment and Camel Valley Brut, an ideal choice for weddings, was the first UK wine to be awarded Gold at the International Wine Challenge merchant awards. Camel Valley Rose Brut has won best rose sparkling wine (including Champagne) in the world in the same competition. A feat replicated twice in Italy!"

TOP TIP: "Rumour has it, that a wedding in Cornwall is not legally binding unless it's sealed with Camel Valley 'Cornwall' Brut!" - Bob

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- ♥ **Where?** Exeter, Devon covering weddings across the South West
- ♥ **What?** A planning and styling company helping create extraordinary weddings. Items that can be hired include chair covers, sashes and hoods, table linen, and décor including candelabras and lanterns with candles, mirrored plates, table number stands and round log slices. There's also topiary trees, freestanding lanterns, postboxes, flower urns, hanging planters, a vintage display ladder and personalised seating plans available.
- ♥ **Contact:** 07709 201 984, www.sodevotedweddingsandevents.co.uk
www.instagram.com/sodevotedevents



BOOK AN OPEN-AIR VINTAGE PHOTO BOOTH

- ♥ **Who?** Booth Nineteen
- ♥ **Where?** Exmouth, Devon covering weddings throughout the South West (and further afield).
- ♥ **What?** Beautifully crafted vintage photo booths, backdrops and props for hire with attendants ready to transform evening entertainment into a fun, engaging party creating lasting memories. Three open-air booths are on offer including The Gatsby, inspired by the 1920s Art Deco era, The Classic, styled on a more traditional photo booth with a sleek, walnut finish and No.3 that utilises twin vintage-inspired floor lamps converted for photography.
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www.exclusiveweddingcar.co.uk
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DRESS YOUR TABLES IN SEQUINS

♥ **Who?** The Pretty Accessory, Wedding and Event Hire

♥ **Where?** Cornwall, serving weddings around the region.

♥ **What?** Sequin tablecloths and crushed velvet runners for hire. The products are
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www.theprettyaccessory.co.uk
www.instagram.com/theprettyaccessory



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♥ **Who?** Xcite Events

♥ **Where?** Liskeard, Cornwall, covering
weddings throughout the region

♥ **What?** Wedding planning services,
wedding drone and aerial photography,
chocolate fountain hire, and hire of
a magic mirror and vintage camera
photo booths. The custom-made magic
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available and prices start from just
£250 with packages designed around
each couple's needs. The company are
getting ready for another new launch
vintage camera photo booth soon!

♥ **Contact:** 07588 346 358 and
07951 289 244, www.xciteevents.co.uk
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- ♥ **Who?** Flicksbox Photo Booth Experience
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- ♥ **What?** A stylish, handmade booth oozing retro charm and kitted out with a high-resolution Canon 24 MP DSLR camera, responsive touchscreen display and upcycled Grundig vintage microphone, professional lighting, and a studio-standard printer. It takes photographs, gifts and records video messages, and all equipment is as eco-friendly and energy-efficient as possible, with a percentage from the booking going to a local charity to support environmental projects. For the fun part, it's kitted with a selection of vintage props!
- ♥ **Contact:** 07853 710 795, <https://www.flicksbox.co.uk>
www.instagram.com/flicksbox

VENUE STYLING

FUN FLORISTRY DESIGN

- ♥ **Who?** Roamer Rose
- ♥ **Where?** Truro, Cornwall and covering weddings across both regions.
- ♥ **What?** Ethical dress, accessory and floristry design company who work with nature, replicating the various visual delights showcased in the local landscapes during all seasons to tell a story. At a client's request, owner Kyla will order in cut flowers endeavouring to use local, seasonal produce where possible, although she likes to make use of the local wildflower varieties, only taking what she needs to preserve them, and not removing anything that's protected. Her work includes a hint of a fairytale from the forests, romance from the garden and mystical magic from the coastline.
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- ♥ **Contact:** 01769 561 355,
www.sign-maker.net



HOT TOPIC

Our regional experts share their trend forecasts for weddings in 2021

DRESS TO IMPRESS

Meet the expert: Sarah Treble is a bespoke bridal and occasion wear designer with over 20 years' experience since graduating from Central Saint Martins in London. She spent three seasons working as the head designer for Valentino in Italy, which instilled in her a love for haute couture. Sarah is now based in Exeter, Devon, after moving there from London in 2009, and her dresses are hand-crafted and made-to-measure, combining exceptional comfort with sheer elegance.

We're rescheduling our wedding until spring 2021 so can you give me some ideas for bridal dress trends that look set to continue throughout the rest of this year and into next?

Sarah says: Colour still features strongly on the bridal catwalks as an alternative to the traditional white and ivory gowns. Blush, beige and pink have been evident for the past few seasons so expect this to continue, but now expanding into the palette are shades of blue, pistachio, and green. The use of colour isn't limited to subtle tints, instead, bold floral prints and coloured embroidery can also be expected to make an appearance, inspired by nature and romantic painterly watercolours. This artistic, artisanal trend is evident in other forms of fabric embellishments. Large, luscious ruffles, intricate pleating, silk abstract flowers and soft chiffon feathers give an innovative twist to classic shapes, all expected to be requested for weddings taking place in 2021. The recent popularity of period dramas

such as *Emma*, *Belgravia* and *Little Women* has also influenced bridal trends this season. High necklines, lace bodices and long lace sleeves are given a more modern feel with the seductive baring of backs and shoulders. Lace is ever-present, but expect a bolder take on this favourite fabric. Instead of soft delicate Chantilly lace, think heavy, corded varieties and guipure lace that resembles crochet. Upcoming trends will also see cheeky high splits, short asymmetric hems, and the popular monochrome look of black teamed with traditional ivory. There's also simple tailoring with jackets, trousers, and jumpsuits all beautifully cut and unadorned, and coat-style dresses and capes. I'd sum up the new season as being strong yet feminine, creative and bold with a liberal sprinkling of irreverent attitude.

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Lily with blue organza cape



WAY WITH WORDS

Meet the expert: Caroline Taylor is the creative talent behind award-winning stationery brand Love Tree Designs. Clients can choose from her growing customisable collection, or have their bespoke designs made.

Caroline says: The biggest trends that I am seeing for wedding stationery include:

♥ Bespoke designs

Creating these is my most requested service. Most couples that I work with love to know that their wedding stationery will be unique and has had a lot of time and effort put into making it truly special.

♥ Wedding venue illustrations

This is something that I love doing and find that I am being asked to do more of, especially watercolour paintings or line drawings of the couple's chosen wedding venue that features throughout their wedding stationery. Also, a framed, personalised version featuring the names and wedding date in calligraphy makes the most beautiful gift or wedding keepsake.

♥ Personalised details

Adding personalised details can create a more luxurious feel to wedding stationery. I find that I am doing more watercolour and calligraphy initial monograms and crests for wedding invitations, and the finer details include personalised wax seals and embossed envelopes.

♥ Minimalistic designs

Many couples are requesting that their wedding stationery has a more simplistic design with the main invitation being plainer, and the information displayed on an additional details card.

♥ Added layers and texture

One of my favourite things about creating beautiful wedding stationery is using a mix of materials in layers to add depth. From the textured card, coloured envelopes, silk ribbons, and sprigs, anything is possible! My favourite is pocket folds with a magnet and a wax seal.

♥ Soft muted tones, or a bold, contrasting colour palette

These are the two different colour themes that I'm seeing more of at the moment and I love them both!

♥ Calligraphy

Calligraphy is definitely on trend and I feel it always will be. It's such a beautiful art form, adding a soft elegance to anything, and I love doing it.

Caroline Taylor | Love Tree Designs | 07472 575 157 | <https://lovetreedesigns.co.uk> | www.instagram.com/love.tree.designs

EXPERT ADVICE



CAUGHT ON CAMERA

Meet the expert: The Ash Barton Estate, owned by Simon and Julie Daukes, is located in the North Devon countryside and has over ten years' experience hosting weddings, from the traditional to more quirky, festival-inspired celebrations. It's a family-run venue and weddings can be held in the barn, in the great outdoors or a marquee erected on the lawn.

We're thinking of hiring a wedding videographer – what questions should we be asking them?

Simon says: Ask your wedding venue for videographer referrals because if they have worked at the venue before, and produced high-quality films that other couples are happy with, this is a good start.

Before meeting your videographer for the first time, make sure you know what style of video you would like. This could be anything from aerial videography to a more laid-back, documentary-style film.

Find wedding videographers via hashtags on Instagram and message previous brides directly asking about their experience. Before booking, ask your chosen wedding videographer these questions:

1. Are you available on my wedding date?
2. How long have you been a wedding videographer?
3. What is your videography style?
4. Can I see one full-length example of a wedding video that you produced?
5. Have you ever worked with my photographer?
6. Have you ever filmed at my wedding venue before?
7. Are you the videographer who will be filming on the day?
8. Do you offer any videography packages?
9. Can I choose the music for the film?
10. How long will the wedding video be?
11. Do you offer aerial filming?
12. What part of the day will you capture?
13. How many people are on your team?
14. How many cameras will be operating?
15. Can I add a second location for you to film at? Is there an extra charge for this?
16. Are there any further costs than what is outlined in the package?
17. How long after the wedding will I receive the video?
18. How is the final film delivered?
19. Who owns the copyright to the final video?
20. Can I make changes once I have seen the film for the first time?
21. How much is the deposit? When is the remaining balance due?
22. What's your cancellation policy?

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TOUCH OF SPARKLE

Online jewellery store Ruby & Oscar has launched a debut wedding jewellery collection featuring contemporary and classic styles in eight different categories. Pieces include a mixed-metal pearl necklace with matching earrings and a tanzanite penda

nt perfect for that *something blue*.

There's free delivery and a lifetime warranty on all orders. To shop, visit www.rubyandoscar.com/wedding

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DRESS UP

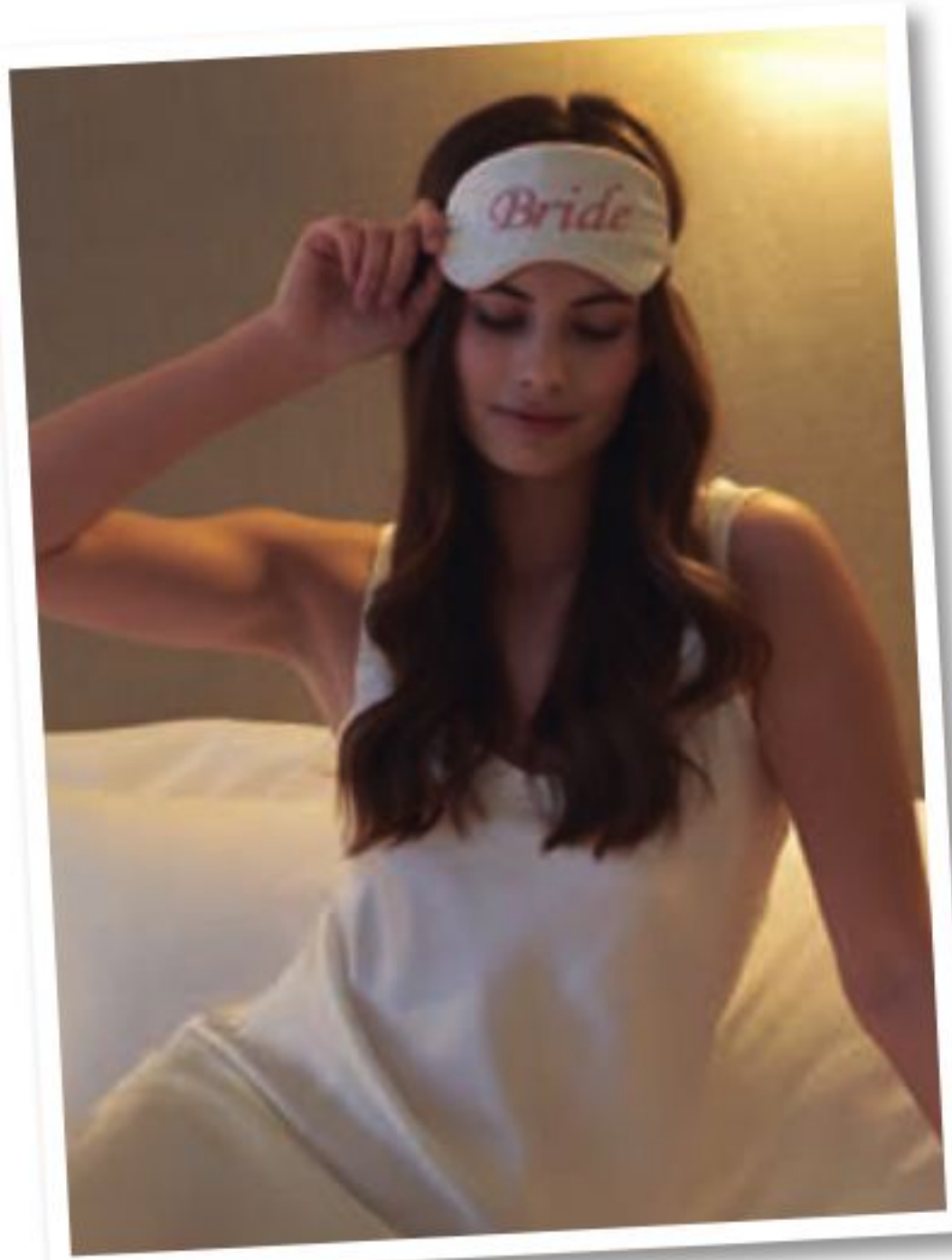
Bridal and women's evening wear brand Rowley Hesselballe London has launched in the UK. Co-founded by friends and former fashion buyers Rosie Poole and Canan Hesselballe, this online label offers modern and affordable bridal,



bridesmaid and evening wear directly to customers with next day delivery available in the UK and across Europe. The collection has been carefully made allowing for minimum alterations and includes silk, lace, and chiffon dresses and jumpsuits featuring draping, soft pleating and other elegant detailing. There are white and champagne tones for brides, and red, navy and emerald shades for bridesmaids and guests. Sizes range from XS to XL and prices start from £249 to £999.

Hand-crafted pearl, feather and silk headpieces and hair accessories complete the collection with prices ranging from £129 to £329.

To shop, visit www.rowleyhesselballe.com



BEAUTY SLEEP

Luxury British sleepwear brand, Bonsoir of London, has launched a bridal collection consisting of silk separates, a vintage-style silk nightdress, a kimono short gown, and a *Bride* and *Mrs* eye mask in blush and ivory.

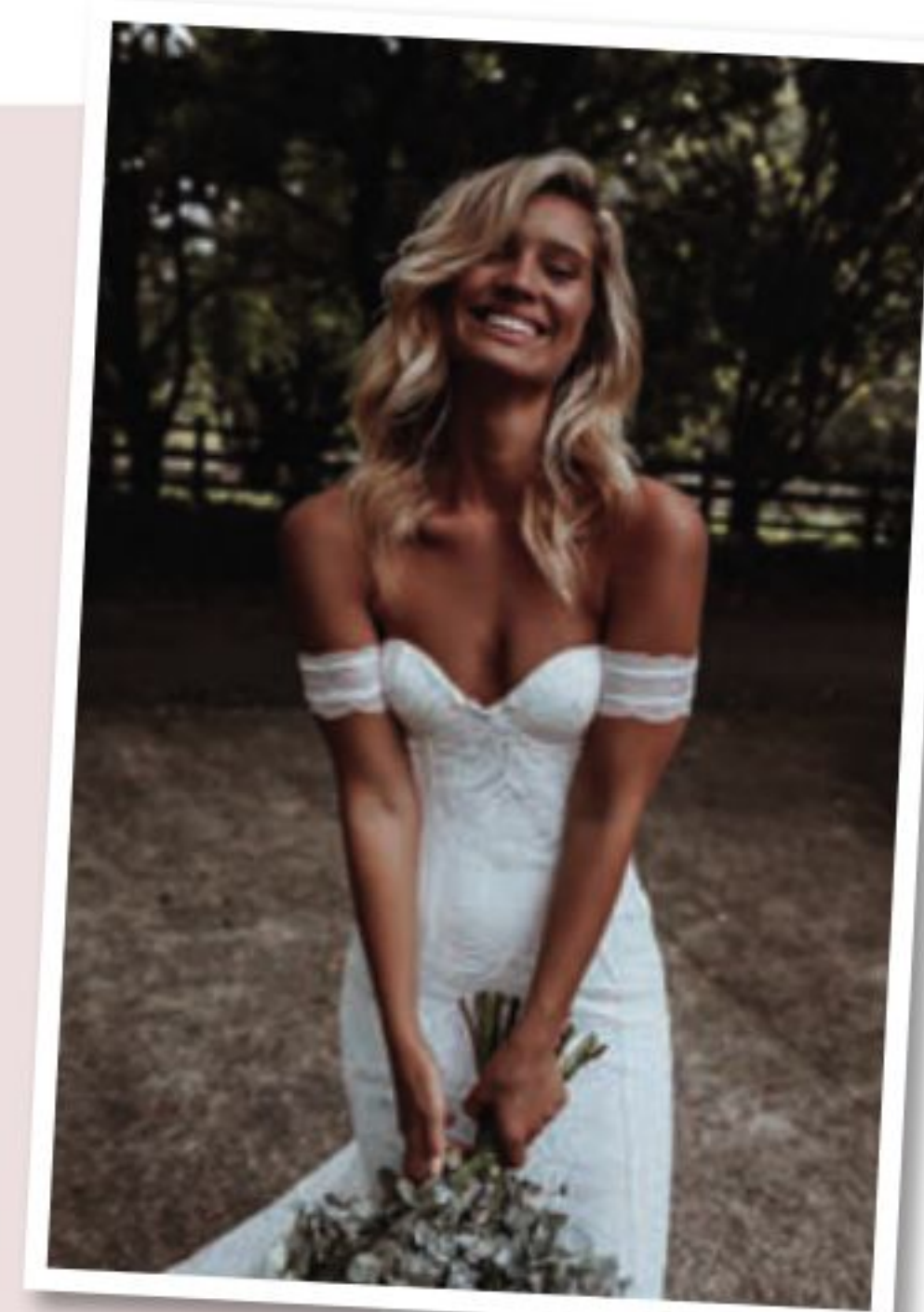
The collection has been made using premium materials hand-crafted in Somerset. To shop, visit <https://bonsoiroflondon.com>

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Shape of you

Popular bridal brand Grace Loves Lace has launched three new dresses featuring a stretch bustier providing traditional shaping and full bust support without the restriction of traditional boning and corsetry. Sizes range from 28A to 42E, and the three new gowns are called *Palm*, *Poppy* and *Izabel*, with prices starting from £1,400. Each style comes with an assortment of armbands and straps, included in the price, for brides to create their own individual look.

To shop, visit <https://graceloveslace.com> 📷 grace_loves_lace



Editor loves

This 18-carat rose gold vermeil bracelet with rainbow moonstone, £100, by jewellery brand Katie Belle is a wonderful wedding keepsake. Other items include gold, sterling silver and rose gold vermeil necklaces that can be engraved with the wedding date, a name or a message. To shop, visit <https://katie-belle.com>

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FASHION focus

Fashion editor Claire Ridley reveals the latest bridal news, buys and launches

Designer-inspired

Mackays has launched a new occasionwear brand called GL/AMOUR, a collection of designer-inspired dresses and separates available in flattering silhouettes with embellished details. Sizes range from 8 to 18 with prices starting from £59. To shop, visit www.gl-amour.co.uk 📷 glamourofficialuk



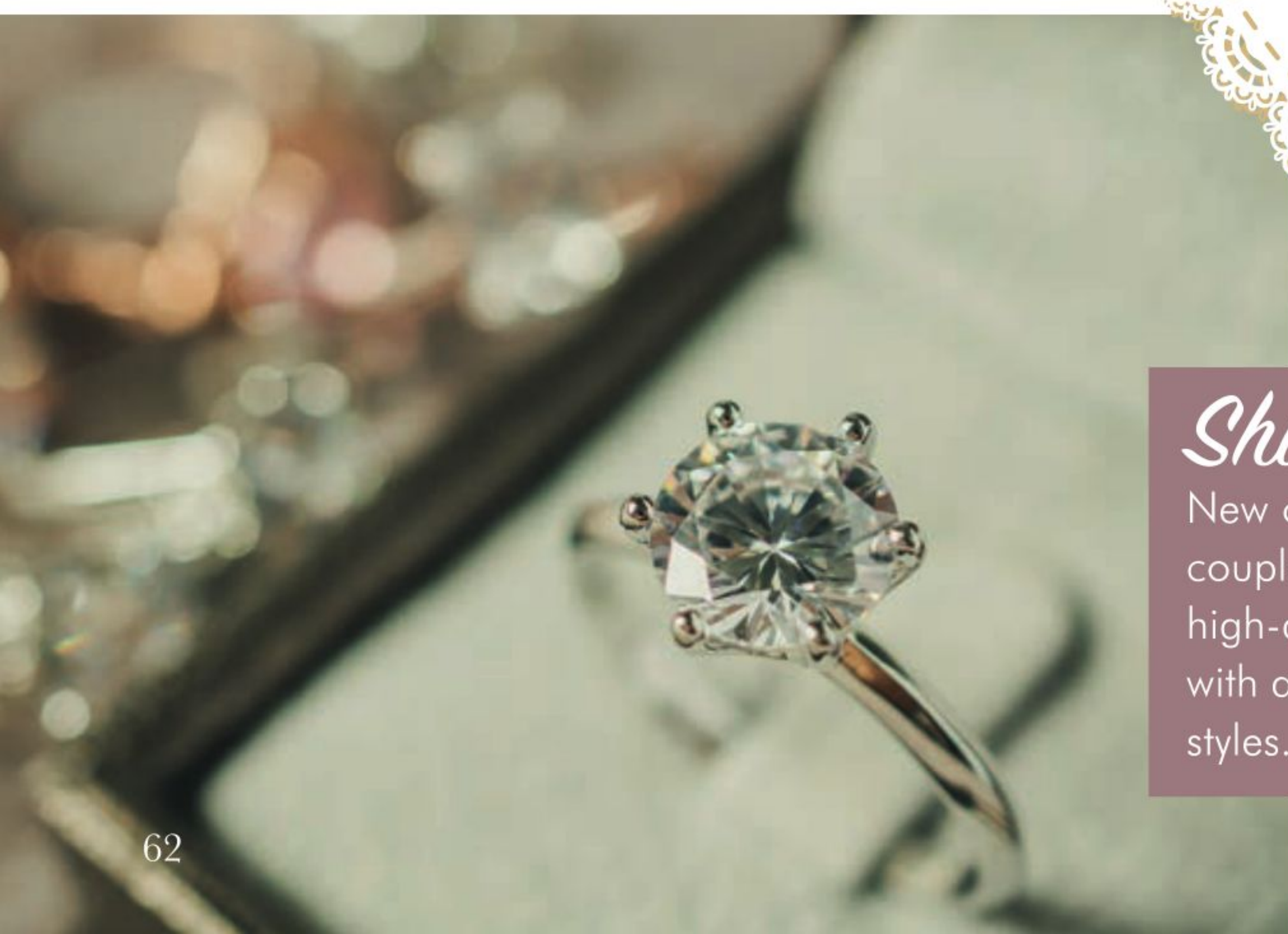
EDITOR'S FAVOURITE

Children's formalwear brand Roco offer a great selection of stylish yet affordable pieces for weddings, like this blue suit ideal for pageboys priced between £39.99 and £44.99, depending on size. To shop, visit www.rococlothing.co.uk 📷 rococlothing



Shine like a diamond

New online custom diamond service The Orange River offers couples the opportunity to design a ring that's shipped directly within weeks. Both high-quality, naturally mined diamonds and lab-grown stones are available, all with a certificate of authentication, and there's also a collection of ready-made styles. To shop, visit www.theorangeriver.co.uk 📷 orangeriverstore



Romance and ruffles

Cascading tiers, layers, pleats and ruffles decorate bridal gowns this season



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Lemon yellow dress, £75, www.chichiclothing.com

Sterling silver cubic zirconia ring, £30, www.jonrichard.com



Peach and ivory earrings, £18, www.oliverbonas.com



Feather pom pom fascinator, £40, Jasper Conran at www.debenhams.com



Lemon tiered dress, £99, <https://uk.monsoon.co.uk>



Sorbet shades

This season's bridesmaids' dresses and accessories come in gelato-inspired colours of peach, raspberry, lemon and pistachio

Gelato Italian silk georgette tiered gown, price on application, www.bnvcouture.com



Silver-plated toggle bracelet, £20, www.jonrichard.com



Ice cream purse, £1.99, www.bhf.org.uk



Pastel gelly hi-shine nail paint in Lavender, Iced Latte, Berry Sorbet and Candy Floss, £3.99 each, <https://barrym.com>



Pistachio green chiffon dress, from a selection, Lipsy at www.next.co.uk



Pink chiffon halterneck dress, from a selection, Essentials Collection by www.truebride.co.uk



Personalised smash cup in strawberry pink chocolate, £24.99, www.gettingpersonal.co.uk



Great gift idea!

Peach satin sandals, £89.99, www.lulipashoes.co.uk





A splash OF COLOUR

These wedding dresses in shimmery metallic shades and soft pastel tones are the perfect pick for brides not wanting to wear white

Style no 20-54 by www.bera.com



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Vienna by <https://phillipalepley.com>



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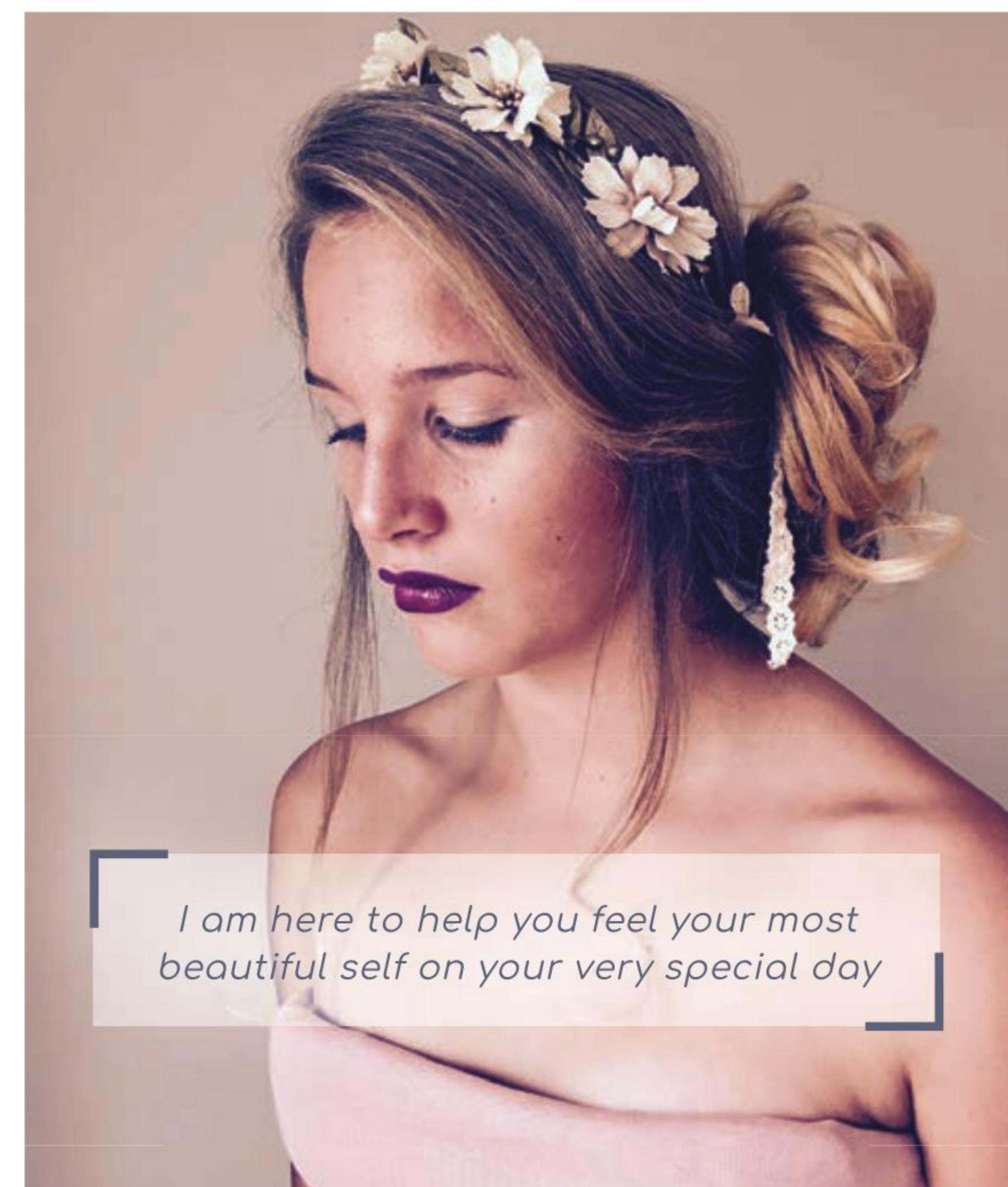


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NUTHING TO SEE HERE

Let's be honest, removing unwanted hair is a totally laborious task for us ladies, and boring bad-smelling products do nothing to improve the situation. That's where Nothing comes in. In bright colours of pink, blue and yellow, infused with non-plastic shimmer, and available in three fruity fragrances, hair removal is set to become something you look forward to.

The debut range available at Superdrug includes Shimmer Hair Removal Jelly (£9.99), Shimmer Hair Removal Wax (£12.99), and Simmer Shave & Shower Sorbet (£6.99). Discover more at www.nothing.co.uk

BATHED IN LUXURY

This luxurious hand-whipped bath and shower wash is a real luxury for any pamper routine. Beautifully mild with no SLS or sulphates, it's kind to the skin and gently cleanses without drying. Soft and fluffy, it's bestowed with a light dusting of eco glitter for a touch of glam, and will leave you delicately fragranced with a scent of mimosa, jasmine, rose and white musk.

Check out www.prettylittlethings.co.uk where you'll find this beauty priced at £7, as well as many other little wonders available as super-cute wedding favours.



Beauty editor Kelly Andrews shares her latest beauty must-haves for the bride-to-be

Beauty BUZZ

Scrub up well

Meet Sand & Sky's first body product: Australian Pink Clay Smoothing Body Sand. A whole new territory direct from the shores of the Aussie beach, delivered straight to your bathroom.

Not your average body scrub, this super smoothing four-in-one formula purifies, exfoliates, moisturises, and illuminates. Simply scoop a chunk of sand and massage over your body in circular motions. A little goes a long way. Rinse off and check that golden hour glimmer.

Priced at £29.90, find out more at www.sandandsky.com



BRIGHT EYES

BeautyBio's The Quench Eye is a breakthrough buildable balm that fills in fine lines and helps firm up the under-eye area. Persian silk tree bark addresses dark circles, while macadamia, olive and jojoba oils provide hydration, and create a shield against future damage from environmental aggressors.

Four skin lipids restore the critical protective layer for skin's elasticity and allow the delicate eye area to snap back into place after the daily strains. Your eyes will thank you for it.

Available at Harrods in-store or online, priced at £95.



GLOWING BRIDE

If a gorgeous wedding-day glow is the look for you, check out this lavish new launch from Payot. Suitable for all skin types and gorgeously fragranced, it dresses the skin with a long-lasting, natural-looking tan. The ideal addition to your spring skincare regime, it nourishes dry winter skin and gives your complexion a healthy streak-free glow, with a gradual tanning effect.

Its cocktail of precious oils hydrate the skin, with colouration results visible from the first day of use.

Visit www.payot.com/GB/en to find out more.



LOVE LASHES

In a Strip lashes have introduced two new light and fluffy styles, taking inspiration from Lash Perfect British, the new natural eyelash extension trend. This collection of 10, super-soft, luxury strip lashes can be moulded to the shape of the eye thanks to the flexible band, and are easily applied with lash glue.

We're excited about the fact that they're available in brown as well as black, making them absolutely ideal if you're a fairer bride or prefer a more subtle big-day look.

Check out www.yourbeautyhive.co.uk where the lashes are available priced at £12.95.



Luscious locks

When it comes to big-day hair, extensions are a must in order to achieve many of the trending looks. Whether you're a long-time wearer or the idea is completely new to you, Great Lengths' new Own The Day collection showcases versatility and the possibilities you can achieve. From a full head of bonds adding length and texture, to a few Great Lengths tapes at the side for volume and lift, your wedding day is the time to go big, own it, and leave your guests in awe.

For more style ideas and stunning images from the Great Lengths team, head over to county.wedding and check out our Beauty News section. To find a certified salon or stylist near you, head over to www.greatlengthshair.co.uk/salon-locator

www.josephscanlon.co.uk

Lip service

Burt's Bees latest range sees the brand utilise the deeply hydrating benefits of hemp seed oil. We love the 100 per cent natural origin lip balm (£3.99), which hydrates and conditions dry lips. Formulated with hemp seed oil and infused with beeswax plus other naturally nourishing ingredients, its luxurious texture offers smooth application in one easy swipe, ensuring a big-day ready pout.

Find out more about this and the rest of the range at www.burtsbees.co.uk



SPARKLE AND SHINE

Ted Baker's Midnight Bloom Shimmer Collection will keep you and your bridesmaids smelling and feeling fabulous on W-day. Ideal for adding a subtle glow to sun-kissed skin, choose from Shimmer Body Soufflé, Shimmer Body Oil, Shimmer Body Wash, and Shimmer Body Spray. You'll fall in love with the rich floral musk fragrance, which boasts exotic hints of green tea and lime blossom, floral notes of honeysuckle and snowdrops, with spicy undertones of cardamom, pepper and liquorice.

This gorgeous range is part of the Harmony Blossom Bath & Body Collection available exclusively in Boots.

BLOSSOMING ROMANCE

I was over the moon to hear that my beloved Jo Malone London has introduced a new limited edition Blossoms Collection. The cologne range features two news scents of yuja and waterlily, accompanied by the ever-popular osmanthus blossom, returning for a limited time (£52 for 30ml).

The playful scent of nectarine blossom and honey has been reimagined in a limited-edition cologne pen (£26). A great addition to your big-day supplies, it boasts a cooling ceramic tip allowing you to roll the fragrant gel onto the skin whenever you're ready for a freshen up.

Available at www.jomalone.co.uk and boutiques nationwide from May 2020.



EDITOR LOVES

It's logical when you think about it: think purple shampoo, but for your teeth. Billion Dollar Smile's Purple Tooth Polish (£10.99) brings colour spectrum technology, with a blend of purple pigments and whitening ingredients, to reflect a brighter and whiter smile. It also contains added vitamin E and natural papaya enzyme, which work together to break down stains.

There's something fun about putting this purple paste on your toothbrush, and its unusual yet pleasant taste left my mouth feeling fresh and ready for the day. I was impressed at how, after just one use my teeth already seemed brighter.

Check out the website www.billiondollarsmilecosmetics.co.uk





INSIDER TIPS AND TRICKS

I have just become engaged and want to start thinking about my wedding make-up. Can you tell me some of the most popular questions that brides-to-be ask you as a professional make-up artist, hair stylist, and beauty therapist?

Kathryn says: Firstly, brides often enquire about whether they need to book a trial and every client that I work with gets one because they're included in my prices. I believe they're a very important factor to show each bride what they're going to look like on their wedding day. Sometimes, a client will come to see me with an idea of what they want and end up deciding on a completely different look. This is the beauty of having a trial day - you have the time to explore different ideas which is something that would not be possible on the morning of the wedding due to time constraints.

A trial works the other way, too. Brides will gain confidence in their make-up artist and build a sense of familiarity with them as a person so that when they arrive on the morning of the wedding, there's a sense of calm. My job is to create beautiful make-up while ensuring that brides can also enjoy their special morning.

Secondly, I get frequently asked about how much make-up should be applied. Many of my brides aren't used to wearing it so are apprehensive of it looking too heavy. I always advise them that they can achieve a natural look while wearing different products. Most brides want to look like themselves, just an enhanced version. However, if a bride regularly wears lots of make-up, they might not want the natural look and instead opt for a more glamorous one. This is also fine, and it's my job to listen to each client to understand how to make her feel comfortable and confident. I also specialise in HD Brows and get many enquiries about eyebrow treatments. For clients who want to grow theirs, I can put them on a plan where they have a treatment every three to four weeks, depending on how fast their brows grow, to help this. It's a long process though and can take up to one year for some to achieve their desired look so it's essential they don't pluck their brows through this period and let different areas grow back. HD brows are very popular with brides and not everyone needs a regrowth plan. If you're having a one-off treatment, I would advise this to be done three to four days before the wedding, remembering that you'll need to have a patch test 48 hours before your treatment.

THE YOUNG ONES

I'm having a mix of adult and teen bridesmaids at my wedding and the younger ones want their hair and make-up applied on the day. What can you suggest for them?

Jen says: I'm getting more enquiries for younger bridesmaids to be included in the hair and make-up schedule for the wedding morning which is fantastic because everyone should feel amazing on the day, no matter what their age.

For the younger girls, it's all about making them feel part of the wedding party and I help to enhance their natural beauty that I do for all of my clients. I pride myself on beautiful, natural make-up application, creating striking and confident brides, bridesmaids, flowergirls, and mothers. For the younger ones, it might be covering up spots and blemishes to give them confidence and adding a touch of colour to their cheeks, shimmer to their eyes and finishing with a pretty, subtle lip gloss. I will then create a complementary

hairdo that suits their face that might be a large plait or a head full of curls. Something simple, yet pretty and effective, is more likely to last all day.



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"Writing this during the coronavirus outbreak, my strict hand wash regime has left my skin extremely dry, so this hand cream was sorely needed. The cream smells absolutely divine – just like a spa – and the silky-smooth texture absorbs quickly into the skin leaving it feeling nourished. It's packed full of organic ingredients, the hero of which is Ishga's potent seaweed formula." – **Hannah Faulder**



Mavala, Chill & Relax Collection, Beige Chill £5.20, www.nailpolishdirect.co.uk

"The colour intensity is perfect, and after only two coats your nails are ready for anything. I have Beige Chill which is an ideal bridal shade, and it doesn't chip as quickly as most of my other nail products do. If you're in a rush, there's no need to worry as this polish doesn't take long to dry which is a big bonus." – **Olivia Gibson**



TRIED AND TESTED

Jo Loves Eucalyptus & Cedar Woods A Hand Collection
£78, www.joloves.com

"I've seen handwash and moisturiser duos in hotels before, but I've never even used the moisturiser, let alone considered having both indoors! However, this Jo Malone duo is truly divine, providing a fragrant burst with each use, my hands are left soft and supple – effects which last for hours. This is certainly a new, must-have in my bathroom." – **Danielle Harvey**

Leighton Denny Expert Nails, Rejuvenate Hand Mask
£6.50, www.leightondennyexpertnails.com

"Along with most of us, I've been scrubbing and anti-bac'ing my hands like crazy recently, so this intense hydrating treatment mask proved a real saviour. After 20 minutes encased in the special serum-infused gloves my parched mitts felt super soft and my ravaged nails and cuticles looked instantly revived. I kept my hands tucked under the duvet overnight for maximum absorption and was thrilled with the results." – **Sarah Reeve**



THAT'S HANDY!

Show off that engagement ring to full effect with the help of these hand and nail care heroes

Naio Nails, Gel Polish Starter Kit – Snow White
£32.99, www.naio-nails.co.uk

"This professional gel kit is incredible value for money. There are five – count 'em – five full size bottles! I love the stone cuticle pusher, the most effective I've ever used, and these gels work with UV or LED, so will suit whichever lamp you have. My white nails look super-chic and neat. If you haven't used UV gel before, I'd just advise researching application before you use." – **Kelly Andrews**



L'Atelier Green, #NakedNailsCollection in True Innocence
£15.99, www.lateliergreen.com

"This nail paint went on smoothly with no brush marks, right from the first coat. The brush is nice and thick, with the usual strong smell of regular nail varnish minimal. After applying two coats, I can tell you the shade is stunning, and ideal for brides. A soft shade of grey with a shiny finish, even without a top coat it hasn't chipped yet." – **Claire Ridley**



SUN-KISSED beauty

Our beauty editor, Kelly Andrews, chats to Olivia Buckland about all things wedding, tanning and feeling flawless



All images courtesy of James Rudland

Love Island's Olivia Buckland shot to fame alongside her now-husband, Alex Bowen, as one of the show's best-loved success stories. The pair tied the knot at Gosfield Hall in Essex in September 2018, so the star certainly knows a thing or two about big-day beauty. Now, a huge celebrity social media influencer, her 2.2 million Instagram followers hang on her every word when it comes to beauty and fashion tips, and her TV work on shows such as *Olivia & Alex: Happily Ever After* and *Second Chance Dresses* has won her a fan base outside of the popular dating programme. We caught up with her to find out more about her latest project.

GOLDEN GLOW

Olivia's latest venture sees her become brand ambassador for Cocoa Brown, a match made in heaven she explains: "I love being tanned all year round and this brand

allows me to do that. The range is amazing, and I love being able to share such a fab and affordable product with my social media followers."

To tan or not to tan? It's a question many a bride has asked, especially when not feeling overly confident about the application process. Olivia suggests Perfect Fade Self-Tan, and says, "It's amazing. It's so easy to apply for first-time tanners and doesn't leave a biscuit smell, which can often be a little off-putting."

"To ensure my tan lasts, I always exfoliate and moisturise before I apply and continue moisturising every day. When the glow starts to fade, and I feel I want to start again, I use Cocoa Brown Fresh Start Self-Tan Eraser to get rid of any old lingering tan. For the perfect bridal look, I'd recommend using the Miracle Mist to achieve a natural glow for your face. It doesn't need washing off, which is a bonus. The 1 Hour Tan Mousse

in the original medium shade is also great, it isn't overpowering, and gives a lovely glow, which always looks gorgeous against a white dress."

NATURAL BEAUTY

The star is no stranger to posting stunningly fresh-faced make-up free selfies to her social media, and we were keen to know how she keeps her skin looking so flawless: "I always make sure I take my make-up off before I go to sleep. I also swear by using face masks once a week. My favourite is Skin Republic's Prep + Glow. I use it before I put my make-up on, and it makes the application so much smoother ensuring it lasts." With such a hectic lifestyle, you'd be forgiven for wondering how she gets the time for any skincare regime, but Olivia says: "I am a sucker for a bath at the end of the day with a candle and face mask. After a long day, it's what I look forward to."



wanting to know her beauty secrets and how she constantly looks so flawless."

DRESSED TO IMPRESS

Post-*Love Island*, Olivia is grateful for every opportunity she's had and understandably feels a great sense of achievement. She says, "My clothing brand with Alex, Exempt Society is something I'm incredibly proud of. Also, having our TV show, *Happily Ever After* on TLC was incredible." Speaking of the star's television career, here at CWM towers we're huge fans of her other TLC venture, *Second Chance Dresses*, being wedding obsessed as we are. "I loved watching the brides' reactions when they found their dream dresses," she says. "It was such a lovely feeling because I could relate, I know how magical that moment is. My dress is currently being stored in the loft. I do toy with the idea of auctioning it off for charity, as I don't like the idea of it sat in storage, but I just can't decide!"

Having been a high-profile bride, we were keen to find out if Olivia had any big-day wisdom to impart. "Get wedding insurance," she says. "I didn't have to use mine thankfully, but it's such an important safety net. You hear of so many disaster stories. It's always better to be safe than sorry."

So what's next? "Alex and I have just bought a new house together, so we're mainly getting ready for the big move. I'm so excited to get settled in. We've such an exciting 2020 planned, so keep an eye out for new and upcoming projects."



Describing her day-to-day look as very natural, "if I'm not working I generally won't wear make-up at all," she says. When it comes to beauty must-haves though, she tells us, "My go-to product is the W7 Honolulu Bronzer. It gives me instant cheekbones!"

Having worked with some incredible make-up artists such as Anna Lingis and Lo Dias, Olivia finds a wealth of inspiration in the beauty industry. She explains, "It's full of people I look up to, but my main influence has got to be Rosie Huntington-Whiteley. She always shares her latest make-up must-haves, which I love. I always find myself



Olivia Buckland is the face of Cocoa Brown, which is available in Superdrug and Primark stores nationwide.

DAZZLING COMPLEXION

John Lewis & Partners have unveiled plans to sell men's make-up brand War Paint for Men in its flagship Oxford Street store and on the company's website. The full range of products includes foundation, concealer, bronzer and powder. In addition, John Lewis & Partners also offer a range of men's personal styling services and a dedicated studio in its Southampton shop.

Daniel Gray, the founder of War Paint for Men, said: "This is a massive step in the right direction, not just for us but for the industry and men's make-up in general."

Check out www.johnlewis.com for more.



SCENTSATIONAL

We love Emporio Armani's new fragrance by Nicholas Hoult and Alice Pagani. The Stronger With You Freeze scent is made up of limes, apples, sage, chestnut and iced lavender to create an unforgettable smell.

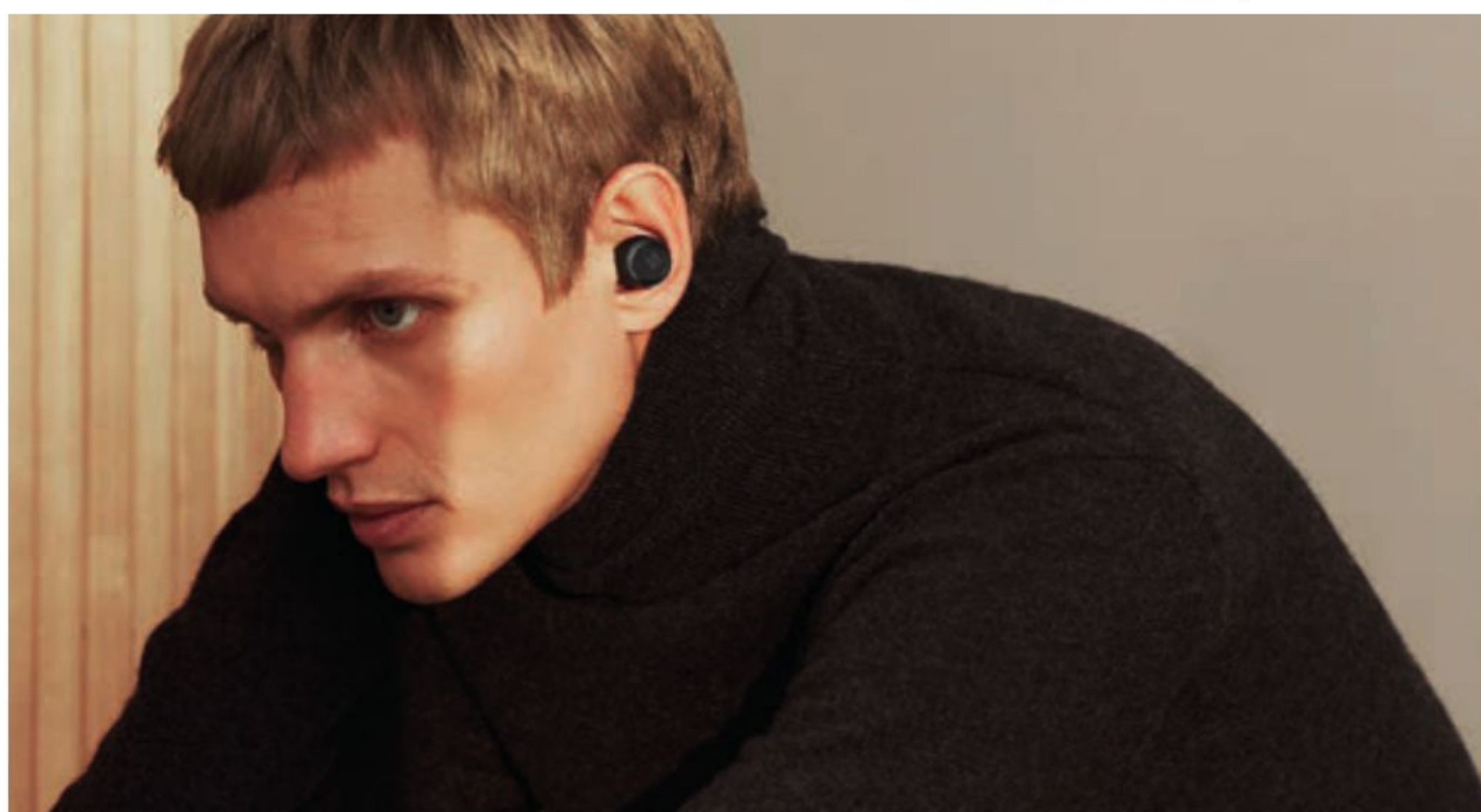
Brides-to-be can purchase the In Love With You version that's made using red cherries and jasmine.

Both are available to purchase from www.thefragranceshop.co.uk



Read all ABOUT IT!

Grooms editor Melissa Barker shares the latest best buys and product launches



DANCE TO THE BEAT

Bang & Olufsen has announced its next generation of Beoplay E8 earphones. The ideal gift for any groom-to-be, the product uses 3D-modelling to ensure it fits a large variety of ear shapes and sizes and boasts up to 35 hours of playtime.

Christoffer Østergaard Poulsen, the vice president of product management, said: "With the third generation of Beoplay E8, we have made the world's best-sounding true wireless earphones even better."

Visit www.bang-olufsen.com for more.

Sock it to me

Lincolnshire-based company, Sophie Allport has released its spring/summer 2020 collection. The homeware brand incorporates the founder's love of country living and wildlife to create beautiful products.

The collection is made up of kitchen and dining products, men's socks and wash bags, handkerchiefs and much more.

For more information, visit www.sophieallport.com



A CLOSE SHAVE

Award-winning barbers, ADAM, has revealed a new grooming experience. The brand wants grooms-to-be to step into a contemporary, uncluttered space, indulge in the artful hands of the highly-skilled barbers and walk out feeling restored while also looking sharp and polished. Customers will get to experience ADAM's exclusive product line which comprises of a beard balm, oil and hair paste.

Esat and Oytun, the co-founders, said: "We founded ADAM for the contemporary gentleman who works hard, plays hard and lives in a modern city but still seeks a classic and timeless experience."

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PARADISE FOUND

The new Emerald Maldives Resort & Spa is the latest addition to the Emerald Collection. Located on the Ra Atoll in the northern Maldives, honeymooners will be wowed by its spectacular design and deluxe all-inclusive offering.

Following its opening, the resort is excited to launch a romantic honeymoon package. Highlights include a memorable beach dinner on the shores of the resort's crystal-clear lagoon as well as a complimentary couple's massage at the Emerald Spa, before enjoying the Indonesian-style pool, steam bath, sauna and Jacuzzi.

There's so much to do: water sports, guided snorkelling tours, boat excursions to discover turtles, manta rays, dolphins and even whale sharks – what more could you ask for? Visit www.emerald-maldives.com

TOTAL LUXURY

We had to put Villa Kasika on your honeymoon radar. On the island of Koh Yao Noi in Phang Nga Bay, between the island of Phuket and Krabi on the Thai mainland, it's a real brag-factor destination. You can stay in a beautiful treehouse-style villa with open-air rooms, private plunge pool, amazing views, a spa and direct access to the private beach. Known for its dramatic landscape, including limestone cliffs, lush and rich rainforests and little islands within it, Phang Nga Bay is an idyllic post-wedding destination. Find it on www.oliverstravels.com

HONEYMOON



It's going to be a tough year for the travel industry, but now is the perfect time to plan your dream honeymoon for 2021 and beyond. Here are our hot travel tips and product picks...

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LA DOLCE VITA

With celebrities such as Emily Blunt and John Legend tying the knot in Lake Como, it has made the spotlight shine even brighter on this incredible setting. The prestigious Grand Hotel Villa Serbelloni is located on the shore in Bellagio and has welcomed guests such as John F. Kennedy, Winston Churchill, Clark Gable and Al Pacino.

Renowned for its elegance, the Villa is surrounded by flower-filled gardens that slope down to the water's edge, making it the perfect setting for a post-wedding getaway, and its honeymoon package is fit for such a romantic setting. Newlyweds can indulge in Michelin-starred dining, a Villa Serbelloni Spa treatment, a romantic tour of lake Como by private motorboat and entrance to the breathtaking gardens of Villa Melzi. For a truly once-in-a-lifetime experience, couples can book the Imperial Suite; the largest hotel suite in the region, it comes with a personal butler and exclusive gifts. Head to www.villaserbelloni.com



Greece is the word

Ikos Oceania in Halkidiki, northern Greece, is set to revolutionise honeymoons in 2020 with its award-winning luxury all-inclusive concept. The property will offer a tailored honeymoon experience for couples staying in the Deluxe Collection suites. The thoughtful touches include visits to wineries, an intimate candlelit dinner on the beach, a turn-down service with rose petals and chocolates and a couple's spa treatment. The Deluxe Concierge will take care of all your holiday preferences and even organise a bottle of champagne on arrival and a MINI to explore local hidden gems. Find out more at www.ikosresorts.com



WILD AT HEART

Fairmont Hotels and Resorts Kenya has launched the most incredible eco-moon experience for newlyweds looking for a getaway that offers the chance to give something back. You can get involved with conservation and sustainable initiatives with an exciting three-stop circuit to explore the best of east Africa.

Each retreat has its own charm. Fairmont the Norfolk exudes classic style and is an oasis in the city. Fairmont Mount Kenya Safari Club, the former home of Hollywood actor William Holden, retains all of its silver-screen allure with pretty cottages and suites. The luxurious tented camp retreat, Fairmont Mara Safari Club, features four-poster beds, en suite facilities and private decks overlooking the hippo-filled Mara River.

Fairmont has added special experiences to allow guests to support the environment, local communities and endangered species. Couples can adopt an elephant, eat produce grown on land that was gifted to local women, plant trees and purchase mementos from locals to boost the economy, as well as enjoy luxurious accommodation and incredible safaris. Check out www.fairmont.com

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MAGICAL MAURITIUS

Maritim Resort & Spa Mauritius is set to relaunch in December 2020 with 60 additional rooms, new restaurants, bars and pools. "This isn't simply a revamp," Mark Spivey, director of international sales at Maritim Hotels tells us. "This is a completely new product. Our well-loved five-star resort is having a complete face lift along with new rooms and facilities to ensure we continue to offer a premium experience for our guests."

One of the hotel's new restaurants has already opened. Anno 1743 is a brasserie-style restaurant tucked inside a national monument, the Ruins of Balaclava. Inside, couples will find the Distillery Bar, which has the largest collection of rum on the island – the perfect place to ease yourselves into married life! Check out www.maritim.com

TREAT YOURSELF TO THESE TRAVEL PICKS...



This versatile vegan backpack is the ideal hand luggage size. Made from recycled plastic bottles, it's totally eco-friendly. Find it at www.ucon-acrobatics.com

As much as I like to think I'm a grown up, I still love Barbie pink! This suitcase from www.americantourister.co.uk caught my eye.



Update your flip flop game with these fab options from www.havaianas-store.com. The Glam Box also includes four Swarovski charms for a little added bling.

This incredible beach towel is going to revolutionise your sunbathing! It's super-lightweight, dries really quickly and the clever engineering allows sand to slip off easily – so you leave the beach at the beach! Get it at www.tesalate.com



SHORT

stories

Don't want to spend hours or even days of your precious honeymoon travelling? We hear you! Check out these incredible short-haul destinations...

MONASTERO SANTA ROSA, AMALFI COAST, ITALY

This spectacular former monastery has been transformed into 20 sea-view rooms and suites, which are suspended over a cliff edge. Hidden away on Italy's iconic Amalfi Coast, the hotel is home to the finest spa in the region and a Michelin-starred restaurant. Honeymooners can while away the hours between the incredible heated infinity pool, the stunning landscaped gardens and glorious historic spaces. Visit www.monasterosantarosa.com

DOMAINE DES ETANGS, MASSIGNAC, SOUTH WEST FRANCE

Escape to rural France for a minimoon in a French castle, complete with an on-site art gallery, Michelin-starred restaurant, a floating lakeside tennis court and vintage cars to explore the 2,500-acre private estate. At the heart of the property lies a fully renovated 11th-century chateau, which boasts incredible interior design and numerous pieces of contemporary art from Matisse to Picasso. Foodies will love the bespoke dining options, from woodland picnics to dinner in the wine cellar. Visit www.domainedesetangs.com

KALESMA, ORNOS BAY, MYKONOS

Set to elevate the island to new heights, Kalesma is a new luxury hotel opening in 2020. Kalesma means *inviting* in Greek, a name that is perfectly suited to the boutique property's ethos. The whitewashed collection of houses has been designed to resemble a charming local village, tumbling down a slope to Ornos Bay and the beach.

Newlyweds will enjoy spectacular sea views, a private pool and the services of the hotel's private experience managers to help them discover the island's hidden gems. Visit www.kalesmamykonos.com



SANT FRANCESC, PALMA, MALLORCA

Situated in the heart of the historic city, Sant Francesc offers the perfect base for an exceptional city break. The five-star boutique hotel has been lovingly transformed from a Neoclassical Mallorcan mansion and houses 42 elegant rooms and suites, three restaurants and bars and a fitness and wellbeing centre. Minimooners can discover the romantic cobbled streets of Palma, before relaxing – cocktail-in-hand – on the panoramic rooftop terrace with its glistening pool. Visit www.hotelsantfrancesc.com



ROYAL CHAMPAGNE HOTEL & SPA, FRANCE

One of the world's great wine regions took on a new dimension with the launch of Royal Champagne Hotel & Spa in 2018. Set among the vineyards, the boutique hotel is the destination's first contemporary-designed luxury hotel, which embraces the lush bounty of the wineries and surrounding UNESCO World Heritage Site. Inspired by nature and the cultural heritage of the region, the design favours natural materials and a Champagne theme runs throughout, all creating a feast for the senses. Visit www.royalchampagne.com



HONEYMOON

SIX SENSES, DUORO VALLEY, PORTUGAL

Newlyweds staying here will find delicious local cuisine, high-spec interiors and an outstanding spa in the heart of Portugal's wine region.

For the ultimate in romance, you can book the Vineyard Garden Suite, the highlight of which is an expansive terrace with a hot tub, day bed and dining area with spectacular views. You can even curate your own mini bar stock ahead of arrival and taste delights from the state-of-the-art wine fridge. Visit www.sixsenses.com



FINCA CORTESIN, ANDALUSIA, SPAIN

This is one of the finest romantic boltholes in Europe. Spanning 532 acres, it comprises an award-winning all-suite hotel, contemporary villas, a championship golf course, outstanding spa and sports facilities, exclusive shopping area and beach club.

Located in one of the most tranquil and sought-after enclaves of the Andalusian coast, it's ideal for a couple's holiday. We love that most of the items found in the suite can be purchased as a memento. Visit www.fincacortesin.com



ALMYRA, CYPRUS

A symbol of cool, contemporary Cyprus, Almyra offers a laid-back and elegant take on Mediterranean luxury after its multi-million-euro refurbishment.

Occupying eight acres of landscaped gardens on Paphos' seafront, couples can book one of the signature seafront villas to hear the gentle lapping of the waves outside. For those who can drag themselves away from their room, there's the tempting adults-only Almyraspa pool. Visit www.almyra.com

SUVRETTA HOUSE, ST. MORITZ, SWITZERLAND

Emerging from the trees of the Upper Engadine Mountains as if from the pages of a fairytale, the impressive turrets and Belle Époque exterior of Suvretta House stand out against the rugged landscape. Known as the Grand Dame of the Mountains, it gives couples the chance to snuggle up in the snow on a romantic alpine break in one of Switzerland's finest hotels. Why not indulge in its wonderful activities from ice-skating under the stars to a champagne carriage ride into the mountains. Visit www.suvrettahouse.ch



THE VICTORIA INN, HOLKHAM ESTATE, NORFOLK

Escape to the north Norfolk coastline and treat yourself to a staycation at The Victoria Inn. Situated in the privately owned 25,000-acre Holkham Estate, it's the quintessential English minimoon spot. Nestled on one of the country's most stunning stretches of coastline, it provides a base for discovering the seaside villages nearby as well as a number of wildlife experiences. Hole up in one of the 20 bedrooms, and enjoy candlelit meals in the beautiful conservatory. Visit www.holkham.co.uk



GLENEAGLES, SCOTLAND

Want something a little more action-packed? The Gleneagles Hotel is the perfect spot to enjoy a range of country pursuits in this glorious playground. Think horse riding, falconry, off-road driving, clay-pigeon shooting and couple's golf. Its new adventure hub, Trail Yard, is ideally placed for outdoor adventures and for getting equipment and advice. Later, you can cosy up by the hotel's roaring log fire before an evening of glamour and fine dining. Visit www.gleneagles.com



PARADISE ON OUR DOORSTEP

Kelly Andrews discovers the minimoon delights of Hampshire

The more real wedding features I have the pleasure of writing, the more couples I encounter who tell me their first port of call post-wedding is to take some much-needed R&R, not in some far-flung exotic location, but here in beautiful Britain. The rise of the domestic minimoon isn't at all surprising when you consider how much this country has to offer from heritage to culture, and everything in between. After all, there's a reason we welcomed more than 29 million overseas visitors to the UK in 2019 alone. One of the most delightful and characterful regions of our stunning sceptred isle is the New Forest, thanks in no small part to the gorgeous ponies. Despite staring down 40 I still found spotting them while out and about on our travels to be great fun!

Situated in the heart of the New Forest, Balmer Lawn Hotel & Spa cuts quite an impressive figure as it comes into view on the approach to Brockenhurst. Built in the mid-1800s as a hunting lodge, it's played a part in some of history's most dramatic chapters, such as being commandeered as an army hospital in WWI. It was here, at this classic country hotel, where we'd rest our heads for the next two nights.

I'm always like a kid in a sweet shop when I set foot into a hotel room for the first time, and being told that I'd be treated to a luxury balcony room, my excitement levels were already off the charts. The front-facing balcony, complete with garden furniture and its own (artificial) lawn was a real highlight. One that I was determined to make the most of despite it being mid-February, chilly, and pouring with rain. I was also immediately in love with the super king bed, so vast and

luxurious I was barely aware of my mum's presence way over on the other side of it! Balmer Lawn has a brilliant online booking system, whereby you can see pictures of each and every room before you book. Being the ultra-nosey person that I am, you can bet your bottom dollar I took them up on that! It's well worth checking out this feature to ensure your room has everything your heart desires, whether it's just the two of you, or if you're joined by your family or fur-baby.

The hotel offers a fabulous dining experience. I was particularly swept away by the seven-course chef's tasting menu, every bite of which was beyond delicious. Dishes included an artichoke velouté, Creedy Carver duck breast, and salted caramel fondant. With appetites well and truly satisfied, it was off to the comfortable bar and lounge for an espresso martini night cap, before reclining in front of Netflix back in our room.

MINIMOON AT BALMER LAWN FOR £530

- ♥ 1 night in a luxury room including breakfast
- ♥ Access to Leisure facilities – pool, gym, sauna and jacuzzi
- ♥ 7-Course tasting menu for two in the Beresfords Restaurant
- ♥ Bottle of bubbly and chocolates in your room
- ♥ Afternoon tea for two
- ♥ Bespoke couples' massage

The package can also be booked for a couples' retreat, birthday surprise, or a proposal. An extra night can be booked for £220 and payment is due in full at time of booking.

HAMPSHIRE'S HIGHLIGHTS

Exploring the New Forest, and indeed Hampshire as a whole, will no doubt be top of your agenda. Balmer Lawn is ideally situated, barely a stone's throw from Brockenhurst and Lyndhurst, as well as within easy reach of the whole county's attractions. Check out my highlights...

Bombay Sapphire Gin Distillery **01256 890 909 |** **www.distillery.bombaysapphire.com**

Whether you're a gin expert or novice, you're sure to enjoy a day out here. With a variety of experiences on offer whether you want to be guided or left to your own devices, it's a fascinating visit. Crucially the experiences culminate in a cocktail, based on your own aroma preferences. We had so much fun.

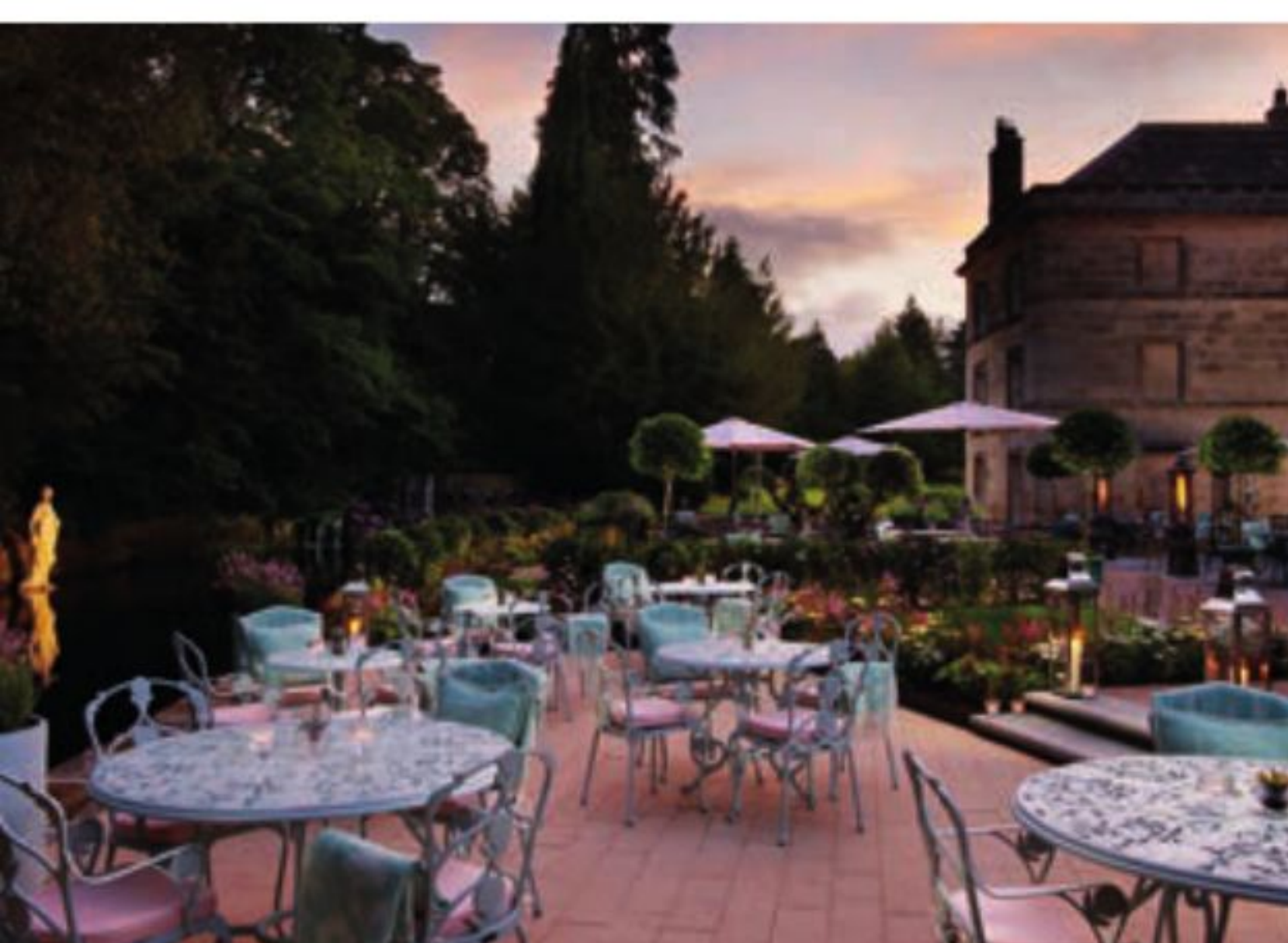
It's also worth popping into the Whitchurch Silk Mill on your way back through the town.

Burley Village **www.burleynewforest.co.uk**

The New Forest is bursting with traditional idyllic villages and Burley offers everything you'd expect. Witches, smuggling and dragons are all part of its character - a history which certainly hasn't escaped the local shops. What's more, if you're lucky you'll find ponies roaming freely as Burley is one of the few remaining villages still to practice the old tradition of commoming, allowing them to graze on the open forest. Burley is a wonderful place to while away some pleasant hours wandering around quirky shops and stopping for a bite to eat.



Yorkshire's finest



EXPLORE

If you can drag yourself away from the luscious surroundings, there are plenty of things to do nearby to make the most of your stay...

- ♥ *History.* Go back in time at Fountains Abbey.
- ♥ *Town.* Explore the elegant spa town of Harrogate.
- ♥ *Nature.* Get outdoors and marvel at National Trust Brimham Rocks.

Hannah Faulder finds out why the north's most lavish new hotel opening is the perfect spot to spend time with your loved one

Passing through the ornate gates and heading down the sweeping driveway, the Grade II* listed Grantley Hall appears in front of you in all its historic glory. Nestled in the idyllic countryside, the hotel and wedding venue's grounds boast a kitchen garden and an English Heritage-listed Japanese garden.

Step inside, and you'll find this stately manor has been transformed into Yorkshire's most lavish and talked-about hotel. With 47 exquisite rooms and suites, the tranquil Three Graces Spa and four incredible restaurants all in an enchanting setting, it's hard to imagine a more romantic retreat.

STAY

My sister, Laura, and I stayed in a suite in the Fountains Wing Atrium, a fabulous semi-open-air space complete with olive trees. The walk there from the reception took in some breathtaking interiors, from a showstopping contemporary chandelier and Roman-style statues to a fabulous lounge decked out in jewel-coloured décor and a cosy wine cellar complete with seating.

We were blown away by the attention to detail in our room – everything had been designed to make our stay just that bit more perfect. I've seen a pillow menu before, but a robe menu? I must admit we got quite excited about the light settings, which gave the perfect ambience for the day, evening and nighttime.

Returning to the room before bed, we were treated to a wonderful turndown service including mood lighting and classical music filling the room – the perfect bedtime ritual.

UNWIND

Laura and I are avid spa fans, so visiting the hotel's Three Graces Spa was a must. Named after Zeus' three daughters, the space evokes a Roman feel with its vaulted ceiling and

stone pillars. Appealing to the most discerning wellness-focused guests, it's a haven of serenity.

We made full use of the pool, steam room and outdoor hot tub (which included a bracing shuffle across the terrace on a cold January day). We also braved the snow room, although it turned out to be totally invigorating standing in a freezing room in your swimmers. Lunch in the spa lounge was a nutritious smoothie and bulgur wheat salad. Don't worry – there was cake too!

There's an extensive range of beauty and holistic treatments available and residents can also make use of the daily yoga sessions. In short, you cannot help but feel the weight lifting from your shoulders while you're here. How perfect would that be as a post-vow break to give you time to reflect on the most important day of your life?

EAT

There are four restaurants here encompassing everything from traditional fine dining at Shaun Rankin at Grantley Hall to modern Pan-Asian at EightyEight. We dined in Fletchers Restaurant. A wonderfully cosy space, it offers for a warm, welcoming feel. Picture dark wood-panelled walls, rich furnishings, velvet-bound menus and soft lighting. The staff were attentive, but not fussy, even checking whether I was right or left handed before placing my wine glass down. We had an incredible three-course meal including a delicious mousse starter with pickled vegetables and truffle and a deliciously fresh salad made from local produce. The star of the show was the chocolate and hazelnut rocher; it was so decadent it could only be topped off with gold leaf!

For more information, and to book your stay, visit www.grantleyhall.co.uk

WIN!

A LUXURIOUS MINIMOON TO ALCÚDIA, MALLORCA

Enter now for your chance to win the ultimate minimoon at Zafiro Palace Alcúdia, with Zafiro Hotels

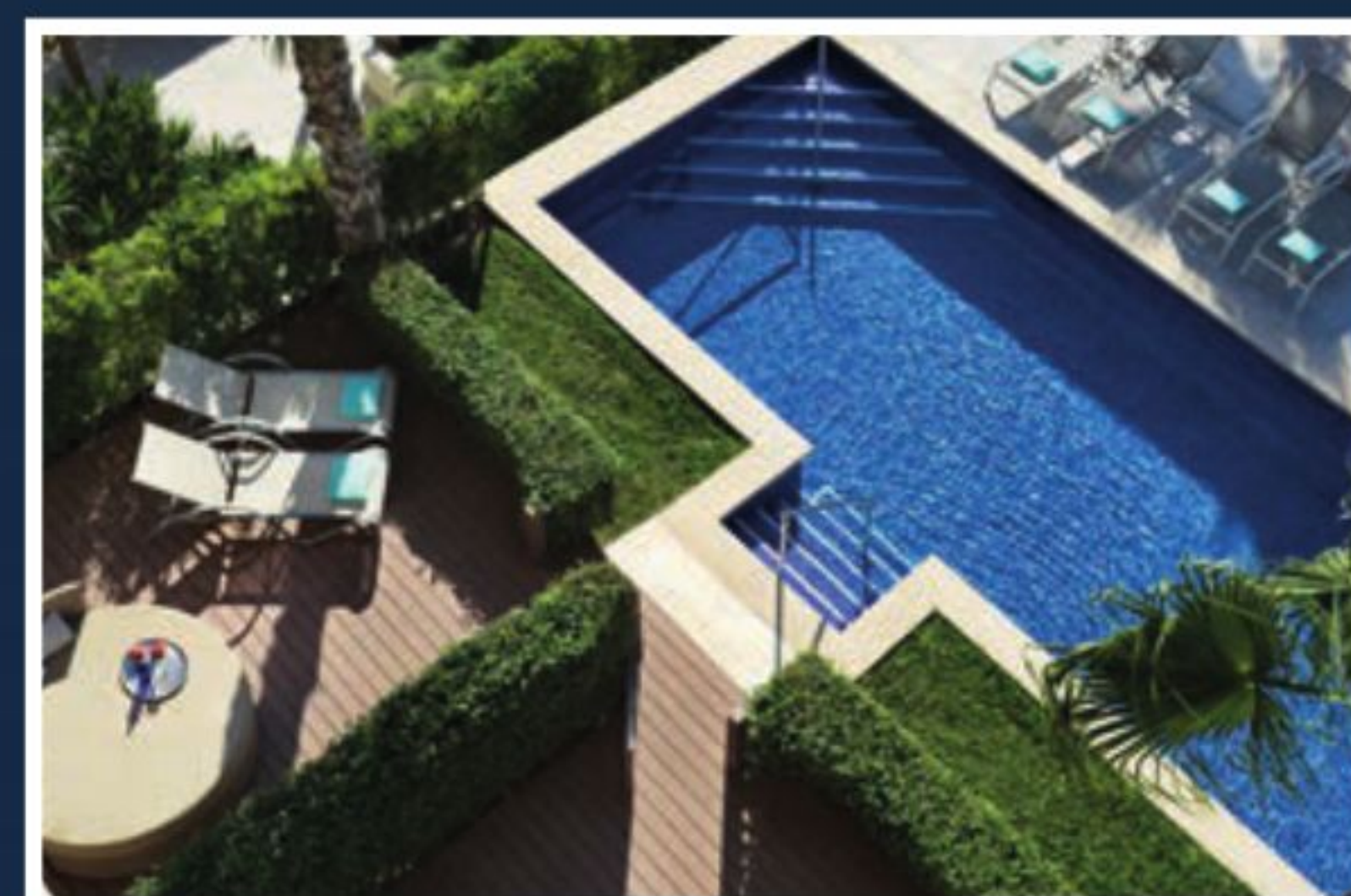
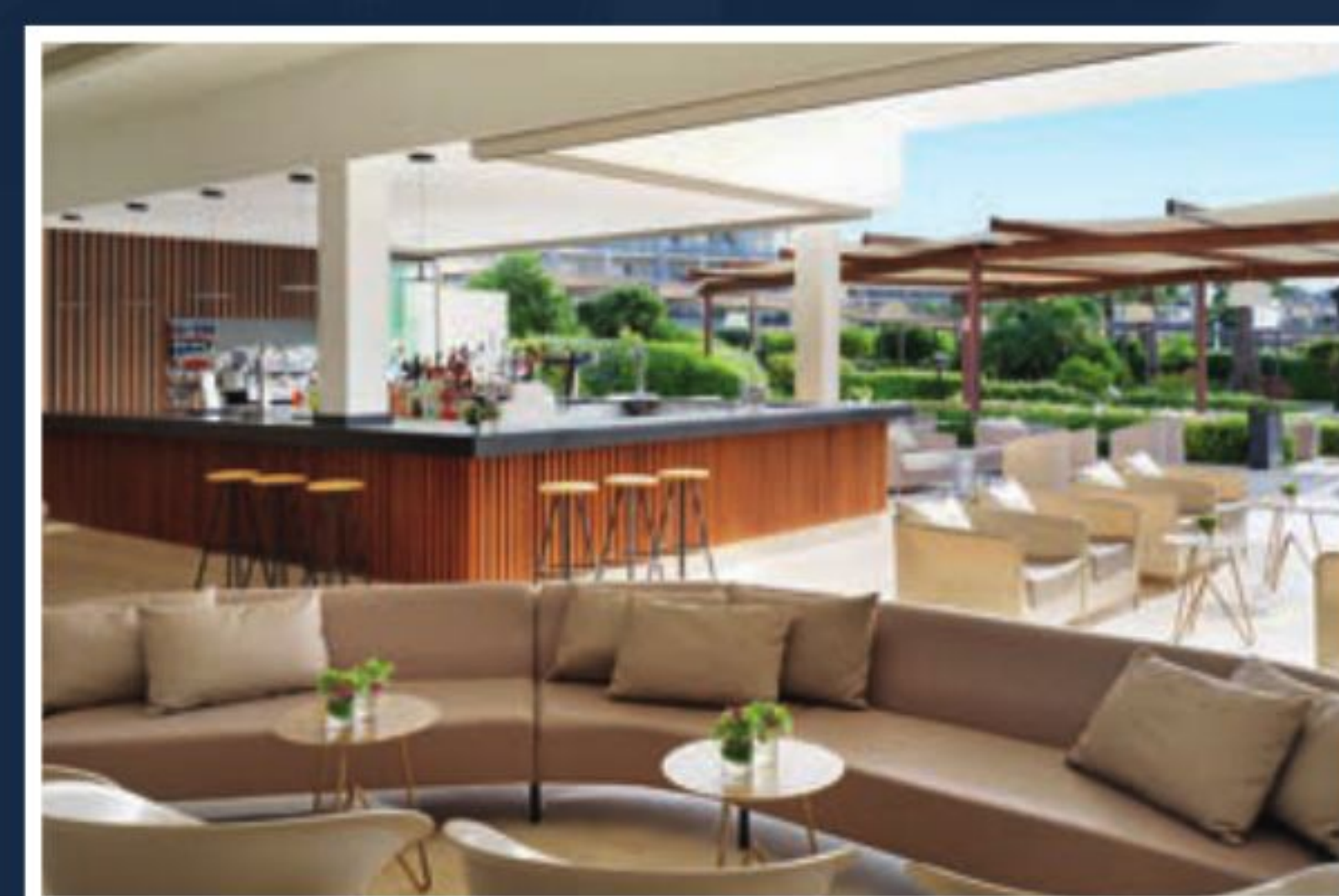
County Wedding Magazines has partnered with Zafiro Hotels to offer readers the chance to win a four-night minimoon at the five-star hotel Zafiro Palace Alcúdia. Situated on the authentic side of Mallorca, near to the medieval town of Alcúdia, Zafiro Palace Alcúdia balances luxury with mood-boosting experiences – all just steps away from the island's longest beach and its glamorous marina. The resort offers a selection of impressive suites to choose from, including the ground-floor Swim Up Suites, with private gardens and direct pool access.

Gourmet dining lies at the heart of

Zafiro Palace Alcúdia. Guests will be given the opportunity to experience five delectable themed restaurants, with a wide offering from local Spanish cuisine to further afield in the Mediterranean as well as Asian specialities.

The Zen Spa & Wellness Centre allows visitors to find inner bliss with a selection of luxury massage cabins, a sauna and two spacious swimming pools. The property also boasts a sensational kaleidoscope of pools – including an adults-only chill-out pool – along with excellent cycling facilities, a multi-sport court, high-tech fitness centre, volleyball pitches, aqua gym and putting green.

WORTH £2,500



THE PRIZE

- ♥ A four-night stay for two people sharing a Swim Up Suite at Zafiro Palace Alcúdia
- ♥ Full-board dining in the resort's five restaurants (breakfast, lunch and dinner included each day)
- ♥ Access to the hotel's Zen Spa & Wellness Centre
- ♥ Premium WiFi throughout the hotel

HOW TO ENTER

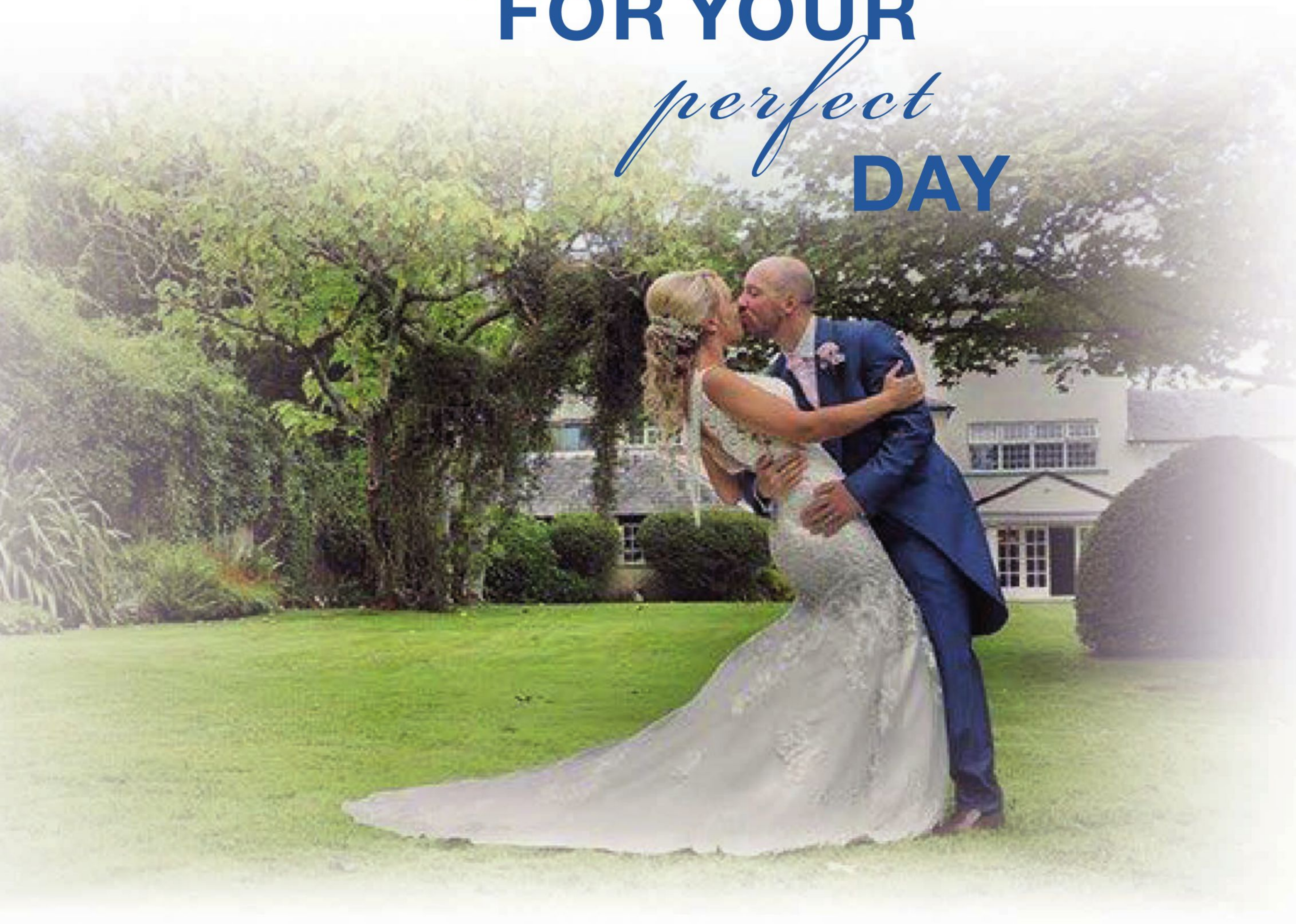
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On which Balearic Island will you find Zafiro Palace Alcúdia?

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