

# Frequently Asked Questions

## **How many people can the ceremony barn seat?**

The ceremony barn is registered for 140 people, however this needs to include registrars, photographers, videographers, musicians and a member of our staff.

## **How many people can the White Barn hold?**

We have round tables and chairs to seat a maximum of 144. If you would prefer trestle tables you will need to hire these in, we can seat a maximum of 144 on trestle tables also. Speak to our Coordinators for more details.

## **What are the dimensions of the barns?**

The White Barn is 7.8m x 13m (if you require a larger space and include the back stables it is 7.8 x 18m)

The Ceremony Barn is 6m x 16m

Disco Barn & Atrium is 16m x 9.4m

## **What time do we have to vacate the barns?**

Last orders will be called at 12.30am for a 1.00am finish.

## **What local accommodation is there?**

If you need additional accommodation for guests over and above what is available on-site please ask your Wedding Coordinator for details.

## **Do the yurts have bedding and towels?**

Yes, they all come with beddings and towels (making life so much easier!)

## **Do the yurts have electricity/ heaters?**

The yurts all have lighting, USB charging points, heating and electric blankets.

## **Do you have any local taxi numbers?**

A2B Cabs, Garstang – 01995 915091/ 07495720830

Garstang Local Cabs – 01995 471020

848 Taxi's, Lancaster – 01524 848848

Reddy Travel Private Hire – 01995 676160

## **Are pets allowed?**

We are a dog-friendly venue, however if they are staying onsite overnight this will incur a fee to cover the deep cleaning following the stay. Dogs are only permitted to stay in the North Wing and Keepers Cottage.

## **Is there anyone to help on the day?**

A wedding coordinator will be on hand throughout your day to ensure your day runs smoothly. They will be here before your ceremony right up until your first dance.

## **Do you have a marriage licence?**

Yes, we do! Your registrar can be booked through Lancashire County Council 03001236705 and it is now possible to book 3 years in advance.

## **Amount of deposit required?**

Amount of deposit required – for venue-only bookings the deposit is one quarter of the hire fee; wedding packages vary according to each package – please contact us for details.

## **What if we need to cancel?**

If you need to cancel give us a call and we can talk through the options.

# Guest Information

## Arriving at Wyresdale Weddings

You will find us at Wyresdale Park, Long Lane, Preston, PR3 1BT.

When you arrive at the estate, follow the road through a wooded area, then follow the signs for 'Weddings' and you will arrive at our wedding guest car park. You are welcome to leave your car here overnight.

Follow the 'wedding venue' signs which lead you through the reception garden to the wedding barns entrance porch.

If you are arriving and need somewhere to get ready/changed first then our Glamping Orchard does come with some showering facilities, changing room and toilet cubicles that can be accessed from 12 noon - please get in touch to let us know this is required.

## Accommodation

We have lots of amazing accommodation options on-site, all accommodation does need to be booked through the couple so reach out to them to see what's available.

## Check-in

Check-in for all accommodation is 3pm, we recommend you leave any luggage in your cars until this time. To check-in, you will need to give your name to a wedding coordinator or member of the bar team, who can be found within the wedding barns.

We have a list of where guests are staying provided by the couple and will be able to help point you in the right direction.

We ask that everyone is checked into their accommodation by 8pm latest.

## What's included

All linen and towels are provided for guests across all accommodation, with the exception of our two wooden pods.

Keeper's Cottage has a fully equipped kitchen including an oven, hob, fridge, kettle, toaster, cutlery and crockery.

The Nook, our 10 Glamping Yurts and the two wooden pods, all have access to a communal kitchen with a fridge, kettle, toaster, cutlery and crockery.

All accommodation has access to tea and coffee facilities.

Please note that if you are staying in either of the two wooden pods that you will need to bring your own bedding, linen and towels as these will not be provided.

Please also note that there are no hair dryers in any of the accommodation.

The North Wing, Keeper's Cottage and The Lodge all have an iron and ironing board but we do not have any steamers on site.

## Check-out

Check-out for all accommodation the morning after the wedding is 10am. Please make sure all belongings are removed at this time as you will not be able to re-enter your accommodation and late check-outs will be charged to the couple.

All cars need to be moved from the wedding carpark by 12 noon the following day.

## Breakfast

If breakfast has been arranged by the couple then this will be held in The Shippon, located just outside the café garden walls, opposite the artisan shops at 10.15am.

If breakfast hasn't been arranged then the Applestore café is open from 9am each day serving hot breakfast options.

## Important Information

- Please note our bar is card only, we are unable to take any cash.
- Please be aware that due to the rural nature of our venue, some of the grounds are uneven with cobbles and gravel. It can be worth taking this into consideration when selecting footwear.
- Anyone not staying on site will need to pre-book a taxi in advance, below are some local options:

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*We are so excited to welcome you all and help you celebrate such a joyous occasion.*

# Wyresdale Park Sustainability Policy

At Wyresdale Park, we are committed to creating a sustainable and ecologically diverse upland estate that balances environmental stewardship with productive land use. Our actions are guided by a deep respect for nature, the goal of nurturing biodiversity, and a dedication to producing nutritious food and valuable resources.

## Energy and Resource Management

- **Renewable Energy:** 100% of the estate's electricity is sourced from renewable energy in the UK, guaranteed by British Gas.
- **Sustainable Construction:** We use homegrown timber, primarily oak and larch, for construction projects whenever possible, reducing our reliance on external resources.

## Land and Livestock Management

- **Rotational Grazing:** We are transitioning to a rotational grazing system to enhance carbon capture and soil health, with longer rest periods for pastures leading to deeper root systems and organic matter enrichment.
- **Rare Breed Conservation:** At least 50% of our livestock comprises Native Rare Breeds, such as Lonk and Dalesbred sheep, supporting genetic diversity and resilience.
- **Nature Recovery:** The estate's Shoot has been closed to encourage natural recovery, with an observable return of birds of prey and other wildlife.

## Forestry and Tree Planting

- **Woodland Management:** A tree-planting program in partnership with the Forestry Commission aims to plant 150,000 trees, with 30,000 already in the ground.
- **Veteran Trees:** We are planting future veteran oak trees as part of the Forest of Bowland's Farming in Protected Landscapes program to restore parkland.
- **Invasive Species Control:** Since 2017, we have removed a hundred acres of invasive rhododendron ponticum, restoring health to Park Wood and Ghyll Wood, with plans to address Grizedale Valley next.

## Water and Flood Management

- **Natural Flood Management:** Through a 10-year partnership, we are fencing waterways and planting 10,000 trees along riverbanks as part of the River Wyre scheme to slow water flow. We have also deepened existing ponds and lakes to improve water storage.
- **Peatland Restoration:** Restoration efforts this year will reconnect the estate's lake to the wider River Wyre basin via a new tributary, contributing to water quality and carbon storage.

## Hedgerow Restoration

- **Hedgerow Planting:** We are restoring and replanting approximately 4,000 meters of hedgerows with support from the Rural Payments Agency and Wyre Rivers Trust, enhancing water runoff management and habitat connectivity. We have also introduced new hedgerows along historic field boundaries.

## Our Vision

Our goal is to make Wyresdale Park a model of sustainable upland estate management, focusing on:

- Maximizing ecological diversity.
- Producing high-quality, nutritious food.
- Cultivating valuable and resilient woodlands.
- Supporting the water and carbon cycle management.
- Providing a landscape that can be enjoyed by all.

This sustainability policy reflects our ongoing commitment to creating a balanced and thriving environment for future generations.