

# Intimacy on a Grand Scale



# Weddings at Winton Castle

# Weddings at their most romantic







## A magical, romantic ambience

Winton Castle blends palace and family home, a hidden gem set in a tranquil East Lothian Estate only half an hour from Edinburgh.

Steeped in Scotland's history and filled with a wonderful collection of art and antique furniture, Winton exudes a warm atmosphere developed over half a millennium.

Winton is still the family home of Sir Francis and Lady Ogilvy, and its beautiful conservation comes with a very welcoming, relaxed ambience. We call it 'intimacy on a grand scale'.

The grounds provide the perfect backdrop for your photos, with terraced gardens, flat lawns, woodland wedding walks and Sir David's Loch all set immediately round the Castle.











# A well-kept secret, and it's all yours

By limiting the number of weddings held here each year, we ensure that Winton is still something of a well-kept secret. It also guarantees that you receive the very best attention from start to finish.

Whether you want an intimate party for 40 or a grand banquet for up to 400 guests, Winton Castle is a fabulous, flexible venue to hold your wedding.

## Bringing dreams to life

From your first visit here through to managing all aspects of your big day, we will ensure that your wedding day goes without any 'unintended hitches'!

Our wedding service includes:

- Full access to our Wedding Coordinator with full management of your wedding, all day and evening.
- Menu and wine tasting for the bride and groom well before your wedding.
- A red carpet to welcome your guests.
- Your own printed table plans and menu cards.
- Freshly-cut bouquets of flowers throughout the castle.
- Winton's antique cake stand and sword for your wedding cake.















# Ceremonies straight from a fairy tale





You can choose the Castle's intimate Drawing Room or grand Dining Room for civil, humanist or religious ceremonies, or you can have your ceremony in a marquee, or outdoor in Winton's beautiful gardens (our Scottish weather the only deciding factor!). There are also lovely historic local churches for your ceremony.

## Ceremony capacities

Ceremony Options	Guest Numbers (Max)
Dining Room	150
Drawing Room	100
Marquee	120 - 400
Walled & Terraced Garden	Unlimited

"We not only had the time of our lives but many of our wedding guests said that it was the best wedding they had ever attended!...

...For all the efforts mentioned, and more, we couldn't have picked a more perfect venue for our wedding day."

Jenny & Nick

## Delicious delights









Your wedding breakfast is of utmost importance and your chef will ensure you have the very best locally sourced dishes. As all weddings at Winton are individually tailored, you will be invited to meet your chef during your complimentary menu tasting, where questions and comments will be welcomed.

On your wedding day you can have up to 100 guests dining in the Dining Room or up to 120 guests seated over 2 gorgeous rooms. For larger weddings, a marquee can be hired in addition to the Castle.

## Dining in the Castle

- Fine white linen tablecloths and napkins
- Crystal glassware
- Silver-plated cutlery
- Table candelabras
- Unlimited tea, coffee and soft drinks
- Fully uniformed Winton waiting team



"What an amazing coup to bag Winton for the nuptial celebrations. It really is a jewel. Quite exceptional to find a castle like that available for special celebrations, with Van Dykes and Canalettos wherever you looked amazing, and what a fiesta!"

Guest

## Dining in a Marquee

For larger weddings, you can dine in a marquee on the croquet lawn hired specially for your big day, right next to the castle, with:

- Bespoke ivory lined marquee with lighting, American Redwood flooring, clear span windows and French doors
- All tables, chairs and linens
- Full table set up as in the castle option
- Thermostatically controlled heating and cooling system
- Full catering facilities within a catering marquee on the side













# As the evening draws in

You and your guests will enjoy the freedom of the Castle throughout the evening, with dancing in full swing in the Dining Room, and any guests preferring to relax found lounging in front of the fire in the cosy Library.

All rooms remain accessible to your guests throughout the day and evening, which means the Castle can hold up to 200 guests for an evening reception.

The Octagon Hall will be your bustling bar area with a full selection of beers, spirits, whiskies and liqueurs. We can even offer a cocktail bar staffed by our experienced and creative mixologists.

Personalise your evening with fire pits, sparklers or fireworks for some outdoor fun, or have a whisky bar in the Vaulted Cellar for a real Scottish twist.

## Time to relax

#### Winton Castle bedrooms

From 2025 Winton Castle will sleep up to 20 guests in ten magnificent bedrooms.

We do not offer 24 hour service but provide a relaxed home-from-home environment, with your own host on hand for all your needs. Each bedroom has tea and coffee making facilities, bathrobes and slippers, and locally produced, luxury toiletries.



# Wintonhill Farmhouse & Winton Cottage

Additional accommodation is available on the estate in our three 18th century self-catering properties, all nearby and about five minutes drive from the Castle. They make an ideal base for friends and family during your wedding.

#### 4 Star Wintonhill Farmhouse

This beautiful, traditional Georgian farmhouse offers six bedrooms and four bathrooms, sleeping 12-14 people in classic country style. Wintonhill is fully equipped with a games room, large farmhouse kitchen, drawing room with open fire and stylish dining room with piano and dining table which seats 14 guests.

#### 5 Star Winton Cottage

Beautifully renovated, this large former laird's house retains many of its original features while combining modern facilities in a wonderful rural setting. Providing five bedrooms and five bathrooms, the house sleeps 10–12 guests comfortably. Fully equipped with games room including pool table and plasma TV, large child friendly enclosed garden, sitting room with open fire and open plan kitchen/dining room seating 12.

#### Lovingly Restored Broomrigg Farmhouse

Our new, lovingly restored historic Broomrigg Farmhouse, sleeps 8 guests in 4 bedrooms with 3 luxurious bathrooms. There's a farmhouse kitchen with a range cooker, a dining room with beautiful views, a cosy living room with wood burning stove, a patio garden, ample parking and an electric car charging point.

Please see our website for further details and rates.

"Never been in such a beautiful home."







## Hire & Accommodation

Exclusive Hire of the Castle	Price	What's included?
Wedding Day with 1 night stay	Low season £8,000	Exclusive access to Winton Castle and bedrooms from 8:00am the morning of your Wedding until midday the following day. Includes one night accommodation in all 10 Castle bedrooms with a full Scottish breakfast the next morning. Not all bedrooms need to be taken and prices will be adjusted accordingly.
	Mid season £9,500	
	High season £11,500	
Wedding Day with 2 night stay	Low season £12,000	Exclusive access to Winton Castle and bedrooms from 3pm the day before your wedding until midday the day after. Includes 2 nights accommodation in all 10 Castle bedrooms with breakfast each morning for all Castle guests.
	Mid season £14,000	
	High season £16,000	

Low Season: January, February and November Mid season: March, April and December

High season: from May - October inclusive, plus Easter and New Year

All bedrooms will be added to the exclusive hire of the Castle and cannot be booked directly by guests.

If you are looking for a mid-week wedding on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday you would benefit from a 10% reduction in the exclusive hire rate.

# Marquee Hire





All of our prices include VAT at the current rate



"The next morning, we were sad to open the bedroom curtains knowing we would have to say goodbye to the lovely views."

Laura Adamson & her Daughter



## Food & Drink

## Catering

Our caterers are very flexible with their menus so let us know your ideas. While we strive to honour the prices at the time of booking, please note that catering prices may be subject to change depending on suppliers increases.

Options	Price (per guest)	What's included?
Canapes	from £12	A selection of 3 canapes per person for the drinks reception. Additional canapes £4 each.
Grazing Stations	from £25	To replace the canapes. A table of food for guests to graze on through the drinks reception.
Traditional wedding breakfast	from £85	Full 3 course meal with tea & coffee, served by Winton's friendly and professional waiting team.
2 course BBQ or buffet	from £75	To replace the traditional 3 course meal. Rustic 2 course BBQ or buffet but with all the same settings as the traditional meal.
Evening buffet	from £10	Lots of options available from £10-£15 per person.

#### Drink

Our drinks options are completely flexible but here are some suggestions. While we strive to honour the prices at the time of booking, please note that drinks prices may be subject to change depending on suppliers increases.

Options	Price (per guest)	What's included?
Champagne Reception	£24	Served after the ceremony. Allows 2 glasses of Champagne per guest. Additional glasses £12 each.
Winton Castle Prosecco Reception	£14	Allows 2 glasses of Prosecco per guest. Additional glasses priced at £7 each.
50/50 Reception	£13	A 50/50 split of 2 drinks of your choice from bottled beer, G&T's, Prosecco or Pimms.
Wine Package	£14	Served with the main meal. Allows half a bottle of red or white wine from our personally selected Castle wine list.
Toasts	£7 / £12 per glass	Additional glass of Prosecco or Champagne for the toasts.

All of our prices include VAT at the current rate



# Sample Wedding Breakfast Menu

Our 3 course meals are priced from £85 per person and include unlimited still and sparkling water, soft drinks, tea and coffee. Below are a few sample dishes to whet your appetite!

#### To Start

Chicken, apricot terrine, spiced fruit chutney, sourdough crisp, salad leaves

\*\*\*

Haggis, Stornoway black pudding bon bon, wholegrain Arran mustard

\*\*\*

Carpaccio of salt baked beetroot, wasabi mascarpone, crispy baby gem & radish salad (v)

#### The Main Event

Salmon Mi-Cuit, herbed crust, crushed new potatoes, green beans, saffron beurre blanc

\*\*:

Slow braised Scotch beef, creamed potatoes, tender-stem broccoli, maple glazed carrots, braising jus

\*\*

Roast pumpkin with curried red lentils, spinach & coconut sambal, cucumber salad (v)

#### The Finale

White chocolate and orange cheesecake, mint & orange salad

\*\*\*

Caramel panna cotta, stewed apples, shortbread crumble, apple sorbet

\*\*\*

Gooey triple chocolate brownie, whisky Chantilly, fresh seasonal berries, sorbet

Children's menus are available on request, usually priced at half the rate of the adult meal.

(v) - Vegetarian option.

Wedding Photographer Credits - We are very grateful to all the brides and grooms and their talented photographers whose photographs we've used in this brochure. The photographers are listed on our website.











# Fun Extras

Options	Price	What's included?
Whisky Bar	£600/£1000	Our whisky expert plus 50/ 100 drams of rare whisky in our intimate and atmospheric cellar. Duration 1 hour.
Champagne afternoon tea	£55 per person	A sumptuous afternoon tea with Champagne served on arrival to the Castle (available for 2 night hires only)
Fire pits	£60 each (max 3)	Our rustic fire pits providing drama and heat throughout the evening.
Falconry	from £1,000	1 hour interactive display with 3-4 different birds of prey or owls. Usually held after the wedding breakfast before the dancing begins.
Clay shooting	from £66 per person	1 1/2 hours of clay shooting in our wooded shooting arena. Minimum numbers of 6 required.
Highland Games	£1500 (up to 50 guests) £2500 (up to 100 guests)	1 1/2 hours of highland games run by our clan chief to include tossing the caber, wheat sheaf throw and tug-o-war.

All of our prices include VAT at the current rate

# We call it 'Intimacy on a grand scale'





"We were made to feel so welcome and were truly spoilt by the hospitality of Winton staff... For such a grand building, Winton is so relaxed and flexible, and has a feeling of warmth and friendliness that made our experience so wonderful!"

Fiona & Craig







## Don't be a stranger

All weddings at Winton Castle are tailored and flexible so can be customised to match your dreams, whims and budget. If you'd like to discuss anything at all, please don't hesitate to pick up the phone, call 01875 340 222 and speak to our super friendly and knowledgeable team.

"It is an exceptional venue in all respects, managed by people who are very professional and so highly committed to the estate."

Mr Lachlan MacCallum (bride's father)



## How to find us

12 miles east of the centre of Edinburgh. (A720) and Scotland's motorway network.

You can drive from Edinburgh city centre For visitors flying to Scotland, Winton is





Winton Castle, Pencaitland, East Lothian, EH34 5AT, Scotland +44 (0)1875 340 222 enquiries@wintoncastle.co.uk