

BLUEBELL RAILWAY



WEDDINGS



A wedding with us at The Bluebell Railway will add that extra special something to your very special day and we are delighted that you are looking into the possibility of holding all or part of your celebrations with us.

Your wedding day should be everything you have ever dreamed of, and our job is to make sure that each wedding is unique, giving you as much or as little as you wish for in the way of arrangements. We have pleasure in enclosing details of all the different services that we are able to offer, including menus, wine lists and charter fees, and we specialise in giving you a day that is tailor-made to your personal requirements, as all our weddings are totally bespoke. We are only too pleased to show you around so you can have a clearer idea of the facilities that we offer before you make your choice.

To make an appointment to visit us at the Railway please contact Julia Piqué our Wedding Adviser in the Sales & Information Office.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Bluebell Railway for an unforgettable experience.

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The Ceremony

We have two very different rooms that are licenced for Civil Marriages and Partnerships.

For the smaller more intimate ceremony we suggest The Waiting Room on Platform 1 at Horsted Keynes, our restored Victorian station located amidst the winding lanes of West Sussex. The maximum number of people this room can hold is 40, including the Bride and Groom and two Registrars.

Should you need a larger room for your marriage ceremony, we can offer you The Birch Grove Suite which is a private room situated above our restaurant on the platform at Sheffield Park. This room is licenced for 60 people, again including the wedding couple and two Registrars.

Both rooms will be decorated with professional floral arrangements in the colours of your choice, and we can also order all your wedding bouquets and buttonholes for your guests to co-ordinate with your colour scheme.

Additional wedding decorations for you to personalise the larger Birch Grove Suite can be easily arranged.

Both venues offer a CD player for you to bring your own music, and live music is welcomed where space allows.

From your initial approach to us, you will have the services of a dedicated Wedding Adviser who will take care of all the details and arrangements to make sure that everything runs smoothly for you on your special day.



Civil Ceremonies at The Bluebell Railway

Once you have chosen a date for your wedding, it is important that you contact the respective Registration service to book the Registrars for your ceremony.

You will need to contact the Superintendent Registrar, who will be happy to answer any questions you may have regarding the procedures to be followed. You will then be able to confirm the date and time of your ceremony with us.

A ceremony at Sheffield Park is served by Lewes Registration Office, and a ceremony at Horsted Keynes is served by Haywards Heath Registration Office

Fees for your Civil Ceremony are paid directly to the appropriate Registration Office.

www.westsussex.gov.uk

Tel: 01243 642122

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In addition, we are delighted to be able to offer the services of a professional Celebrant who can help you design the perfect bespoke ceremony to celebrate your special Wedding Day or your Renewal of Vows just the way you want outside the confines of a licenced venue, perhaps on a train itself, or around our grounds.

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Drinks Receptions

After your ceremony you and your guests can enjoy drinks served on the platform by uniformed staff before your chosen train pulls in to take you off for your wedding breakfast.

Towards the end of your trip you may choose to cut your wedding cake with toasts and champagne on board the train, or you might decide to alight onto the platform again, where this can take place under a decorated gazebo.

<i>Pimms per jug for 6 people</i>	<i>£22.95</i>
<i>Pimms per glass</i>	<i>£5.95</i>
<i>Bucks Fizz with Sparkling Wine per glass</i>	<i>£6.95</i>
<i>Non-alcoholic Fruit Cup per jug for 6 people</i>	<i>£11.50</i>
<i>Sparkling Elderflower Pressé per jug for 6 people</i>	<i>£14.95</i>
<i>Mulled Wine per glass</i>	<i>£4.25</i>
<i>Fruit Juices per jug for 6 people</i>	<i>£9.25</i>

Any still or sparkling wines or Champagne can be chosen from the accompanying Wine List at the listed price per bottle.

Canapés

Please choose six of the following for £8.50 or four for £7.00 per person

<i>Ham Hock, Pea & Mustard Croustade</i>	<i>Parmesan Cheese Straws</i>
<i>Tapenade & Cheddar Palmières</i>	<i>Fig & Roquefort Crostini</i>
<i>Cream Cheese, Chive & Cucumber Carpaccio</i>	<i>Red Pepper Hummus & Tomato Cups</i>
<i>Smoked Salmon, & Cream Cheese Blinis</i>	<i>Chicken Liver & Redcurrant Cups</i>
<i>Smoked Mackerel & Horseradish Bouchée</i>	<i>Vegetable Tartlet</i>
<i>Red Pepper Salsa & Prawn Spoons</i>	<i>Honey-glazed Chipolatas</i>
<i>Custard & Nutmeg Tartlet</i>	<i>Petite Strawberry Scone</i>
<i>Red Fruit Meringuette</i>	

Oven-roasted Pigs in Blankets Honey-& Ginger glazed Chipolatas
Vegetable Spring Rolls
(served hot and only available at Sheffield Park Station)

Your Wedding Breakfast

*Step aboard the fabulous Golden Arrow Dining Train
for a truly memorable experience.*

*You and your guests will travel in 1920s luxury whilst enjoying fine food
and wines silver-served to you by experienced and attentive staff as you journey
through the delightful Sussex countryside that surrounds our line.*

*The Golden Arrow can accommodate 64 guests in its two Pullman carriages,
and is steam-hauled by one of our historic locomotives.*

*The train recreates the fabulous Golden Arrow which once linked London and Paris
with the style and panache that made it one of the most glamorous
and famous trains in the world.*

Seating capacity on this train can be increased to 106 if required.

*We are also able to offer The Wealden Rambler,
a set of four 1950s Lounge Car carriages, with a maximum
seating capacity of 125 guests, on which you can be served either
a delicious hot or cold Luncheon menu
or an elegantly traditional Afternoon Tea.*

*Smaller parties can enjoy the more intimate surroundings of
The Great Northern Directors Saloon. Built in 1897 and now owned by the
Howlden Trust, this stunning saloon, only recently offered for wedding receptions,
can entertain up to 18 guests with a stylish buffet or an Afternoon Tea.*

*You can also choose to take a shorter trip on one of our scheduled
train services, followed by a traditional
sit-down banquet or a buffet in The Birch Grove Suite.*

*The Birch Grove Suite is also available to hire as a venue
for cake-cutting, Toasts and speeches, as well as providing space
for Evening Receptions with bands, DJs and a buffet spread.*

*We can also arrange for evening celebrations in marquees situated
at either Sheffield Park or Horsted Keynes, with all facilities for
a bar, dancing and al fresco food.*

The Birch Grove Suite

In addition to a reception held on board a train, we also offer the facilities of the more modern function room which is situated above the Bessemer Arms Restaurant on Platform 1 at Sheffield Park Station.

It is not necessary for you to hold your Marriage Ceremony with us at the Railway or to have taken a ride on our trains in order to appreciate a Wedding Reception with us.

You and your guests can enjoy a traditional sit-down meal in the comfort of our fully air-conditioned room, which contains its own private bar and service facilities. Alternatively you can partake of a sumptuous buffet which will have been especially prepared for you on the premises by our own Chef. The maximum number of guests is 64 to be seated for a Wedding Breakfast and 90 for a Buffet Reception.

All our Banqueting Menus are available for silver-service, together with any of the Wedding Buffet Menus.

The Birch Grove Suite has been tastefully decorated with railway-themed murals, leaving plenty of scope for more traditional wedding decorations if required.

The Suite is accessed by stairs from Platform 1 and a stair-lift is available.

On the next few pages you will find a selection of our menus from which you can choose a perfect meal for you and your guests to enjoy. Our chefs are always willing to vary menus to suit your particular wishes, and are always happy to cater for specific dietary requirements if necessary.

In short, we will do our utmost to implement your wishes so that you are unable to forget your wedding with a difference here at The Bluebell Railway.

Banqueting Menus

for the Golden Arrow and the Birch Grove Suite

Flora Menu

£51.00

Feta Cheese, Roasted Capsicum & Toasted Pine Nut Tart



*Pesto-cruste Salmon Supreme
on a sun-blushed Tomato & White Bean Cassoulet*



Dark Chocolate Torte garnished with Fresh Berries

Pearl Menu

£51.75

Assiette of Salmon, Trout & Mackerel with a Dill & Horseradish Crème Fraiche



*Gratinated Pork Fillet Leek Mille Feuille
wrapped in Smoked Bacon with Apple & Parsnip*



Raspberry Pavlova served with Chantilly Cream

Lucille Menu

£53.00

Smoked Duck Salad with Asparagus Spears, Fig & Balsamic Dressing



*Corn-fed Chicken Chasseur
with Roasted Mushroom, Tomato & Tarragon Sauce*



Crème Brulée Cheesecake garnished with Fresh Berries

Leona Menu

£55.75

Roasted Red Pepper, Courgette & Plum Tomato Soup



*Barded Loin of Cod glazed with Mature Cheddar
with a White Wine Lyonnaise Sauce*



Chocolate Delice Almond Sponge topped with Chocolate Ganache

Zena Menu

£59.25

*Pressing of Chicken & Pancetta
served with Crostini & Piccalilli*



*Roast Sirloin of British Beef
with a Nut-brown Yorkshire Pudding & a Red Wine Sauce*



*Lemon & Blueberry Posset
with a Butter Shortbread Biscuit*

Lydia Menu

£61.50

*Velouté of Pea, Watercress & Potato
served with Herb Croutons*



*Braised Dusted Duck Breast in Blackberry Sauce
on a Bed of Spiced Red Cabbage*



*Chocolate Box
Rich Chocolate Mousse, Caramel Cream Centre*

Carina Menu

£63.25

*Salmon & Scallop Brochette
Herb-oil marinated pieces on Flash-fried Vegetables*



*Slow-braised Leg of Lamb Tranche
with Maple Syrup glazed Root Vegetables & Rosemary Jus*



Pear & Blackberry Crumble served with a Vanilla Custard

Cecilia Menu

£66.75

Duo of Salmon, Crayfish & Artichoke Tian



*Guinea Fowl Supreme
With an Apricot & Cumberland Farce*



Banoffee Pie

London Gourmet Menu

£77.00

Chef's Medley of Canapés



Asparagus wrapped in Bacon on a bed of Dressed Rocket Leaves



Refreshing Fruit Sorbet



Roast Sirloin of Beef with a Bourguignon Garnish



Dairy Cream Profiteroles served with Chocolate Sauce

Paris Gourmet Menu

£82.75

Chef's Medley of Canapés



Grilled Goats Cheese Croutiere with an Apricot & Ginger Chutney



Demi-Tasse of Gazpacho



*Medallions of Beef Fillet with Thyme-roasted Chateau Potatoes
and a Mushroom & Madeira Sauce*



Trio of Lemon Desserts

All main courses are served with a selection of seasonal vegetables

*All prices include freshly brewed Bluebell Blend Coffee
with a Golden Arrow Chocolate*

Cheese & Biscuits £7.50

Vegetarian Options

£44.75

Starters

Warm Asparagus Spears with Hollandaise and Mixed Leaves

or

Tomato & Mozzarella Salad with Red Basil and a Vinaigrette Dressing

or

Chilled Galia Melon filled with Fresh Berries

or

Woodland Mushroom & Tarragon Velouté

Main Courses

Honey-roasted Root Vegetable Tarte Tatin

or

Wild Mushroom, Leek & Roasted Pepper Lasagne

or

Butternut Squash & Rocket Risotto

or

Roasted Mediterranean Vegetable & Goats Cheese Bruschetta

*Any dietary requirements can be catered for
but must be discussed in advance.*

Children's Menus

£13.95

Starters

Tomato Soup

or

Garlic Bread

or

Carrot & Cucumber Sticks

Main Courses

Chicken Goujons & Potato Smiles

or

Macaroni Cheese with a Seasonal Salad

or

Sausage & Mash

Desserts

Vanilla Ice Cream

or

Apple & Grape Salad

or

Chocolate Brownie

or choose our Stepney Picnic Box for £8.00 per person

Hot Menus for the Wealden Rambler
£36.25 for 2 Courses £42.50 for 3 Courses

Please choose one of the following dishes per course

Field Mushroom & Tarragon Soup or
Citrus & Coriander marinated Prawn & Crayfish Tail Cocktail or
Plum Tomato & Mozzarella Salad with Rocket Leaves

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Lemon & Thyme-roasted Chicken Breast on Summer Vegetables with a Honey & Balsamic Dressing or
Fillet of Herb-crusted Salmon with Nicoise Vegetables or
Slow-cooked Tranche of Beef with Roasted Root Vegetables in Red Wine with Creamed Potatoes or
Sweet Pepper, Mozzarella & Penne Ragout served with Garlic Bread (v)

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Plated Mature Cheddar & Stilton with Biscuits & Quince or
Fruit Pavlova with Pouring Cream or
Lemon Tart garnished with Fresh Raspberries or
Fresh Fruit Salad

Cold Menus for the Wealden Rambler
£30.50 for 2 Courses £36.25 for 3 Courses

Please choose one of the following dishes per course

Salmon Terrine with Lemon & Dill Remoulade or
Parisienne Melon Cocktail or
Pearls of Mozzarella with Sun-blushed Tomatoes on a Peppery Rocket Salad or
Ham Hock Terrine with Piccalilli

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Slices of Thyme & Cracked Black Pepper Roasted Sirloin of Beef or
Honey-roast Ham with Wholegrain Mustard or
Turkey Breast with Orange-zested Cranberry Sauce or
Chilled Dressed Salmon with Lemon & Horseradish Remoulade or
Goats Cheese & Caramelised Onion Tartlet

All served with a selection of
Mixed Leaves, Cucumber & Tomato, Coleslaw & Minted New Potato Salad

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Plated Mature Cheddar & Stilton with Biscuits & Quince or
Fruit Pavlova with Pouring Cream or
Chocolate & Raspberry Cheesecake or
Fresh Fruit Salad

The Wealden Rambler Afternoon Tea

£33.00

A selection of Sandwiches:

Free-range Egg Mayonnaise & Rocket Salad

Wiltshire Ham & Wholegrain Mustard

Mature Cheddar, Red Leicester & Onion Mayonnaise

Smoked Salmon with a Herbed Citrus Crème Fraiche

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Warm Sultana Scone with Cornish Clotted Cream & Strawberry Preserve

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A selection of Cakes & Pastries:

Butter Shortbread Biscuit, Vanilla Tartlet, Victoria Sponge,

Fresh Raspberry Meringuette with Chantilly Cream, Chocolate Éclair

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A choice of Fine Teas:

Afternoon Tea, Earl Grey, Berries & Cherries, Camomile, Mint

Vegetarian, Vegan & Gluten-free alternatives available.

Buffet Menus for The Great Northern Directors Saloon

(Minimum of 18 guests)

Fork Buffet Menu One

£23.00

Please choose a maximum of three choices

Poached Salmon with a Lemon, Baby Caper & Chive Mayonnaise

Niçoise Salad of Flaked Tuna, French Beans, Cherry Tomatoes with Olives & a Vinaigrette Dressing

Chicken Penne Pasta, tricolour Peppers, Sun-dried Tomatoes & Basil bound in Mayonnaise

Sliced Honey-roast Ham served with Piccalilli

Roasted Vegetable Quiche with a Herbed Crème Fraiche

Hand-raised Pie with Pickles & Chutney

All served with Mixed Salad & Coleslaw

A Medley of Desserts can be added for £5.25 per person

Fork Buffet Menu Two

£33.95

Cold Poached Salmon

Platter of Larder Cold Cuts

Roasted Vegetable Tarte

British Cheeseboard with Chutney & Celery

Coleslaw, Minted New Potato Salad & Summer Leaf Salad

Panache of Breads with Butter

Mini Patisserie Medley

All inclusive of Tea, Coffee & Orange Juice

*Evening Buffet Menus
for The Birch Grove Suite
(Minimum of 20 guests)*

Finger Buffet Menu One

£17.00

*Selection of Sandwiches with Salad Garnish
Sausage Rolls
Vegetable Quiche Bites
Brie & Cheddar Wedges
Mini Chocolate Eclairs
Fruit Bowl*

Finger Buffet Menu Two

£19.55

*Sandwich Platters with Assorted Fillings
Oven-roasted Chicken Drumsticks
Mini Pork Pies with Sweet Pickle
Sausage Rolls
Chipolata Sausages
Carrot Cake*

Finger Buffet Menu Three

£27.00

*Barbeque Chicken Pieces
Prawn Marie Rose Vol-au-Vents
Hand-raised Pie
Mediterranean Vegetable Quiche
Petit Croûtes
Chipolata Sausages
Victoria Sponge
Fruit Scones, Clotted Cream & Jam*

Cold Fork Buffet

£33.95

*Cold Poached Salmon
Platter of Larder Cold Cuts
Roasted Vegetable Tarte
British Cheeseboard with Chutney and Celery
Coleslaw, Minted New Potato Salad, Summer Leaf Salad
Panache of Breads with Butter
Mini Patisserie Medley*

Wine List

WHITE

Bottle

<i>Clear Mountain Chenin Blanc (South Africa)</i>	<i>£17.95</i>
<i>Carlo Damiani Pinot Grigio (Italy)</i>	<i>£18.95</i>
<i>Southern Lights Sauvignon Blanc (New Zealand)</i>	<i>£19.95</i>
<i>Kingscote Bacchus 2013 (England)</i>	<i>£30.95</i>

ROSÉ

<i>Stallions Leap Zinfandel Rosé (California)</i>	<i>£21.95</i>
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RED

<i>Santa Alicia Merlot (Chile)</i>	<i>£17.95</i>
<i>Red Rock Shiraz (Australia)</i>	<i>£18.95</i>
<i>Bolney Estates Lychgate Red (England)</i>	<i>£19.95</i>
<i>JCM La Forge Estate Malbec (France)</i>	<i>£24.95</i>
<i>Rioja Reserva Finca Besaya (Spain)</i>	<i>£29.95</i>

CHAMPAGNE & SPARKLING WINE

<i>Golden Arrow Romeo Prosecco (Italy)</i>	<i>£28.95</i>
<i>Bluebell Vineyard Estates Blanc de Blancs (England)</i>	<i>£40.95</i>
<i>Bluebell Champagne Barfontare Brut NV (France)</i>	<i>£46.95</i>



Finishing Touches

<i>Additional pedestal flower arrangements</i>	<i>from £100.00</i>
<i>Decorated Gazebo for platform drinks or cutting of the cake</i>	<i>£75.00</i>
<i>Professional decorations for The Birch Grove Suite</i>	<i>from £60.00</i>
<i>Additional table decorations on train</i>	<i>from £7.00</i>
<i>Place-cards for Ceremony Room per 5</i>	<i>£5.50</i>
<i>Personally designed Order of the Day cards per 60</i>	<i>£110.00</i>
<i>Wedding Invitations per 50 with envelopes</i>	<i>£162.50</i>
<i>Ribbons and bows on carriage doors</i>	<i>£47.50</i>
<i>Personalised headboard for the front of your train presented to you when you leave by your engine crew</i>	<i>£165.00</i>
<i>Wedding gifts and favours</i>	<i>from £7.95</i>
<i>Bubbles for favours</i>	<i>£2.25</i>
<i>Use of 2 bubble guns</i>	<i>£15.00</i>
<i>Baskets of Petal Confetti x 2</i>	<i>£65.00</i>
<i>Hire of cake-stand and knife</i>	<i>£15.00</i>
<i>Cake boxes x 10</i>	<i>£20.00</i>
<i>Personalised 'original' train tickets for your guests x 50</i>	<i>£72.50</i>
<i>Personalised souvenir train tickets per carriage</i>	<i>£45.00</i>
<i>A selection of 'Bluebells' jewellery for bridal gifts</i>	<i>from £25.00</i>
<i>Large outdoor sparklers x 100</i>	<i>£75.00</i>
<i>White seat covers & coloured sashes for chairs in ceremony room x 40</i>	<i>£165.00</i>
<i>x 60</i>	<i>£245.00</i>
<i>Pew bows x 17</i>	<i>£47.50</i>
<i>Pew flower posies x 17</i>	<i>£127.50</i>

All prices above are exclusive of VAT



Fire Charges

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
<i>Civil Ceremony at Sheffield Park and Charter of The Golden Arrow Pullman</i>	£8005.00	£8805.00
<i>Civil Ceremony at Horsted Keynes and Charter of The Golden Arrow Pullman</i>	£7785.00	£8565.00
<i>Civil Ceremony at Sheffield Park and Charter of The Wealden Rambler set for two round trips</i>	£7045.00	£7750.00
<i>Civil Ceremony at Horsted Keynes and Charter of The Wealden Rambler set for two round trips</i>	£6825.00	£7510.00
<i>Civil Ceremony at Horsted Keynes and Charter of the Ashdown Lounge Car for one round trip</i>	£4925.00 + VAT	£5415.00
<i>Civil Ceremony at Horsted Keynes and Charter of the Ashdown Lounge Car for two round trips</i>	£6335.00	£6965.00
<i>Civil Ceremony at Horsted Keynes and daily Charter of the GN Directors' Saloon</i>	£4865.00	£5350.00
<i>Hire of The Birch Grove Suite for an additional Evening Reception</i>	£770.00	£845.00
<i>Hire of The Birch Grove Suite for a Wedding Breakfast Banquet</i>	£3500.00	£3850.00
<i>Hire of the Ceremony Room at Horsted Keynes</i>	£875.00	£960.00
<i>Hire of the Ceremony Room at Sheffield Park</i>	£1085.00	£1195.00

All prices are excluding VAT

All the previous Charter fees include the following:-

The services of an experienced Wedding Planner who will liaise personally with you from the outset.

Three floral decorations in the colour of your choice in the room in which your ceremony takes place.

Decorations at the entrance to the station.

Use of the CD player for your own music.

Personally designed Welcome Board and Seating Plan;

Fresh flowers on all tables on the train to match your colour scheme.

No food or drink costs are included, and these details are shown separately.



We hope you have enjoyed browsing through this pack,

We are also able to recommend and arrange your wedding photographs, your cake, your wedding bouquet, firework displays and vintage transport to and from the Railway.

Please ask for further details.

Should you wish for evening entertainment in either our function rooms or in a marquee at the Railway, please ask for our individual fees and recommended live music and discos.

We can also arrange a BBQ or a traditional hog-roast for you and your guests to enjoy later in the day.

To secure a booking, a deposit of part of the hire charge is required, with the balance payable at the beginning of the year in which your wedding takes place. All other costs are payable one month before the date of your wedding, apart from drinks, which will be invoiced after the event.

Whilst we welcome dogs at the ceremony at Horsted Keynes, we regret we are unable to accommodate them in The Birch Grove Suite or on any of the dining trains.

All our prices are correct at the time of printing. However, the Bluebell Railway reserves the right to increase charges in line with variations in market prices should the need arise.

Do get in touch if you would like to discuss anything further with us. We would be delighted to show you round and answer any questions you may have.

We have given samples of the services we offer, but all our functions are bespoke, so we would be pleased to discuss any ideas that you may have in order to ensure that your special day is just that - very special!

