



*Mar Lodge Estate
Weddings - 2027*



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Congratulations on your engagement and thank you for considering Mar Lodge Estate as the venue for your special day.

Located in the heart of the Cairngorms National Park, 4.5 miles from Braemar in Royal Deeside, Mar Lodge is a traditional Highland hunting retreat, filled with rich wood panelling, antiques ... and lots of stag heads!

Surrounded by ancient forests and rolling glens, wild rivers and rugged peaks, Mar Lodge Estate is an idyllic setting for your wedding. Built for the Duke and Duchess of Fife (Queen Victoria's granddaughter) in 1895, Mar Lodge is now an exclusive-use venue with self-catering accommodation for up to 45 guests.



Your dream wedding

Mar Lodge Estate offers lots of flexible spaces for your wedding. Our team will be there to guide and support you, to help you create a bespoke day filled with personal touches and special moments.

Ceremony

Choose between the Drawing Room or Craggan Room inside Mar Lodge, or an outside location on the estate, for your wedding ceremony.

Enjoy a drinks reception in the principal rooms of the house, before sitting down to dinner.

Drawing Room:
maximum capacity 90

Craggan Room:
maximum capacity 140

Outside:
maximum capacity 160





Reception

For smaller celebrations, the **Craggan Room** is the perfect space inside the Lodge.

Maximum capacity: 80

Alternatively, the **Stag Ballroom** offers a flexible and versatile space for weddings and can seat up to 160 guests for your wedding breakfast. With excellent acoustics and a sprung dance floor, you can end the day with a party to remember!

Maximum capacity:
160 (meal)
200 (dancing)

Accommodation

The Lodge contains five apartments offering self-catering accommodation for up to 33 guests.

With our bunkhouse accommodation sleeping 12, Mar Lodge Estate can accommodate a total of 45 guests.



Venue hire prices

Weekend hire of Mar Lodge

£7,500 based on a maximum of **80 guests**

- ♥ Use of principal rooms within the lodge for your ceremony and drinks reception
- ♥ Use of the Craggan Room for your meal and evening reception
- ♥ Use of the lodge and grounds for photographs
- ♥ Access to the lodge the day before and day after your wedding

Weekend hire of Mar Lodge

£10,000 based on a maximum of **160 day guests** and **200 evening guests**

- ♥ Use of principal rooms within the lodge for your ceremony and drinks reception
- ♥ Use of the Stag Ballroom for your meal and evening reception
- ♥ Use of the lodge and grounds for photographs
- ♥ Access to the lodge and ballroom the day before and day after your wedding

Marquee ground rent

£2,000

- ♥ Use of the lawn for a marquee
- ♥ Use of the grounds for photographs

Accommodation prices

3-night stay (Friday-Monday)

	May-Sept	Oct-April*
Braeriach Sleeps 2	£1,100	£700
Bynack Sleeps 17	£3,740	£3,280
Dalvorar Sleeps 4	£1,260	£750
Derry Sleeps 4	£1,260	£750
Macdui Sleeps 4	£1,260	£750

4-night stay (Monday-Friday)

	May-Sept	Oct-April*
Braeriach Sleeps 2	£1,050	£700
Bynack Sleeps 17	£3,865	£3,280
Dalvorar Sleeps 4	£1,200	£725
Derry Sleeps 4	£1,200	£725
Macdui Sleeps 4	£1,200	£725

* excludes Christmas, New Year & Easter

What's included?

- ♥ A **dedicated event manager** will guide and support you throughout the planning process and on the day of your wedding.
- ♥ Dedicated **changing room** - the Boudoir.
- ♥ Use of 160 **chiavari chairs** with cream seat pads.
- ♥ Use of 30 x 6ft **rectangle tables** (other table set-ups are available).
- ♥ Use of 30 x white, full length **tablecloths**.
- ♥ Use of our event **catering kitchen**.
- ♥ Our wedding gift to you is a year's **membership** to the National Trust for Scotland.
- ♥ All venue hire prices **include VAT**.



A few important things

- ♥ Venue hire **prices do not include catering**, refreshments or entertainment. However, we will be delighted to put you in touch with our recommended suppliers who know and love the lodge as much as we do.
- ♥ Venue hire **prices do not include accommodation**. However, we'd be happy to check availability and confirm costs based on your individual requirements.
- ♥ The **principal rooms** within the lodge include the Entrance Hall, Library, Dining Room, Drawing Room and Billiards Room.
- ♥ Since Mar Lodge is a historic building, we do have **some event limitations** to help protect the building. Your event manager will discuss these with you and suggest appropriate alternatives for some elements if required.



Recommended suppliers

| Celebrants

Aberdeenshire Registrars

www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/registrars

Felicity Gordon

07704430760

felicitygordon@thistle.one

Humanist Society Scotland

Sheona Read

Lesley Yule

Gary Smith

www.humanism.scot

| Catering

Country Flavours

01975 564047

www.countryflavours.co.uk

Harry Fraser Catering Services Ltd

info@harryfraser.com

www.harryfraser.com

Kate's Bespoke Catering

contact@katesbespokecatering.com

www.katesbespokecatering.com

The Lunch Box Boys

info@thelunchboxboys.com

www.thelunchboxboys.com

Regis Banqueting

sales@regisbanqueting.co.uk

www.regisbanqueting.co.uk

Thistle Catering Services

enquiries@thistlecateringservices.co.uk

www.thistlecateringservices.co.uk

| Bar

Glenaden Hotel, Ballater (Neil Henderson)

01339 755488 or 07917 456668

10 Dollar Shake

www.10dollarshake.com

The Horses Tipple

www.thehorsetipple.co.uk

| Hog Roast/BBQ

Balnault Farm Shop, Crathie

Info@balnaultfarmshop.co.uk

HM Sheridan Butchers, Ballater

www.hmsheridan.co.uk

Louises Farm Kitchen

www.louisesfarmkitchen.com

| Wood-Fired Pizza

Lily's Dough

www.lilysdough.com

Fallones Pizzas & Gelato

www.fallonespizzas.co.uk

| Oysters

The Oyster Man

www.theoystermanevents.co.uk

| Ice Cream

Portsoy Ice Cream

www.portsoyicecream.co.uk

| Cake

Gumblossom Cookies and Cakes

www.gumblossom.co.uk

Love Laura Lane

www.facebook.com/LoveLauraLane

| Cater Hire

Gordon's Cater Hire

www.gordonscaterhire.co.uk

| Furniture

Rustic Look Aberdeen

www.instagram.com/rusticlookaberdeen

| Sound & Lighting

Standing Ovation

www.standing-ovation.co.uk

Recommended suppliers

| Florists

Coo Hill Studio, Braemar
www.coohillstudio.com

The Flower Room, Ballater
www.deesidedeli.co.uk

Hay's Flowers, Torphins
www.haysflowers.co.uk

Sakura Florist, Alford
www.sakuraflorist.co.uk

The Secret Garden Florist, Aboyne
www.secretgardenflorist.biz

| Photographers

Chloe Noble Photography
www.chloenoble.co.uk

The Hoggs
www.thehoggs.co.uk

Jade Esson
www.jadeesson.com

Nicki Lyall Photography
www.nickifelthamphotography.com

Pocket Square Photography
www.pocketsquarephotography.com

| Pipers

Robert Grant
07491866445

Ross McNaughton
www.taypipng.co.uk

James Cooper Bagpiping
james@jamescooperbagpiping.co.uk

| Pianist

www.aberdeenweddingpianist.com

| **Ellie McLaren Music** (fiddle, bagpipes, ceilidh band)
ellie.mclaren46@gmail.com

| String Quartet Alerion Strings

www.alerionstrings.co.uk

| Bands

The Apollos
www.apollosband.co.uk

Bahookie
www.bahookie.org

Drams Ceilidh Band
www.dramsceilidh.com

Sneaky Treacle Wedding
www.sneaky-treacle.co.uk

| **Singing Waiters by SOS**
www.singing-waiters.org

| **Stravaig Saunas**
www.deesidetimbercrafts.co.uk/stravaigsaunas

| Hair & Makeup

www.jelenabridalhair.co.uk
www.kgbridalhair.co.uk
www.luxlyk.co.uk
www.instagram.com/h.airbyrae
www.makeupartistsaberdeen.co.uk
www.jacquelynmcphie.com
www.paulabeattie.com

| Taxi / Transfers

Bothies & Bannocks
www.bothiesandbannocks.co.uk

| Coach hire

Allan & Black Coaches
www.allanandblack.co.uk

E&M Lees Coaches
www.eandmlees.com

For the love of Scotland

By hiring Mar Lodge for your wedding, you're actively supporting the National Trust for Scotland's vital conservation work. Your support allows us to continue to conserve and protect beautiful places like Mar Lodge Estate for future generations to enjoy. **Thank you!**



What our wedding couples say

"We had the perfect wedding weekend at Mar Lodge. The Mar Lodge team were incredible and so helpful every step of the way in planning the wedding and especially amazing on the weekend itself. We loved that Mar Lodge is so flexible as a venue to enable you to create your own unique wedding. We absolutely loved the fact we had the whole venue for the weekend and all our friends could stay on the estate. It really felt like there were no hidden costs as the venue comes with all the furniture that you need and even has its own store

of wedding decorations for anyone to use which was fantastic. We would definitely recommend."

"We couldn't have asked for a more perfect weekend at Mar Lodge, the venue itself is stunning and the staff are all so kind and helpful. Louise was always available to provide recommendations or to help figure out how to get our day to run as smoothly as possible. We would definitely recommend Mar Lodge!"



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