



*An Invitation*  
TO THE BEST DAY OF YOUR LIFE



*Drayton Manor*  
PARK AND HOTEL, STAFFORDSHIRE





# Congratulations!

The question has been asked  
and the date is now set,  
it's time to start organising  
the most memorable day of your life.

Each and every wedding is as individual as you are, so for this reason we ensure that all of your requirements are treated with the utmost care and attention. Our team of Wedding Co-ordinators have many years of experience organising fabulous events, intimate or grand, whether it be your wedding ceremony, wedding reception, multi cultural event or civil partnership ceremony you can be assured of one thing – our attention to detail. We believe that you should have everything to look forward to and nothing to look after. That's why we will work with you in

every step of planning the perfect personalised event, from an initial tour of our event facilities to a menu tasting with our Chef to allow you to relax and cherish every moment of your big day.

Quite simply, our hotel is where 'happily ever after' begins.

## Drayton Manor PARK & HOTEL



### FACILITIES

- 3 air conditioned Function Suites for up to 300 guests each with private bar
- Licenced for civil ceremonies
- Luxurious Presidential room Wedding night accommodation
- Air conditioned bedrooms including family & deluxe
- Outside areas for drinks & photographs
- Dedicated Wedding Co-ordinator

Set in the beautiful Staffordshire country side, amongst 280 acres of lakes and parkland that was once the home of Sir Robert Peel; Drayton Manor Hotel & Park offers the ideal venue for your wedding day.

Our choice of three impressive function suites, each with their own unique character and features allows us to tailor your event, large or small to exactly how you dreamed it would be. What's more each of the function suites is fully licenced for civil ceremonies so if you would like to have your full wedding day with us we can arrange this too.

Our Tower Suite with its Victorian themed façade and elegant outside garden space, red carpet entrance, private bar, stage and dance floor with glistening chandeliers can play host for up to 300 guests – the dream venue for grand celebrations. For smaller gatherings our Hamilton Suite with its views over the lake and parklands can host up to 150 guests, and the Park View

Suite situated within the Hotel, with its floor to ceiling windows overlooking the acres of parklands, up to 120 guests.

With over 280 acres of grounds we can offer you a unique opportunity to have photographs taken within the park whether it be by the picturesque lake or on the carousel.

Relaxed, happy yet utterly exhausted at the end of your special day, you could retire in our spacious Presidential rooms or one of our unique contemporary deluxe rooms.

At Drayton Manor Park & Hotel it's your wedding, your way.



# Wedding TIMELINE

## 12-18 MONTHS BEFORE THE BIG DAY

- Set the date for your wedding
- Set your budget and decide who is organising each aspect
- Identify the type of venue for the ceremony & reception and contact the Wedding Co-ordinator
- Book wedding photographer
- Book wedding cars & other transport
- Book band or DJ for reception
- Order invitations & stationery
- Decide on Bridesmaids, Best Man & Ushers
- Order wedding cake
- Decide on the number of guests & start drawing up a guest list
- Investigate wedding insurance
- Reserve a block of rooms at the hotel for out-of-town guests

## 6 MONTHS BEFORE THE BIG DAY

- Register for your wedding gift list
- Choose wedding dress & accessories
- Choose Bridesmaid dresses
- Book your honeymoon & remember to check with your travel clinic about vaccinations
- Decide on theme and select flowers, table decorations etc
- Bridegroom to arrange suits for Best Man, Ushers & Fathers
- Get in shape – ask your Wedding Co-ordinator about our Health & Fitness Club's special Bride and Groom offers
- Organise the hen night and stag night

## 4 MONTHS BEFORE THE BIG DAY

- Post wedding invitations with details of timings, transport, directions & details of the hotel
- Select wedding rings
- Finalise order of service and select musichymns
- Contact your wedding suppliers e.g. florist, entertainment etc to confirm details
- If you are changing your name, inform banks, passport office etc (ensure your honeymoon is booked under the name that will be on your passport)

## 6-8 WEEKS BEFORE THE BIG DAY

- Confirm any travel arrangements & hotel reservations
- Organise presents for Bridesmaids and Mothers of the Bride & Bridegroom
- Choose wedding favours for the reception
- Make hairdresser & beauty salon appointments - ask your Wedding Co-ordinator about what we can organise for you
- Meet with your Wedding Co-ordinator to discuss seating plans, place cards, drinks packages and have your menu tasting

## 3 WEEKS BEFORE THE BIG DAY

- Confirm final number of guests & seating plan with your Wedding Co-ordinator
- Arrange wedding rehearsal
- Give florist total number of button holes and delivery details
- Confirm timings with wedding cars & transport operators
- Discuss with your photographer the photos you would like
- Give the DJ/band a list of songs you would like played
- Final fittings for wedding dress
- Ensure Bridegroom, Best Man & Father of the Bride are writing speeches
- Bridegrooms to arrange a gift to be delivered to the Bride before the ceremony
- Remind the Bridegroom to get a hair cut!
- Collect wedding rings and ensure they fit

## 1 WEEK BEFORE THE BIG DAY

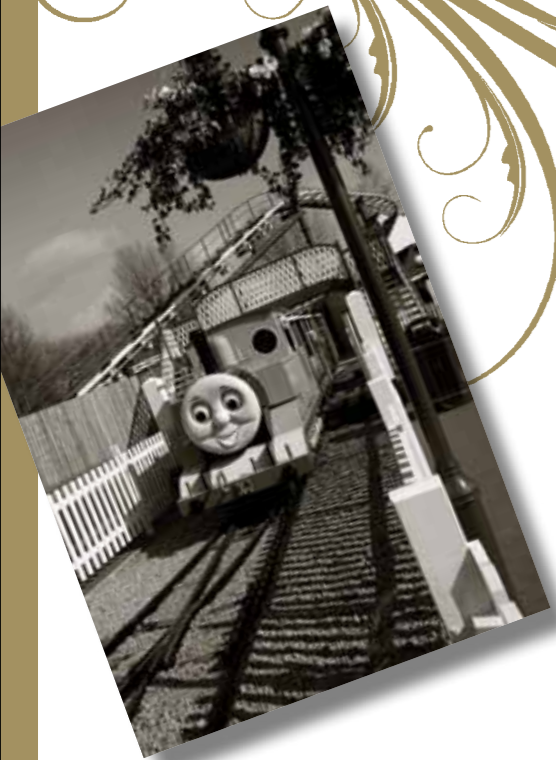
- Have trial hair and make up session – ask your Wedding Co-ordinator what we can organise for you
- Meet with Best Man, Bridesmaids and Ushers to finalise wedding day plans
- Confirm arrangements with photographers, transport operators, florists etc
- Wear in the wedding day shoes at home!
- Collect wedding dress, veil & accessories
- Pack for honeymoon and ensure tickets have arrived



## *The big day itself*

ENJOY EVERY MOMENT OF YOUR BIG DAY AND LET YOUR WEDDING CO-ORDINATOR ENSURE EVERYTHING RUNS LIKE CLOCKWORK





## *Relax* & HAVE FUN

Situated just 250m from Drayton Manor Hotel and home to over 100 sensational rides and attractions with some of the biggest wettest and scariest rides around including Shockwave – Europe's first stand up roller coaster, Stormforce 10 – with a backwards water drop and Apocalypse – voted scariest ride in the UK by Channel 4's the Gadget show as well as Ben 10 Ultimate Mission ride and of course the UK's only Thomas Land.

The park offers an abundance of rides to suite all ages including a 4D Cinema and even a Zoo.

Your wedding co-ordinator will be pleased to arrange tickets at a preferential rate for your guests for the day following your wedding

What better way to extend your celebrations further than a family visit the day after your Wedding to Drayton Manor

Theme Park?





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