



CROWN LODGE

KENT

YOUR CEREMONY GUIDE



Ceremony Locations

At Crown Lodge, we offer two stunning and distinct ceremony spaces, each with its own charm:

Woodland Gazebo

Our gazebo nestled in the woodland is an idyllic spot. Seating up to 90 guests on permanent benches, complete with sheepskin throws for added warmth, it offers a serene and romantic setting.

The Lodge

For an indoor ceremony a warm space awaits offering ceiling to floor windows bringing in the natural light overlooking a wild meadow.

Both are included in your venue hire, and our experienced team will help you choose the perfect setting for your special day. Your ceremony is one of the most meaningful moments, and we're committed to ensuring it runs smoothly with care and attention to detail.





Ceremony Options at Crown Lodge

Legal Civil Ceremonies

We are fully licensed to host legal civil ceremonies in both locations. These are non-religious ceremonies and are conducted and registered by registrars provided by the Kentish Ceremony Team. These ceremonies are available for both mixed and same sex couples. Once your booking and date are confirmed, we will arrange your legal ceremony then the ceremonies team will be in touch to guide you through the process.

Celebrant Ceremonies

Celebrant-led ceremonies are ideal for couples who've already had a legal marriage abroad, at a registry office, or are renewing their vows. These ceremonies are not legally binding but are deeply personal and tailored to you—incorporating your words, music, and style. We'll provide a list of trusted local celebrants to help you get started.

Renewals & Blessings

Whether led by a family member, friend, or local minister, blessings and vow renewals are joyful, heartfelt occasions. These are not legal ceremonies, but they offer a beautiful way to celebrate love. You or your chosen officiant will prepare the script and structure of the ceremony.

LGBTQ+ Ceremonies

Love comes in many forms, and we're honoured to have hosted countless beautiful and diverse same-sex weddings. We'll help you personalise every detail—from your aisle entrance to music and seating—so your ceremony reflects who you are as a couple.





Religious Ceremonies/Church Ceremonies (Off-site)

If you choose to marry in a local parish or place of worship, we're happy to support you. You'll need to contact your chosen church directly to arrange the ceremony. We'll help you plan timings and travel logistics to ensure everything flows seamlessly.

Cultural Celebrations

We warmly welcome all cultural ceremonies and traditions—from Baptist and Jehovah's Witness to Hindu and Chinese celebrations. Whether you're combining a legal ceremony with a cultural one or planning a full day of festivities, we'll help you build a schedule that honours your heritage and vision.



Things to know

Weather

If your ceremony is planned outdoors and the weather turns uncertain, we'll have an indoor space ready. The final decision is made approximately one hour before the ceremony, based on conditions and in consultation with the registrars—who arrive on-site one hour prior.

Music during your ceremony

You're welcome to choose from our list of recommended live performers or bring in your own. Many couples opt for recorded music, and we provide Bluetooth speakers for outdoor ceremonies. For legal civil ceremonies, we'll send you guidance on music timing and requirements.

Seating

Our Woodland Gazebo has Benches that are permanent. Fur rugs are placed on the benches for extra comfort. In the Lodge we will set out the right number of chairs for your family and friends, you may want to reserve some seats for close family and friends.

Decoration

While our ceremony spaces are naturally beautiful, you're welcome to add your own decorative touches or hire a florist/stylist. We'll advise you on what's possible and the best times for setup.



Ceremony Tips

Hot Weather

Consider providing handheld fans for guests

Rainy Weather

Extra umbrellas are a thoughtful touch if you're having a celebrant led ceremony

Guest Numbers

You can invite a smaller group to the ceremony and welcome additional guests afterwards

Live Streaming

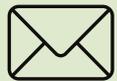
Yes, you're welcome to stream your ceremony for loved ones who can't attend in person



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