

# Wedding Brochure

We are Vicky & Jake Carpenter, owners and managers of Caer Llan, a relaxed and friendly country house wedding venue located near Monmouth in stunning countryside surroundings on the South Wales - England border.

Our beautiful venue is set in 25 acres of gardens, grounds and woodland within the Wye Valley AONB (Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty) and features far reaching uninterrupted views across the Vale of Usk to the distant Welsh mountains. The location provides the most spectacular backdrop for your photographer who will be spoilt for choice when it comes to picking the perfect setting.

The house itself has 16 guest bedrooms and has been lovingly refurbished so as to serve as a practical venue whilst preserving the warmth of a home away from home.

#### CAPACITIES ARE:

- 80 Day Guests
- 120 Evening Guests
- Up to 50 Residents

The exclusive use venue is yours and yours alone for the duration of your stay, with the option to include one or two nights' accommodation. (Our whole weekend package is a particular favourite with arrival on Friday from 4pm through to Sunday 11am). The spaces at Caer Llan are very versatile and we have created both indoor and outdoor ceremony and reception locations for you to choose from on the day. Both options offer the most spectacular views imaginable.

We are on hand from your initial enquiry, and will assist with your planning to ensure that the run up to your wedding is fun and exciting and your wedding day runs exactly the way you want it. We will also lead the hospitality team on the day, to ensure that all the hard work that went into planning your big day is realised.

Caer Llan is a wonderfully homely venue brimming with heart and soul, we invite you to come and see for yourselves, we would love to show you around.

## The Finances

We believe strongly in honest, transparent pricing. Each element has been carefully calculated by ourselves to make prices as affordable as possible for you and your guests, whilst remaining financially viable for the venue. We also want to keep it straightforward to understand the costs right from the outset, and of course we guarantee no hidden extras along the way. All prices include VAT.

#### YOUR OVERALL PRICE CONSISTS OF 4 ELEMENTS:

- The hire of the venue for your wedding day.
- The wedding bundle multiplied by number of guests.
- Any optional extras as chosen by yourselves.
- · Accommodation if required.

Please get in touch if you would like us to send you the costings in the form of a quotation calculator.



## The Venue Hire includes:

- Private use of Caer Llan, its facilities and grounds for the duration of your stay.
- No extra venue hire charge for additional days (accommodation rates apply).
- Wedding and event planning service with ourselves and our bespoke IT planning solutions from the outset.
- Dedicated wedding coordinator and service team for the duration of your stay.
- Indoor or outdoor ceremonies all year round.
- Stretch tent canopy between May and September for al fresco dining.
- All setups and take downs for ceremony, wedding breakfast and evening party.
- Choice of our clothed tables (round or long) or rustic long oak tables.
- Choice of Chiavari or conference chairs.
- White linen clothes, linen napkins, cutlery, glassware, table number holders.
- Use of our garden games (table tennis, giant Connect 4, giant Jenga, croquet).
- 2 white easels for table plan and welcome sign.
- Microphone & PA system for speeches.
- Cake knife & stand.
- Cake cutting and presentation on oak boards for your guests to enjoy.
- Use of PA system (connect by Bluetooth) and party lighting.
- Late night bar.
- Free parking for up to 45 vehicles.

TUESDAY
THURSDAY
SATURDAY

2026				
OFF-PEAK (Oct-April)	PEAK (May - Sept)			
£ 4,000	£ 6,000			
£ 5,000	£ 7,000			
£ 7,000	£ 9,000			

## The Wedding Bundle

#### FOOD AND DRINK

#### Reception drink

A refreshing glass of Prosecco, Pimm's or bottled beer alternative served to your guests by our Caer Llan team post ceremony. Top ups available as extra and upgrade to Champagne if you wish. Non-alcoholic alternatives and juice cartons for children.

#### **Wedding Breakfast**

Freshly prepared on site by our head chef and served by our Caer Llan team. Choose from our 3 course table served menu, 2 course sumptuous buffet or wonderfully traditional vintage afternoon tea.

### 1/3rd bottle wine per adult.

Top ups available as extra or upgrade to any of our other wines.

#### Toast drink

A glass of Prosecco per adult. Sparkling elderflower in champagne flutes served as non-alcoholic alternative.

### **Evening food**

Prepared by our chef and served by our team – choose between our grazing table or any of our street food options, alternatively upgrade to our Barbeque or Hog Roast.

## £100 per person

Under 12's £40, babies under 3's free of charge (although they count within capacities).

## THE OPTIONAL EXTRAS

Chair decoration	from £3.50 pp
Additional evening guests	£25.00 pp
Canapés	£10.00 pp
Crisps & nibbles	£2.50 pp
A tower of chocolate dipped strawberries	£3.00 pp
Reception/ toast drinks upgrade to Champagne	£3.00 pp
Evening food upgrade to BBQ	£5.00 pp
Hog Roast	£7.50 pp
Late night cheeseboard	£5.00 pp





## The Accommodation

Caer Llan offers 15 ensuite rooms in addition to the bridal suite, which are available for your guests.

These consist of 3 double rooms, 1 single room, and 11 family rooms, which can be arranged as twins or doubles, with additional beds if needed (up to 4 people per room), accommodating up to 50 guests in total. We request that your guests book their rooms through you so that you can assign them accordingly. We are happy to collect payment from your guests at the end of their stay.

#### ROOM RATES AND INCLUSIONS:

- The room rate is £150 per night for a double or family room (£100 per night for the single room).
- A full cooked breakfast is included each morning for all residents.
- For a 2-night stay, a welcome buffet or BBQ is included on the night before the wedding.
- Non-resident guests may attend this meal for an additional £20 per person.
- The accommodation option requires a minimum booking of 10 guest rooms per night.
- If all 15 guest rooms are booked, the bridal suite is included at no extra charge. If fewer rooms are booked, the bridal suite is available at the same rate of £150 per night.



## ACCOMMODATION CHECK-IN/CHECK-OUT:

- For the 2-night option, check-in is from 4pm the day before the wedding.
- Otherwise, check-in is from 10am on the wedding day.
- Check-out is by 11am the morning after the wedding.
- If accommodation is not booked, the venue closes at 1am after the wedding.

**Accessibility:** The property includes 7 ground-floor bedrooms in our berm house annex, one of which has a wheelchair-accessible en-suite wet room. The parking bays directly outside the main house provide level access to the ground floor function areas and outdoor patios for wheelchairs and mobility scooters. A disabled toilet facility is available in the ground-floor washroom complex of the main house.

## Order of Events

This is a sample schedule of how your day might look.

17:00 19:00 20:00 20:10 12:30 13:00 15:00

















21:00



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Ceremony

**Drinks** £ Canapes

Wedding **Breakfast** 

**Speeches** £ Toasts

Evening Guest Arrival

cutting of the cake

Formal First Dance Reception Carriages Evening Food





## The Ceremony

With capacity for up to 80 daytime guests, Caer Llan is licensed to hold marriages and civil partnerships with beautiful indoor and outdoor options, both offer a stunning scenic backdrop whilst you exchange your vows. No need to worry about the weather, you can decide on the day which option to choose.







# Wedding Dining

Our in-house catering team, headed up by our wonderful head chef, will prepare your wedding feast. We have indoor and out door dining options that y ou can choose on the day depending on the weather, and varied table plans to suit the size of your party.







# The Evening Party

The evening starts with welcoming your evening guests. Cake cutting is a nice way to get your party started with first dance followed by your chosen evening entertainment.





## Christmas Weddings

A Christmas wedding at Caer Llan can combine the magic of the holiday season with the beauty of this unique house, creating unforgettable memories for you and your guests.

We provide various catering options that can include seasonal dishes, perfect for a festive wedding feast. In addition, the venue has warm inviting spaces that are beautifully decorated for the holiday season, creating a magical ambiance, which along with the picturesque views of the surrounding countryside provide a perfect backdrop for festive photography.



# CAER LLAN Food & Drink

Here at Caer Llan we pride ourselves on offering a fantastic in-house hospitality service, so there's no need to deal with independent external caterers or bar providers. Along with our wonderful team we will be on hand to oversee your entire day: You will be in safe hands!

Our head chef leads the service team, delivering amazing dishes to you and your guests using carefully sourced, fresh ingredients from our band of trusted suppliers. As a border town we take advantage of the incredible local food produce available from Monmouthshire, Herefordshire and Gloucestershire.

We take great pride in the feedback that we receive from all our guests regarding the service, quality and presentation of our food and our flexibility to cater for everyone.

## THE FOOD & DRINKS INCLUDED IN THE WEDDING BUNDLE:

- Reception drink
- Wedding breakfast
- Wine on the tables
- Toast drinks
- · Evening reception food

There are a few optional extras you can add such as, canapes, upgrades on drinks and upgrades on evening food.

#### WEDDING BREAKFAST

For your wedding breakfast itself, we offer three different dining styles for you to choose from:

- Traditional 3 course table served meal.
- Our own Caer Llan Buffet + Dessert
- · Our quirky afternoon Vintage Tea

In all cases, we will set the room up for your meal using your centrepieces, place cards and favours and then we provide the rest (tablecloths, napkins, glassware, cutlery, tables & chairs).



## Reception Drinks

As part of the wedding bundle, you can choose from sparkling wine, Prosecco or Pimms.

You can if you wish split the drinks with bottled beer as an option. Choose from Corona with lime, Birra Moretti or Peroni at no additional cost. There are fruit juice cartons for the little ones and sparkling elderflower for those not wanting alcohol. Champagne is available as an upgrade.

## Canapés

## Please choose 4 canapés to be circulated amongst your guests

Mini Yorkshire puddings with roast beef &		Welsh brie & leek tartlets	V
red onion jam		Glazed prawn & chorizo sticks	
Smoked salmon pâté on toasted sourdough		Smoked salmon blinis with dill	
Baby mozzarella & basil sticks with cherry tomatoes	V	Halloumi bites with chilli & ginger	V
Maple glazed sticky sausag	es	Sicilian arancini balls	V
Pea and pecorino bruschetta	V	Whipped blue cheese & pear crostini	V
Chicken, chorizo & apricot sticks		Mini scones with clotted cream & strawberries	V
Apricot & Perl Las tartlets	V	Mini Welsh cakes	V
Fig & prosciutto crostini			

## VEGAN CANAPÉ SELECTION

Mexican Nacho with guacamole, chilli & coriander

Middle Eastern Flatbread with caramelised red onion & hummus

Baked crostini with parsley pesto & roasted peppers

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Vegan sticky sausage with chilli, maple & ginger

## Starters

Please choose 2 starters to be pre-ordered by your guests, starters listed as vegetarian can be adapted for vegans.

Beetroot and Maple Salmon Homemade beetroot and maple cured salmon with dill and black pepper cream cheese, served on toasted sourdough	Smoked Salmon Terrine Smoked salmon and asparagus terrine, served with rustic bread and edible flowers
Antipasti A selection of cured meats, artichokes, mixed olives, sundried tomatoes, and garlic crostini	Thai Fishcake Homemade Thai style fishcake made with salmon and crab. Served with chilli mayonnaise and dressed leaves
Caesar Salad Crisp lettuce, chicken, bacon, garlic croutons and homemade Caesar dressing	Soup Homemade soup in a flavour of your choice, served with rustic farmhouse bread and butter
Arancini Garlic and parmesan arancini, served with saffron aioli, dressed leaves and	Caerphilly Cheese Tatin Caramelised red onion and Caerphilly cheese tart tatin
parmesan shavings	Mediterranean
Caprese Salad Creamy buffalo mozzarella with heirloom cherry tomatoes and homemade basil pesto	Caesar Salad Caesar style salad with sundried tomatoes and olives, garlic croutons, and vegan caesar dressing
Perl Las Tart A rich and creamy blue cheese tart served with balsamic glaze and fresh tomatoes	Potato Bhajis Handmade potato bhajis, served dressed leaves, mango chutney and vegan raita

## Main Dishes

Please choose 2 mains to be pre-ordered by your guests, one choice to be vegetarian or vegan. All dishes served with seasonal vegetables

Butter Roasted Chicken Skin on butter roasted chicken breast with cranberry and sausage stuffing served with roast potatoes	Chicken Milanese Crispy breaded lemon and pepper chicken escalope, served with parmesan pots
Roast Beef Slow roasted Welsh topside of beef with Yorkshire pudding served with roast potatoes	Rack of Pork Spiced and honey glazed rack of pork, served with fondant potato, sage and onion cider jus
Roast Pork Welsh pork belly rolled with garlic and herbs, crispy crackling, sage stuffing served with roast potatoes	Bangers and Mash Slow roasted Welsh sausages served with creamed potatoes, sweet and sticky onion gravy
Pancetta Chicken Roasted chicken breast wrapped in pancetta, served with sautéed potatoes, mushrooms, red wine and shallot sauce	Chipotle Chilli Haddock Baked chipotle chilli haddock fillet, served with onion and red pepper relish, mini roast potatoes
Marry Me Chicken Roasted chicken and sundried tomatoes in garlic and parmesan sauce, served with confit potatoes	Champagne Salmon Grilled salmon fillet served with herb roasted new potatoes, champagne beurre blanc sauce
Beetroot Wellington  Beetroot and spinach Wellington, served with sweet potato puree and sweet onion gravy	Vegetable Stack Pressed and baked summer vegetable stack with fresh tomato and basil sauce
Savoury Crumble Roasted seasonal vegetables in a vegan cream sauce, topped with garlic and herbs savoury crumble	Baked Vegetable Tart V VE Baked root vegetable puff pastry tart, served with cauliflower puree and grain mustard sauce



Please choose 2 desserts to be pre-ordered by your guests. Vegans can choose from either of the 2 desserts you have chosen and we can prepare a suitable version.

Lemon Tart Glazed lemon and elderflower tart with clotted cream & fresh raspberries	Chocolate Brownies Chocolate brownies with rich chocolate sauce & vanilla ice cream
Salted Caramel Torte Salted caramel chocolate torte with caramel sauce & whipped creme fraiche	Profiterole Giant chocolate profiterole with Chantilly cream and milk chocolate sauce
Crème Brûlée Milk chocolate & banana crème brûlée with chocolate tuille biscuit	Chocolate and Raspberry Torte Milk chocolate and raspberry torte with whipped cream & frozen
G&T Cheesecake Rockfield gin and tonic cheesecake with lemon & blueberry purée	Sticky Toffee Pudding Sticky toffee pudding with rich toffee sauce & crème Anglaise
Vanilla Cheesecake Baked vanilla cheesecake	Toffee souce & Cleffie Aligidise

## Kids Menu

with fruit compôte

#### **Starters**

- Cheesy garlic bread
- Dough balls with tomato dip
- Rainbow sticks with hummus

#### Mains

- Fish strips, fries & peas
- Chicken tenders, fries & beans
- Tomato penne pasta

#### **Desserts**

- Fruit and marshmallow kebabs with chocolate dipping sauce
- Strawberry/ chocolate ice-cream sundae
- Chocolate brownie with chocolate sauce

## Caer Llan Buffet

We invite you table by table to choose your favourites from our sumptuous buffet offering.

We ensure the food will not run out with our team on hand to help serve and replenish as you fill your plates. We encourage guests to come and help themselves to second helpings, thirds, fourths...before we clear your plates and table serve dessert (pick two from the desserts page).

- Honey glazed ham
- Slow roasted peppered side of beef
- Maple roasted sides of salmon
- Garlic and rosemary chicken drumsticks
- Parmesan new potatoes
- · King prawn salad
- · Caramelised onion and cheddar quiche
- Roasted vegetable cous-cous
- Spicy bean fried rice
- Devilled eggs
- Caprese tomato and mozzarella salad
- Garden salad
- Selection of artisan bread and butter



All of your tea party food will be on the tables along with our own vintage crockery, before your guests are invited to take their seats.

Our team will be on hand throughout the party, ensuring that the food platters and tea pots are replenished as required.

### A mix of sandwiches served on granary & white bread

- Cheddar and cream cheese
- Smoked salmon with lemon crème fraîche
- Free range egg and cress
- Honey baked ham

### Homemade savoury bites

- Scotch eggs
- Sausage and vegetarian sausage rolls
- Cheese quiche

#### Homemade cakes & dainties

- Victoria sponge cake
- Mini chocolate profiteroles
- Scones with strawberry jam and clotted cream
- Chocolate dipped strawberries
- Meringue kisses
- Chocolate brownies

# Evening Party Food

Please choose one of the options below for your guests to enjoy, these will be served on environmentally friendly disposable plates.

Grazing Table Selection of artisan cheese, Mediterranean charcuterie, spicy chicken wings, olives, crisps, crudites, fruit. Fresh bread, butter, crackers & grissini	Persian Street Food Chicken shish kebabs, vegetable shish kebabs, Arabic flatbreads, pickled red cabbage, mint yoghurt, fresh chopped chillies & hummus
Indian Street Food Tandoori chicken skewers, paneer and vegetable skewers, tikka masala sauce, steamed rice, naan breads, poppadom's, mango chutney, raita, fresh chopped chilli & coriander	BBQ upgrade applies Beef burgers/ plant burgers, sausages/ plant sausages, spicy chicken wings/ roasted vegetables. Fresh bread rolls, fried onions, roasted new potatoes, garden salad & coleslaw
Mexican Street Food Hard and soft shell tacos, birria pulled pork, smoky bean chilli, nachos, guacamole, salsa, chipotle sour cream, fresh chopped chilli & coriander	Hog Roast upgrade applies Whole spit roasted succulent pig. Crispy crackling, homemade stuffing, soft floured baps, spicy potato wedges, apple sauce and fresh garden salad





There is a free of charge self-service tea and coffee station next to the bar that will be available for the duration of your stay.

We also have a very reasonably priced fully licenced bar, opening times will be agreed with you during the planning process for your event. The bar is well stocked so we won't run out of popular drinks. We match prices to local pubs so great products without a sting in the tail! We also pride ourselves on fast and efficient service at the bar, so no queuing... we stock a wide range of non-alcoholic drinks for those who prefer.

Below is an example of some of our bar prices (as of January 2025). These are subject to change however, with nominal price increases that reflect inflation and future UK government budget announcements.

DRAUGHT BEER		BOTTLED BEER	
Estrella	5.40	Peroni	4.00
San Miguel	5.00	Corona	4.00
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Guinness Draught	5.60	Birra Moretti	4.00
Stowford Press	4.80	Kopparberg/Crabbies	5.60
Wye Valley Bitter	4.80		
WHITE WINE - 175	5 M L	RED WINE - 175M	L
House - Sauvignon	5.25	House - Shiraz	5.25
Chardonnay	5.50	Malbec	6.25
Pinot Grigio	5.50	Merlot	6.75
Chenin Blanc	5.75	Rioja	7.25
Malborough SB	7.95		
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SPARKLING WINE		SPIRITS - 25ML	
Cava - bottle	25.50	House spirits	3.40
Prosecco - bottle	27.95	Bombay Sapphire	4.60
Prosecco - by the glass	5.95	Kraken Rum	3.80
Champagne - bottle	44.95	Jack Daniels	4.20
1 - 3		Hendrix Gin	5.00

## Buffet Breakfast

Breakfast is out for an hour, all timings are pre-arranged during your planning meeting.

- Tea & coffee self-service station
- Fruit Juices
- Selection of breakfast cereals
- Selection of pastries & freshly baked croissants
- · Yoghurt and fresh fruit
- · White and brown toast, jam and marmalade
- Full cooked breakfast:

   Fried free range eggs
   Locally sourced bacon and sausages
   Pan-fried mushrooms
   Heinz baked beans
   Hash browns

## Welcome Buffet

For weddings with a 2 night stay we offer this welcome buffet for the first night of your stay. It is beautifully presented on oak boards and Welsh slate with wholesome, hearty and very tasty dishes.

With your guests perhaps travelling after work, or long distances this is a practical solution for your group as the buffet can be left out for a while and guests can help themselves. We can then plate up for any very late arrivals.

- Home baked glazed ham
- Beautiful large cheese boards
- Homemade sausage rolls
- Potato salad
- Coleslaw
- Boiled eggs halved
- Pickled beetroot
- Silverskin baby onions
- A selection of pickle and chutney
- · Crusty bread and butter



We recognise the trust you place in us when y ou book your big day here. It is a day you will look f orward to with huge anticipation and excitement and we will never take that lightly.

We are not a wedding factory by any means and so we are here to offer help, guidance, and reassuring advice right from the word go and throughout the planning stages of your wedding.

As part of this service we have various online planning tools that we have created which we make available to you.

We'd love to meet you to talk about your big day here at Caer Llan.

Wicky & Jake



