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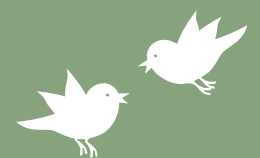
Does spending a lot of hard-earned money on
one day's celebration feel too much?

Do you dream of eloping with your fiancé somewhere
luxurious that's exclusively yours?

Are you looking for something more special than
just the two of you at the local Registry Office?

If so, then eloping Ever After style could be just what you're looking for.

*We've put together everything you could want
for the perfect elopement wedding.*



WHEN?

A wedding ceremony at midday on Tuesdays and Thursdays
in March, April and May and then September, October,
November & December.

** We're closed in June, July & August — and also January & February.*

For June 2024
we've opened 4
dates for a
summer
elopement.



WHERE?

You've got a choice of ceremony places.

Say your 'I Do's' in front of the log fire under the glass roof of our sunken terrace, or in the open sided wedding barn or (in November, December & March only) in the Garden Room of the main house.

They're all licensed by Devon County Council for legal weddings and ceremonies

From April 2023 you can also get legally married in the garden. That's an option for April, May, September and October, subject to the weather - yep, we always have a weather Plan B.



WITH THE PEOPLE YOU LOVE

It can be just the two of you (we supply two witnesses no charge, we love doing it) or you can invite guests for an additional charge per guest.

In the warmer months (April, May, September & October) you can have up to 10 guests (plus the two of you).

In the colder months (March, November & December) guest numbers are strictly limited to 6 (plus the two of you) as that's the maximum number of seats round the fire in the evening — we want you to be cosy!





THE CEREMONY



CEREMONY TIMINGS

Our elopement ceremonies are always held at the same time — midday on a Tuesday or a Thursday.

If you're exchanging wedding rings and you're having standard vows, a ceremony usually lasts about 20 mins.

You can write your own vows if you like, they're in addition to the legal vows you have to make so the whole thing is legal.

CEREMONY LOCATION

We'll set up the ceremony space for you with seating for your guests and a table and chairs for the Registrars.

Don't forget you've got a choice of ceremony location - the wedding barn all year round, the garden in the warmer months & the terrace or the main house in the colder months.

Check out the real elopements wedding gallery on our website to see how the ceremony space can be set up. The Ever After styling ninjas will sort that for you.





FLOWERS

We all know how important flowers are for weddings and with the Ever After elopement package, we include flowers – yay! You get a bouquet and buttonhole (or 2 bouquets or 2 buttonholes – your choice.)

The only thing you have to do is let our fabulous florists know which colours and style you'd like (Pinterest is your friend here) or pop onto the real elopements page on our website and pick out some you like from there.

Our florists specialise in creating wedding flowers in harmony with the season so once you've picked your colours and your style, you can leave everything else to them and they'll produce the floral beauty for your day.

After your ceremony we'll use the bouquet for your table centrepiece.

You're welcome to order extra flowers from the florists, cake or hair flowers, maybe a flower arch, bridesmaids bouquets, extra buttonholes, thank you bouquets – they'll give you all the pricing deets. You order and pay for any extras direct with the florist.









FOOD & DRINK

You can design your menu with our chefs.*
Champagne & canapés for a mini drinks
reception followed by a 3 course wedding
breakfast cooked for you on site.

We'll provide ½ bottle of champagne per
person.

You bring the rest of the drinks, we don't
charge corkage. We'll chill them down for
you and provide all the glasses you need and
ice.

**Just so you know, there's no free tasting in advance.
Subject to dietary requirements, the same menu will be
served for all guests.*



WEDDING CAKE

Our specialist elopement wedding cake maker will make a mini wedding cake just for you — even if it's just the two of you.

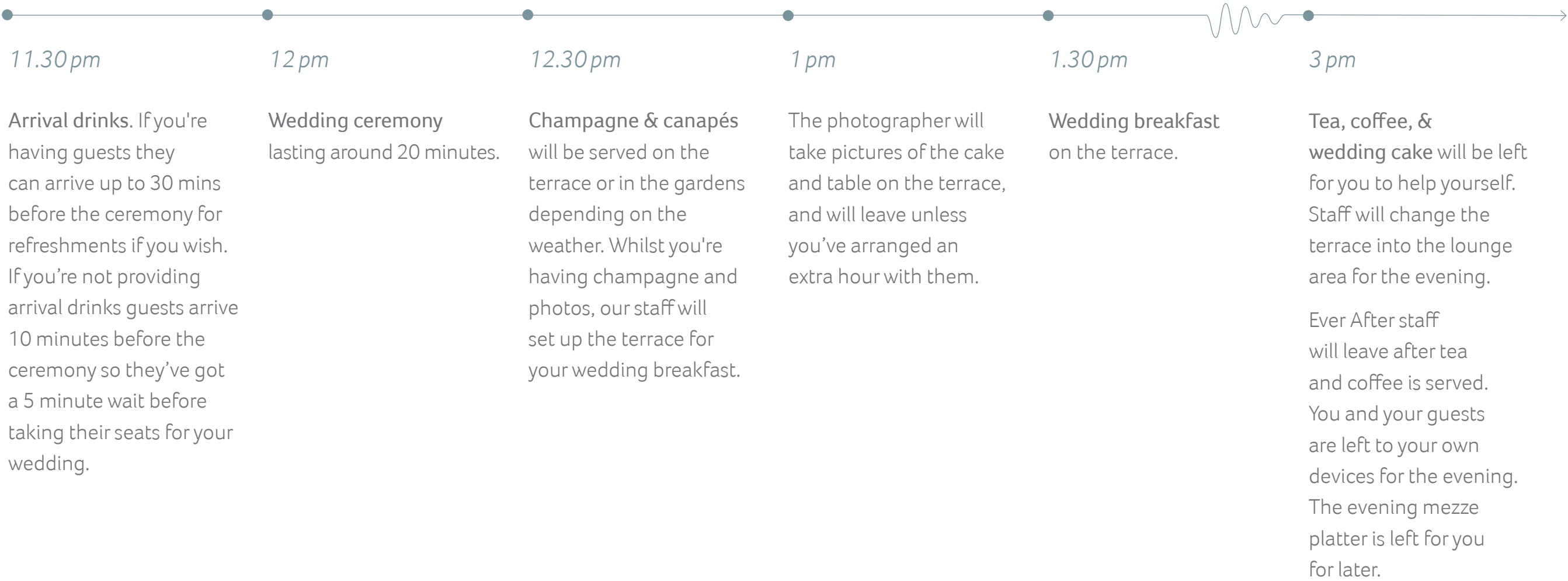
Choose the flavour, the filling and the decoration; the florist can supply fresh flowers to decorate for a small extra charge.





ON THE DAY — *how does it work?*

Your wedding day timeline is usually as follows for a midday wedding:

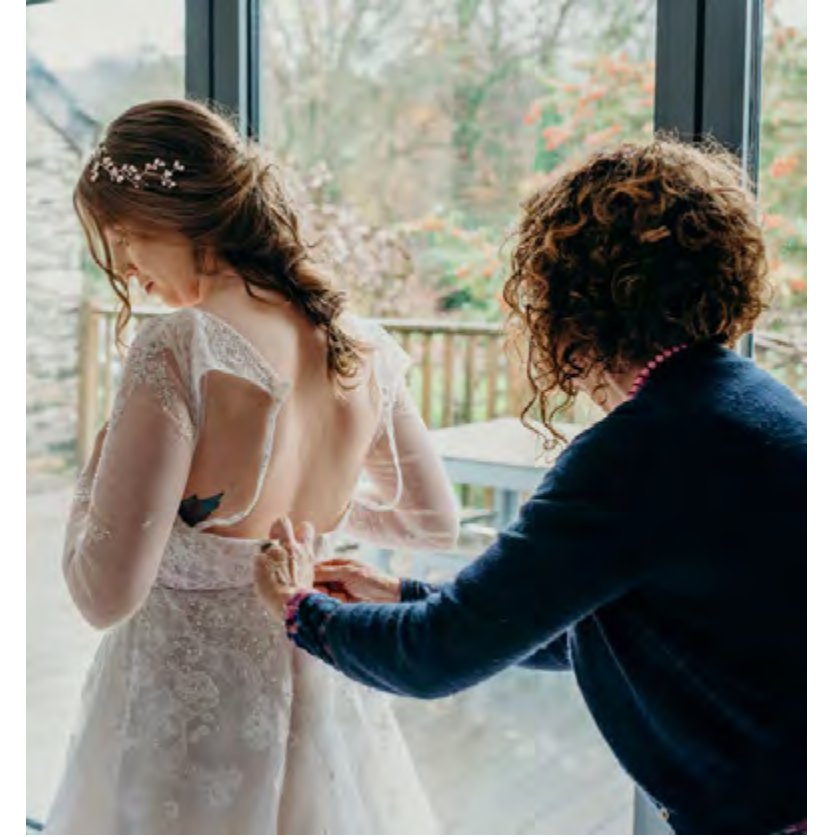


* The timings can vary if you're having a wedding film as you'll need more time for filming.

GETTING READY

You can get ready together or seperately on the morning of the wedding — completely up to you.

We can help you with your dress if you're not getting ready together.



STAY THE NIGHT

Stay two nights in our luxurious 18th century stone honeymoon cottage with its vaulted living room, wood burner and sumptuous bathroom with two-person free-standing bath & walk-in shower.





EXTRA ACCOMMODATION ON SITE

We've got one additional double en-suite room in our self-contained annexe which is available for two guests at an additional cost of £190 plus VAT for 2 nights. Breakfast hamper included

There's also a shepherd's hut with en suite shower room and a tiny kitchen which is sometimes available at an additional cost of £300 (no VAT) for 2 nights. Breakfast ingredients included.

If you need more guest accommodation we can make local recommendations for you.



SEASONAL CHANGES

Early Spring *March to April*

With the promise of warmer weather approaching, spring bulbs are blooming. The daffodils are out and the camellias and early tulips are adding to the feel of spring on its way.

Early spring at Ever After is a beautiful time to elope. And with warmer temperatures, you could get married in the wedding barn and have champagne and canapes in the garden before heading into the terrace to eat.







Summer *May and September*

Having your elopement at Ever After in early or late summer means you get to enjoy our magical gardens.

You'll have full access to all the gardens the whole time you're here, there are no restricted areas so you can make the most of the beautiful surroundings. We have our own woods here so you can get some stunning photos in the woodland and along the river.



Autumn
October to Early November

Summer is leaving but winter hasn't yet arrived.

Copper tones on the trees amongst the last of the garden flowers, mini white pumpkins as decor, flickering tea-lights.

Go for yellows, oranges, deep reds, mixed with a touch of foliage... And perhaps a feather bolero for when the temperature drops. Or pick contrast colours to play against the autumn tones.

Sit by the fire with a basket of blankets in arms reach, and a glass of wine in hand, the place is yours for the evening.







Winter *November and December*

The magic starts to happen as Christmas draws closer.

Get married in front of the open fire under the glass roof or in the main house. We'll put sheepskin rugs on ceremony seating and provide hot water bottles.

In December there's always a Christmas tree (or two!) around to bring that Christmassy feel. We provide a roaring fire and heaters but you and your guests wrap up warm so you can get some great wedding photos outdoors in the gardens.

And as the night draws in, snuggle up together on the sofa in our cosy blankets in front of the fire.





PHOTOS IN THE WOODS

You're very welcome to have photos taken in our woods.*

You've probably seen plenty of super amazing woodland photos from previous weddings, there's a load on the real weddings gallery on the website.

** Bring wellies! There's a track to follow in the woods but you do have to cross a tiny stream immediately outside the back gate. It's only a couple of inches deep but you have to step into it — be prepared.*





WHAT'S INCLUDED?

We've thought of everything:

- 2 nights accommodation in the honeymoon cottage, exclusive use from 2pm on the day of arrival
- Use of the terrace and the wedding barn for your ceremony and wedding breakfast, full access to all the gardens
- Drinks reception with champagne (½ bottle per person) and hand-made canapés after the ceremony followed by a 3 course wedding lunch for you and any guests, served on the terrace
- Mezze platter for the evening
- All chairs, tables, table linen, crystal glassware, crockery & cutlery
- Décor items including large and small steel lanterns, festoon and fairy lights, chill out furniture, rugs, umbrellas, tea light holders and candles
- A photographer for an hour (or longer by arrangement)
- A fabulous bespoke wedding bouquet and buttonhole, from our local qualified florist
- A mini wedding cake made to order specially for you (and any guests)
- Breakfast ingredients in the fridge for you to prepare breakfast at your leisure
- Set up and styling of the venue for your wedding plus on the day wedding co-ordinator until 3pm
- Parking on site



OPTIONAL EXTRAS

- 🐦 Extra accommodation on site (see p.16)
- 🐦 Local professional hair and make up stylists who will come to the hair & make up station in the honeymoon cottage or you can bring your own people
- 🐦 Your pets can attend (free of charge) by prior arrangement
- 🐦 Mini film of your wedding
- 🐦 Additional hours photography can be arranged directly with our photographer
- 🐦 Additional flowers can be arranged directly with our florist



MUSIC



There's a music dock here so you're welcome to bring recorded music of your choice for your ceremony.

You can also bring music to play during your drinks reception. We're in the middle of nowhere so you can't stream any music - there's no wifi in the wedding barn or on the terrace, so it needs to be downloaded before you get here.

You're welcome to hire in live music for your ceremony and/or reception. We've had harpists, string quartets, guitar players, acoustic duos - take your pick.

So you can have music for your ceremony and reception, just like a big wedding.

DOGS



We love dogs! We welcome well behaved, friendly dogs here at Ever After so you're welcome to bring your dog(s) to share your wedding day.

‘Well behaved’ means they need to keep out of the ponds and not tear around the garden. If your dog doesn’t do well with strange people or dogs, we might have to say ‘sorry but no’ as we’ve got to be fair to our staff and our own dogs.

We can recommend local dog chaperone services if you'd like someone to look out for them on the day and even take them off to a doggy hotel for the night. We all love our dogs but not all of them make good wedding guests but they can still share part of your day if you like.





HOW MUCH?

The cost is really easy — one price for the two of you and an extra price per head for each guest.

2024 prices

The price for the two of you for 2025 is:

March, April, October, November and December dates:
£3,250 plus VAT (£3,900 incl. VAT)

May and September dates:
£3,750 plus VAT (£4,500 incl. VAT)

2025 prices

The price for the two of you for 2025 is:
March, April, October, November and December dates:
£3,575 plus VAT (£4,290 incl. VAT)

May and September dates:
£4,125 plus VAT (£4,950 incl. VAT)

The price includes exclusive use of the venue and grounds (you, your guests and our staff will be the only ones here), 2 nights accommodation for the two of you, the all important wedding ceremony (that's the whole point of this, right?), an hour's photography (250-300 photos perfectly capturing all your big moments), a gorgeous bridal bouquet and buttonhole, a drinks reception with champagne and canapés, a 3 course wedding breakfast, an evening mezze platter and a wedding cake.

GUEST PRICE

For every adult guest you add, the cost is £210 (including that pesky VAT) for champagne and canapés, 3 course wedding breakfast, evening mezze platter & wedding cake.

If you want guests for the ceremony and champagne & canapés only but not the rest of the day, the charge is £42 per person (incl. VAT)

There's no charge for children under 5 & the first 2 littles don't count towards your guest numbers. More than 2 under 5's count towards your guest numbers.

For all children 5-13 there's a 50% discount on the adult guest charge and for children over 13 there's a £10 discount as we don't serve them alcohol.

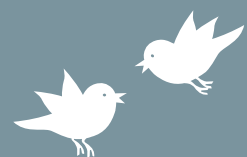
REGISTRARS FEES

The price doesn't include the Registrar's fees which you have to pay on top **directly to the Registrars.**

You'll need to book the Registrar for your wedding ceremony, we can't do that for you. You can reserve a date over the phone or online with Tavistock Registrars, the fee is currently £50 which guarantees your date. The two of you also need to go along to your local Registrars office in person together to provide proof of residence and ID. That can be done at any time in the 11 months before your wedding date and **MUST** be done at least 28 days before your wedding date.

We've got an information sheet on our website with the requirements of a civil service and the various fees involved which are payable directly to the Registrar's office.

Don't ring the Registrar to book your date til you've checked with us that we've got the date available. See our booking process below.



HOW TO BOOK

Once you've decided Ever After is definitely the place for you (good choice by the way) check what dates we've got available by going onto our availability calendar on our website.

Once you've found a date you like the look of, email us and we'll hold it for you for 7 days to give you time to book the Registrar, sign the terms and conditions and pay the deposit. You contact the Registrars, pay them £50 to book your date, sign the T&C's, pay us the deposit — and that's it, you're booked! You're getting married — yay!

Once your deposit is paid to us, we'll send you a link to our digital elopement manual which tells you everything you need to know about having your elopement wedding with us. Full of helpful tips and ideas, it lets you know what you need to do and when to have a great elopement wedding here.



PAYMENT TERMS



Paying the deposit confirms your date. We can't hold a date longer than 7 days unless you pay the deposit. But once the deposit is paid, you're all good. You're booked and ready to go.

We'll check your guest numbers 3 and a half months before your wedding date and send you an invoice for the balance (plus any extra on site accommodation) so you'll be fully paid up 3 months before your wedding date.

Any extras with our suppliers like an extra hour's photography, extra flowers, hair and make up or a wedding film is paid direct to the supplier by you.

Early payment and installment options are available at no extra cost if that helps.



*If this sounds like your kind of wedding,
just get in touch to find out if we've got a date
to suit you and we'll show you how easy it is
to get your elopement wedding all booked in.*

Contact us today by email at
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Photography: Clare Kinchin

Interior cottage shots by Marc Wilson

All shot on location at Ever After, Lower Grenofen



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