



The Purbeck House Hotel



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*for your
Wedding Day*

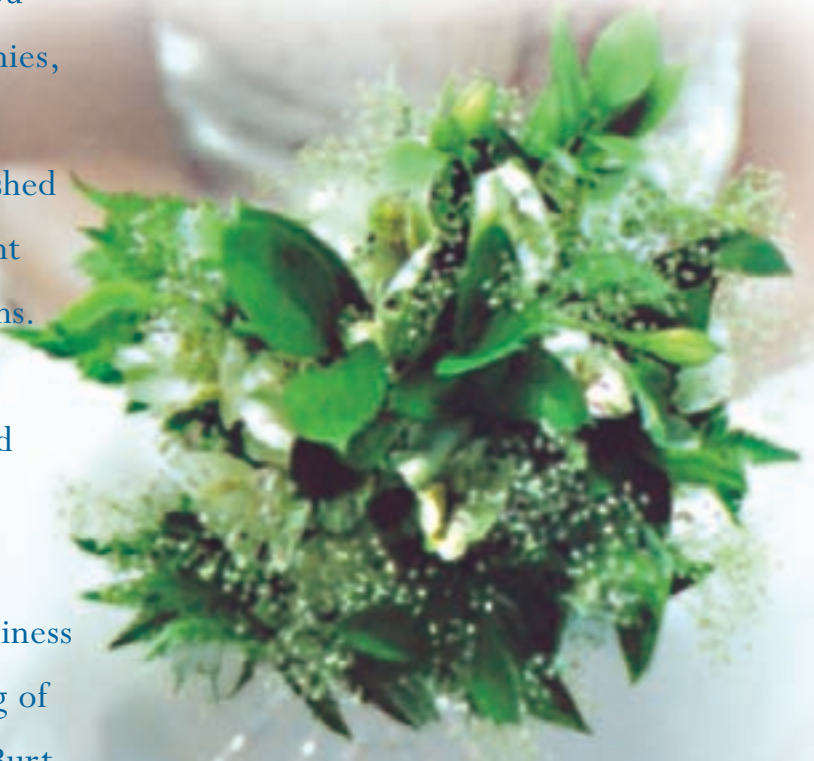
Welcome to the Purbeck House Hotel

We are pleased to offer you Civil Marriage Ceremonies, receptions and evening events. Our extensive gardens, established for over 100 years, provide an excellent backdrop for your wedding photographs.

Designed by Crickmay and constructed from 1875 onwards *The Purbeck House Hotel* is the realisation of Victorian ambition, enterprise and business acumen. Once referred to as "the King of Swanage", by Thomas Hardy, George Burt had this house built incorporating antiques and artifacts gathered from his construction works in London.

Witness to the passage of time. Walls and floors echo with history and more than a century of change yet, *The Purbeck House Hotel* embodies a true sense of tranquillity and warmth.

Why not take advantage of our unique and historic venue to marry all aspects of your special day together.



Introduction

The Purbeck House Hotel is a family run hotel whose staff are experienced in providing a friendly, personal approach to your enquiries and Wedding Day.

Formerly a convent, the hotel is set in tranquil grounds overlooking Swanage Bay, providing a beautiful backdrop for your photographs.

One of the first hotel premises in the Isle of Purbeck to hold a Civil Marriage Ceremony License.



Congratulations on your forthcoming Wedding

We are sure that you would wish your special day to be memorable and worry free. *The Purbeck House Hotel* is a family run Hotel, whose staff are experienced in providing just that, with a friendly personal approach to your enquiries and Wedding Day.

Should you decide to celebrate your Wedding reception with us, we would like to offer you the following items to enhance your day:-

- A complimentary room for the Bride and Groom, with champagne provided.
- 4 double rooms for your guests at a special rate.
(10% discount off of the room rate, on the first night of stay)
- A Wedding Co-ordinator & Toastmaster.
- A sumptuous selection of menus suitable for a sit down meal or buffet, together with a selection of buffet choices for the evening which may be adapted to suit your needs and dietary requirements.



For your Wedding Ceremony & Reception

We have three rooms which are specially licensed: the *Purbeck Room*, the *Garden Conservatory* and the *Thomas Hardy Room*.

The Purbeck Room, with its timber clad walls, was formally the Convent Chapel and provides a unique venue for your Civil Ceremony. The room can accommodate up to 98 guests (seated) for a marriage service.

The Thomas Hardy Room, with its painted ceiling and Carrera Marble Fireplaces can accommodate up to 15 guests (seated)

The Garden Conservatory, overlooking the Rose Garden can accommodate up to 100 guests (seated)



A Guide to the Civil Ceremony

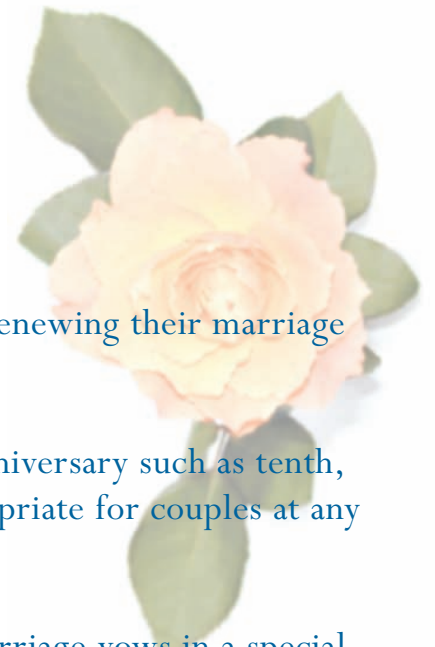
- If you choose to hold your Civil Ceremony at the hotel, you must contact the Superintendent Registrar at Weymouth. The presence of the Superintendent Registrar and a Registrar is required for your marriage to take place. A charge for the attendance of these officials is required to be paid to them as soon as possible after the notice of Marriage has been given.
- Notice of marriage has to be given to the Superintendent Registrar in the district where you live. It must be given in person and is valid for 12 months.
- If the Registration District is different from the one where the Marriage is taking place, the couples must obtain the authority before the ceremony and ensure that it is lodged with the Registrar who is attending the Wedding.
- The content of the Civil Ceremony must be agreed, in advance, with the Superintendent Registrar. Any music, poetry or reading etc. which forms part of the ceremony must be secular.
- For more information regarding a Civil Ceremony please contact the Registrar Office. The fees, set by the Dorset County Council, for Registration Officers to attend marriages are obtained from:-

Address:

Superintendent Registrar
Weymouth Registrar Office
The Guildhall, St Edmunds Street
Weymouth, Dorset DT4 8AS
Tel: **01305 760899**



Say 'I do'...



Renewal of Marriage Vows

This ceremony is for any married couple that wish to celebrate renewing their marriage vows in a unique and personal ceremony.

Often these ceremonies are associated with a special wedding anniversary such as tenth, twenty-fifth, fortieth etc. However the ceremony is just as appropriate for couples at any stage of marriage.

Many couples who get married abroad choose to renew their marriage vows in a special event held for family and friends on their return. A souvenir certificate is signed during the ceremony by the couple and two witnesses.

Commitment Ceremonies

A commitment ceremony is a meaningful and dignified ceremony for adult couples. The purpose of the ceremony is to make a public declaration of life-long commitment, love and dedication between two people.

Every commitment ceremony is unique, working within the ceremony framework, couples create their own unique celebration by selecting words, poems and readings that hold a special meaning to them.

Important Information

Neither the commitment ceremony or renewal of marriage vows, nor any document issued as part of the ceremony has any legal status and cannot be used to establish legal rights. These ceremonies are secular and do not contain religious references.

N.B. Please note that your marriage certificate will need to be shown before a renewal of vows ceremony can be booked.

