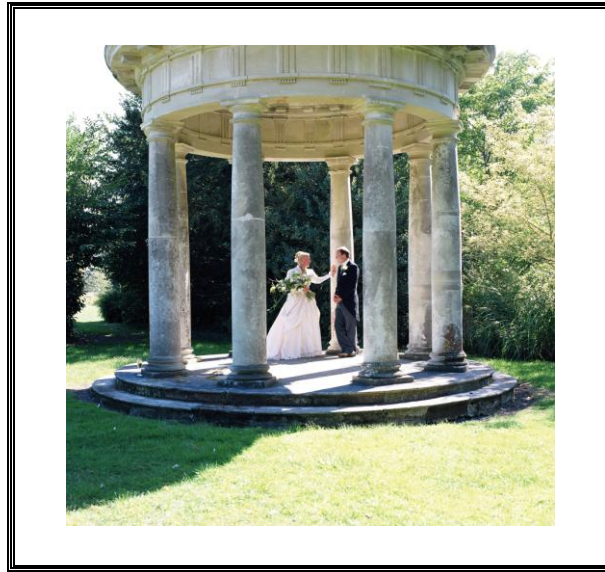




**BISHOPSTROW HOUSE
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Weddings and Commitment Ceremonies



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A Day Worth Remembering...



Beautiful wedding ceremonies, civil partnership ceremonies and wedding receptions come naturally to us here at Bishopstrow House. Whether your wedding is a small private affair or a large celebration with all your friends and family in attendance Bishopstrow House is the perfect location.

More suggestive of a lovely private house than a hotel, with fine paintings and antiques, subtle lighting, fresh flowers and the kind of individual ornaments that give real character, Bishopstrow House is the definitive wedding, wedding reception or honeymoon venue. The rooms are so elegant and the staff so attentive that the experience will remain with you and all your guests forever.

From any celebration Bishopstrow House will ensure that your wedding is a deeply personal affair shared with your closest family and friends.



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History is a romance that is believed...

Horace Walpole

The original manor of Bishopstrow was built in the late 18th century and was located on the opposite side of the main road to Warminster near the banks of the river Wylde. Its gardens were extensively landscaped and, along with the Doric temple built in 1770, included the summerhouse, boathouse and pump room.



In 1815 Squire William Temple built a tunnel under the main road to join the two areas of the grounds and in 1817, following a fire in the original house, a new house was begun on the present site. The house remained the property of the Temple until 1950 when it was sold to Keith Neal a leading collector of firearms. Each of his 2000 firearms was ready to fire at a moment's notice - usually at a target which stood on the lawn outside the drawing room! It was also during this time that the resident company of the horse Cavalry stationed at Warminster used Bishopstrow stables to house their horses.

In 1976 Kurt Schiller bought Bishopstrow and opened it in 1977 as a 10 room hotel. In the next 10 years the hotel was extended to 28 rooms and the swimming pools and tennis courts were built. By 1988 the hotel was sold to the Blandy Family, makers of Madeira wine and famous as the owners of the five star Reid hotel on the island of Madeira. In 1995 however, the Blandy's were forced to sell the hotel, now badly in need of renovation to three partners who refurbished the bedrooms and added a Michaeljohn hair salon and the health and beauty spa.

In 2001 Bishopstrow became the 6th hotel in the growing Von Essen collection of hotels. Von Essen instituted a major renovation, completed in 2004, of the indoor swimming pool and changing rooms. The hair salon has also transferred to Perry Carson, a world renowned stylist who has worked at some of the world's most exclusive hair salons in Mayfair and all over the world including South East Asia and Australia.



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A hotel isn't like home, it's better than being a house guest...

William Feather

Bishopstrow House has 3 beautiful wedding ceremony rooms perfect for everything from the smallest of ceremonies or up to 70 people.



The **Library** is a particularly atmospheric room located on the ground floor room in the oldest part of the house. Steeped in character with wooden floors, an open fire, a fine collection of antique books and leather armchairs it is ideal for small, intimate gatherings of up to 25 guests.

Hire Charge: £300.00 Saturdays, £200.00 Sunday through Friday

Next to the Library the **Drawing Room** is a light and airy room which boasts a beautiful bay window overlooking the gardens to the side of the main house and lovely antique furnishings and paintings. Ideal for spring summer ceremonies when the sunlight streams through the window its open fire also lends it a deliciously cosy feel in winter. The Drawing Room is ideal for gatherings of up to 30 guests.

Hire charge: £350.00 Saturdays, £250.00 Sunday through Friday

For larger ceremonies, the **Somerset Room** is perfect. Situated in the garden wing, it has dual aspect windows with a commanding view and French doors onto a terrace, perfect for post-ceremony drinks. The Somerset room overlooks the gardens and outdoor pool and provides the most splendid environment for the very finest weddings for up to 70 guests.

Hire Charge: £400.00 Saturdays, £300.00 Sunday through Friday

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A smile on the face is a sign that the heart is at home...

Anonymous

For the ultimate experience and ideal house party atmosphere Bishopstrow House can be entirely at your disposal. Imagine holding your wedding in the exclusive luxury of your own country house where the only guests are those you have invited yourself.



The exclusive takeover of Bishopstrow House is a unique occasion where every event is specially tailored to meet your needs and requirements and where all the personal privacy you could dream of is extended to you and your guests.

It not only provides a greater flexibility for the ceremony, reception and evening entertainment but also allows your guests to feel perfectly at home.

Prices for a taking over the hotel are £12,500.00 Sunday-Thursday, £13,500 Fridays and £14,500 for Saturday inclusive of the following:

- Accommodation in our 31 Bedrooms
- Exclusive use of the Bar, Library, Drawing Room, Wilton Private dining room, The Mulberry Restaurant and The Somerset room
- A Gourmet Three Course Dinner for 62 people in our Mulberry Restaurant
- Full English Breakfast in our Mulberry Restaurant
- Complimentary Newspaper in each bedroom
- Use of the halcyon spa including indoor and outdoor swimming pools and tennis courts, sauna, gymnasium and whirlpool bath (un-exclusive)

Exclusive use of the hotel runs from 2.30pm to 11.00am the following day.

Please note, when taking exclusive use of the Hotel on a Saturday, we require that you have a minimum of 15 bedrooms on a dinner, bed and breakfast basis on the Friday or Sunday night also. Please see accommodation tariff for prices.



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A good marriage is like a casserole, only those responsible for it really know what goes in it...

Anonymous



The award-winning chefs at Bishopstrow House use the finest, freshest ingredients, sourced locally wherever possible and often organic. The result is genuinely imaginative dishes that delight and inspire. From the largest gathering to the smallest our chefs are delighted to produce immaculate food in a glorious setting.

The Wilton Room is the perfect room for an intimate wedding breakfast. Able to accommodate up to 18 on one table or 30 on three large round tables it is a rich, elegant room with a chandelier, decorative fireplace, fine furniture and paintings.



There is no room hire charge when used in connection with a ceremony. Hire charge for Wilton without a ceremony is £200.00



With stunning views over the garden the Mulberry Restaurant is a beautiful and gracious golden-yellow room adjoining the Conservatory. Our restaurant can accommodate up to 70 guests.

There is no hire charge for the restaurant when used in connection with a ceremony. Hire charge for the restaurant without a ceremony is £400.00.

Marquee hire quotation available on request.

You will find following our current wedding menus to give you the opportunity to design a menu to suit your own tastes. We can of course cater for any special dietary requirements outside of this menu. We shall be more than happy to discuss your menu choice and particular requirements well in advance of the wedding day and organise a menu tasting if requested.



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WEDDING MENUS

Three Course Wedding Breakfast at £38.50 per person

Starters

Lemon roasted chicken 'ploughman' terrine (N)
Earl grey tea and prune jam with truffle dressed salad

Orange and dill cured Scottish salmon
Mixed leaf salad with split crab and aged balsamic vinegar dressing, capers and shallots

Chilled, set Exmoor blue cheese panna cotta
With crisp celery, apple, radish and candied walnuts

Twice baked crab and lemongrass soufflé
Sake jelly, lemon chilli syrup, lime mayonnaise and micro cress
(Regrettably not suitable for parties exceeding 60 people)

Twice baked goats cheese soufflé
Set on pickled Barrington beetroot, fine leaf and herb salad

Poached ham hock and foie gras terrine
Sweet mustard sauce with Sauternes soaked golden raisins and toasted brioche

Globe Artichoke Salad (v)
With Barigoule style dressing, fine herbs and black truffle



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Main Courses

Whole Roasted saddle of lamb

With apricot and mint farce, gratin potatoes, fine beans and a light lamb sauce

Roasted Beef Wellington

Roasted potatoes, poached carrots with young spinach, glazes shallots and red wine jus

Poached fillet of West Country beef

Fondant potato with sage and onion marmalade, buttered young carrots, celeriac puree
and Madeira jus

(£5.00 supplement per person)

Butter poached corn fed chicken breast

Braised baby gem lettuce, carrot puree and cauliflower florets, duchesse potatoes and
orange butter sauce

Baked Scottish Salmon

Baked watercress custard, buttered leeks and sauté potatoes on vermouth fish cream

Glazed thyme and shallot tarte tatin (v)

Goats cheese fondue, grilled courgette, young spinach and sweet cured tomatoes

Grilled white asparagus risotto (v)

Sautéed morels, garden chives, parmesan and truffle oil

(During our local season, green asparagus will be used unless requested)



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Desserts

Eton Mess

Strawberries with golden meringue bound in vanilla cream
(Summer only)

Rhubarb and Custard

Lemon steeped savarin with rhubarb sorbet and ginger custard

Warm baked apple flan

Set on butterscotch sauce, cinnamon ice cream with apple crisp

Tonka Bean crème brûlée

Iced Nougatine Parfait (N)

Set on raspberry sauce with pistachio nut dust

Plates of Chocolates

Dark chocolate mousse torte, rich chocolate fondue and white chocolate panna cotta

Tira Misu

Bitter Sweet coffee sauce with blueberry compote

Summer Pudding

Finished with thick berry sauce and vanilla cream
(Summer only)

Selection of West Country Cheeses,
Quince preserve, celery and biscuits

(Also available as an additional course, served per table as a shared platter
- £5.00 per person supplement)

For speed and ease of service during dinner service we require that hosts choose a set menu of one starter, one main course and one dessert for all guests. We are happy to cater for dietary requirements outside of this menu.

Whilst every consideration is made for those guests with particular dietary and allergy needs, we ask that we are informed of these well before your special day so not to interrupt or delay your celebrations.

Not every ingredient can be listed, however we are more than happy to accommodate likes or dislikes with advance planning and can tailor your menu further.

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Wine is bottled poetry...

Robert Louis Stevenson



The cellars at Bishopstrow House are as impressive as its kitchens, offering an excellent selection of both rare wines and vintages for special occasions and more everyday wines.

Before or after your ceremony we are delighted to offer a selection of drinks for your guests to enjoy. These include the following but please contact us if you would

like any other alternatives.

Glass chilled Champagne	£11.00	Pimms Cocktail	£6.30
Kir Royale	£12.50	Spritzer	£7.50
Bucks Fizz	£11.50	Mulled Wine	£8.50
Alcoholic Fruit Punch	£9.50	Sherry	£3.80
Non-Alcoholic Fruit Punch	£4.50	Orange Juice	£3.10

To complement your wedding breakfast we offer a range of red, white and rose wines to suit your menu. Our Food and Beverage manager will be delighted to make suggestions to complement your chosen dishes.

Our house wine starts from £22.00 per bottle. Please contact us for our full list. As a guide towards estimating how much wine to provide for your guests with the meal, we assume one bottle of wine will be shared between 2 people, which is about two and half glasses per person.

For the toast, our house Champagne starts from £43.00 per bottle. We would recommend that one bottle of Champagne will serve 5 glasses.

If you wish to bring your own wine, please note the following corkage charges will be applied:

Still wine (70cl)	£15.00 per bottle
Sparkling wine and Champagne	£25.00 per bottle
Dessert wines and after dinner drinks	£20.00 per bottle



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Our nature lies in movement...

Pascal

To make your day extra special Von Essen are delighted to offer you a unique method of arrival. Travel by air in one of our **fleet of luxury helicopters and executive jets**. Von Essen owns an exceptional fleet of un-badged executive helicopters offering the opportunity to create exclusive and memorable adventures. We can collect you and your guests from your home, office or airport by helicopter and arrive at your destination in style.



Each aircraft is equipped and maintained to the highest specifications and can be carefully matched to meet your requirements and expectations.



Alternatively, why not travel by road in the 'Spirit of Ecstasy', a prestigious Rolls-Royce Phantom. This exceptional motor car is designed to touch the senses and ensure that your journey is savoured and enjoyed. Your voyage in the 'Spirit of Ecstasy' is one of those pleasures never to be forgotten.

The designers have cleverly created two rear-seating configurations and a more intimate environment, you can select the lounge seat with curved sides and a fold-away arm rest. This allows you to turn towards one another during their journey, making it more comfortable and easier to converse.

Once seated, you will notice that the seating is positioned far back in the body, alongside the rear pillar, offering greater privacy than in most modern day vehicles. The elegant blue velvet coachwork and cornsilk leather interior of the von Essen hotels Rolls-Royce Phantoms was chosen to reflect the splendour and opulence throughout this exquisite collection of luxury hotels.

The Rolls-Royce Phantom has a presence like almost nothing else and will undoubtedly turn heads wherever it goes.

The von Essen Phantom can be hired with a chauffeur for £1,600 per day.



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The secret of all victory lies in the organisation of the non-obvious...

Marcus Aurelius



HAIR AND MAKEUP

Our in-house hair studio Perry Carson and the Bishopstrow Spa are delighted to offer hair and makeup for the wedding party. Please contact the spa and Perry Carson directly for more details. The Spa is available on 01985 212312 and Perry Carson is available on 01985 846 644.

WEDDING CAKE

Although we are unable to make your cake for you we are able to recommend local specialists who have a selection of designs to choose from.

PHOTOGRAPHS

The hotel can arrange a photographer or videographer, or we are happy to put you in touch with local companies.



TABLE GIFTS AND FAVOURS

We are happy to assist you in locating a supplier of table gifts and favours, alternatively you might like to consider some Bishopstrow homemade chocolate truffles or vanilla scented candles as a possibility



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FLOWERS AND FLORAL TABLE ARRANGEMENTS



We would be happy to arrange flowers for your special day and can recommend a number of local florists. If you prefer to organise your own florist please ask them to contact us and we will be delighted to show them round the hotel and assist in any way we can.

SEATING PLAN AND GUEST LIST

We are happy to assist you in creating a seating plan to satisfy all of your guests. We will also provide place cards for the tables at no extra charge.

MUSIC

While we are happy for you to choose your own music and musicians some conditions may apply depending on your booking. We are happy to suggest suitable musicians and have a wide range of contacts available. We are also happy to suggest toastmasters and after dinner speakers.





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To have and to hold...

Traditional Wedding Ceremony

Once you have made provisional arrangements for your marriage at Bishopstrow House Hotel, you should contact the Superintendent Registrar on 01225 713007. The marriage can only take place in the presence of the Superintendent Registrar, therefore any arrangements for the use of the hotel depend on first confirming availability with them. Once you have made a firm booking with the Registrars Office, please notify us and we will be delighted to confirm your reservation.

Should you live outside the district, you will need to inform your local Superintendent Registrar. This should be done in person by either the bride or groom. Please note, this notice is only valid for three months and therefore one of you should attend the Registrars Office in your local area as soon as possible after notice has been given.

You should be advised that by law a marriage at Bishopstrow House is a civil marriage only and that no religious connections can be made. This includes music, readings, words and performances all of which must be entirely secular and have no religious content whatsoever. The content of your ceremony must be agreed in advance with the Superintendent Registrar who will be attending the ceremony at Bishopstrow House Hotel.

The room hire fees quoted in this wedding pack do not include any fees payable to the Registrar which need to be paid directly, together with your marriage licence fee, which you will need to arrange yourselves.

The notes above have been prepared for your guidance and are correct to the best of our knowledge. Full details of the regulations concerning civil marriages are available from the Registrars Office.



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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

DEPOSIT

A non-refundable deposit of £250.00 is required at the time of booking to secure the room of your choice or exclusive use of the hotel.

Full pre-payment is required prior to the event. Our policy is to receive 50% six months prior to the event, and the remaining pre-payment three months prior.

RESERVATIONS

The rooming list of all the guests, together with a programme outlining the required times of meals, must be received at least fourteen days prior to the date of arrival.

CANCELLATIONS

Full details of our cancellation policy can be found on our terms and conditions available direct from the hotel.

CANCELLATION INSURANCE POLICY

The hotel recommends that an insurance against cancellation is taken out. This can be arranged through an Insurance Broker, ensuring reimbursement of the cancellation charge in the event of cancellation as a result of most causes.

PAYMENT

The client is fully responsible for all costs in accordance with the agreement. Reduced participation for either meals or accommodation does not convey the right to any reduction. Any extras during the event are to be settled in full on departure.

MISCELLANEOUS

The hotel management reserves the right to alter the tariff without prior notice if there is a national increase in basic costs.

The hotel is entitled to annul the contract without obligation to pay compensation of any kind by reason of strike, lockout, fire, restrictions in deliveries or other special circumstance beyond the control of the hotel.

Guests are respectfully requested to vacate their rooms by 11.00am. Therefore, if an early arrival is anticipated, accommodation may not be ready until 2.30pm. If guests are attending the wedding on the day of departure, luggage should be packed during the morning and will be stored until guests are ready to depart from the hotel.

Full terms and conditions are available at the time of booking. Once signed and return along with the deposit, your booking with us will be confirmed and will allow us to proceed.