



# Weddings

THE ROSE AND CROWN HOTEL

# Your Perfect Location

Built in the 14<sup>th</sup> century, it doesn't take long to understand why our hotel is synonymous with romance and the perfect place to start your new journey together.

We're a licensed venue, so you have the convenience of holding your wedding ceremony and reception in the same venue.





# Beautiful Ceremonies

Accommodating up to 100 guests, our ceremony room is filled with character and charm.

With beautiful oak beams and a stunning fireplace, this room has romance and character in every corner.





## *Please Be Seated*

Our talented team of chefs are truly passionate about creating menus to ensure you and your guests have the most exquisite dining experience.

The Oak Room seats up to 160 guests and has its own entrance, toilets, dance floor and private bar. It's hard to imagine a more enchanting setting for your perfect day.

# Stay The Night

For the newlyweds we will provide you with overnight accommodation; our gift to you for your first night as a married couple. With options to upgrade to one of our stunning four poster suites\*.

For your guests, we are able to offer special accommodation rates in one of our 39 bedrooms, so they can extend their celebrations and enjoy a delicious cooked breakfast before heading home.

*\* Subject to availability. Diamond package includes our four poster suite.*





# *Come And See Us*

We're here to help you plan your perfect day from beginning to end. Join us for a guided tour with a member of our wedding team and enjoy a complimentary glass of fizz on us.





*Wedding Pricing,  
Packages & Menus*



# Silver Package

From  
£3,650

- 50 day & 70 evening guests
- Three course wedding breakfast
- Wedding breakfast & reception room hire in The Oak Room\*
- A welcome drink per guest – Buck’s Fizz or orange juice
- A glass of wine per guest during meal
- A glass of sparkling wine per guest for toast
- Four item finger buffet in evening for 70 guests
- Overnight accommodation in a standard bedroom with breakfast for the happy couple
- Use of silver cake stand and knife

	Sunday - Thursday			Friday			Saturday (and Bank Holiday Sunday)		
	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026
<b>May-Oct</b>	£3,950	£4,410	£4,870	£4,350	£4,810	£5,270	£4,750	£5,210	£5,670
<b>Nov-Apr</b>	£3,650	£4,110	£4,570	£4,050	£4,510	£4,970	£4,450	£4,910	£5,370

\* Ceremony room hire is £500.

£50pp for additional wedding breakfast guests (up to 100 guests). £55 from 2025 & £60 from 2026.

£16pp for additional evening guests (up to 160 guests). £19 from 2025 & £22 from 2026.

Children’s package available for £25 per child up to 10 years old. £26 per child from 2025 & £28 from 2026.

Add our ‘Dressed To Impress Ceremony Décor Package’ for just £600

Add a DJ for £350



# Gold Package

From  
£5,560

- 50 day & 70 evening guests
- Four course wedding breakfast
- Ceremony, wedding breakfast & reception room hire in The Oak Room
- Classic Drinks Package:
  - Drinks Reception: A glass of prosecco or aperol spritz per guest
  - With Meal: Two glasses of wine per guest
  - Toast Drink: A glass of prosecco per guest
- Six item finger buffet in evening for 70 guests
- DJ
- Chiavari chairs
- Place cards and menus
- Overnight stay in traditional oak-beamed bedroom with breakfast for the happy couple
- Use of silver cake stand and knife

	Sunday - Thursday			Friday			Saturday (and Bank Holiday Sunday)		
	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026
<b>May-Oct</b>	£5,860	£6,320	£6,780	£6,260	£6,720	£7,180	£6,660	£7,120	£7,580
<b>Nov-Apr</b>	£5,560	£6,020	£6,480	£5,960	£6,420	£6,880	£6,360	£6,820	£7,280

£70pp for additional wedding breakfast guests (up to 100 guests). £75 from 2025 & £80 from 2026.

£24pp for additional evening guests (up to 160 guests). £27 from 2025 & £30 from 2026.

Children's package available for £25 per child up to 10 years old. £26 per child from 2025 & £28 from 2026.

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# Diamond Package

From  
£9,570

- 50 day & 70 evening guests
- Four course wedding breakfast
- Ceremony, wedding breakfast & reception room hire in The Oak Room
- Four canapés per guest
- Premium Drinks Package:
  - Drinks Reception: Unlimited drinks station for 90 minutes, with prosecco
  - With Meal: Three glasses of wine per guest
  - Toast Drink: A glass of champagne per guest
- Six item finger buffet in evening for 70 guests
- DJ and uplighters
- Chiavari chairs and ivory drapes
- Place cards and menus
- Overnight stay in four poster suite with welcome gift and breakfast for the happy couple
- Overnight stay for the happy couple on your wedding anniversary (T&Cs apply)
- Dressed to Impress Ceremony Décor Package
- Use of silver cake stand and knife

	Sunday - Thursday			Friday			Saturday (and Bank Holiday Sunday)		
	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026
<b>May-Oct</b>	£9,870	£10,330	£10,790	£10,270	£10,730	£11,190	£10,670	£11,130	£11,590
<b>Nov-Apr</b>	£9,570	£10,030	£10,490	£9,970	£10,430	£10,890	£10,370	£10,830	£11,290

£125pp for additional wedding breakfast guests (up to 100 guests). £130 from 2025 & £135 from 2026.





£24pp for additional evening guests (up to 160 guests). £27 from 2025 & £30 from 2026.

Children's package available for £25 per child up to 10 years old. £26 per child from 2025 & £28 from 2026.








# Sample Wedding Menu

## STARTER

Garlic tiger prawn skewer, rocket salad  
Ham hock croquette, pea purée  
Tempura root vegetables, chilli jam  
Caesar salad  
Creamy tomato soup & crusty bread roll  
Chicken liver pâté, crostini & onion chutney  
Thai red curry mussels & crusty bread   
Mushroom arancini & stilton ragu   
Potted duck confit & sweet red cabbage   
Salmon gravlax, rocket & Parmesan salad 





## MAIN

Lemon and thyme chicken supreme, garlic mash, seasonal veg & gravy  
Roast loin of pork, Cheddar mash with seasonal veg & apple cider jus  
Grilled chilli & soy aubergine, vegetable rice & pak choi  
Cajun cauliflower steak, sweet potato fries & salad  
Pan-fried sea bass, hasselback potatoes, crispy kale with garlic cream sauce  
Butternut squash & stilton risotto, Cheddar tuile & spinach  
Individual beef wellington, fondant potatoes, cauliflower cheese, butternut squash & broad beans   
Pan-seared duck breast, duck leg bonbon, dauphinoise potato, poached plums, fennel & red wine sauce   
Oven baked salmon, new potatoes, samphire, green beans, lemon & butter sauce   
Herb crusted pork loin, pork belly, dauphinoise potato, tenderstem broccoli & wild mushroom jus 

 Available in our Diamond Wedding Package or as a supplement in our other packages

\* £26 per child from 2025 & £28 from 2026

## DESSERT

Lemon meringue pie  
Strawberry, raspberry & tarragon cheesecake, vanilla crème anglaise  
Lemon & blueberry cheesecake  
Orange chocolate brownie  
Lime pie, coconut crumble, lemon sorbet  
Banoffee choux bun, milk chocolate sauce  
Mango & coconut pannacotta   
Pecan & amaretto tart, Biscoff whipped cream   
Dark chocolate fondant, strawberry sorbet   
Raspberry & vanilla mille-feuille 

## CHILDREN'S MENU - £25\*

For children up to 10 years old (under 3s are free). Includes a reception drink, three course wedding breakfast and their own special toast drink.

### STARTER

Fruit kebab  
Cheesy garlic bread  
Tomato soup with warm bread

### MAIN

Chicken goujons, skinny fries & peas  
Pasta, tomato sauce & grated cheese  
Sausages & mash, peas, gravy

### DESSERT

Chocolate brownie, vanilla ice cream  
Fruit salad  
Ice cream





# Sample Finger Buffet Menu

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Our Silver package includes four buffet items, our Gold and Diamond packages include six items. Extra items are available for £4 per guest.

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Assorted sandwiches

Arancini balls with tomato ragu

Filo wrapped prawns, sweet chilli dip

Pancetta loaded potato skins

Pigs in blankets in a honey & mustard dressing

Maple BBQ chicken drumsticks

Smoked paprika & Parmesan cheese twists (V)

Garlic & herb potato wedges (V)

Chicken satay skewers

Miniature Cornish pasties

Miniature pie selection - chicken & mushroom, steak & ale, mushroom & stilton

Crudités, nachos, guacamole, sour cream, salsa (V)

Hoisin duck spring rolls

Vegetable samosas & onion bhajis (V)

Chocolate torte

Eton mess nests

Cinnamon doughnuts & caramel dip

Miniature cheesecakes – strawberry, lemon & blackberry

Croquembouche

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# Sample Canapé Menu

Four canapés per guest for £10pp (included in our Diamond package)

Lamb loin & pea pancakes with salsa verde

Teriyaki beef lettuce wraps

Smoked salmon on pepper blinis with caviar crème fraîche

Chicken jalfrezi on mini poppadoms

Mini Brie & red onion tarts

Parmesan & pea risotto balls

Cherry tomato, buffalo mozzarella & basil pesto skewers

Mini cheese & ham toasties

Goats cheese crostini with basil & onion jam

Welsh rarebit

BBQ glazed pork belly bites

Stilton & grape crackers

Cheese scones

Salmon gravlax blini

Mini cheeseburgers

Spicy chicken wings

Lemon & olive oil halloumi

Bruschetta - tuna & onions, tomato & basil,  
olive tapenade

Mini fish & chips



# Finishing Touches

## Enhance Your Meal

CANAPÉS ON ARRIVAL	Four canapés per guest for £10pp (included in our Diamond package)
SORBET COURSE	£3 per guest
CHEESE PLATTER	£40 per table of eight
PETIT FOURS	£3 per guest
MINERAL WATER	£4.50 per bottle
AFTER DINNER LIQUER	From £5 per guest
WINE UPGRADES	Please request our current wine list
BOTTLED BEERS	From £4.50 per bottle
CLASSIC DRINKS PACKAGE	£30 per guest. Includes drinks reception - a glass of prosecco or aperol spritz per guest. With meal - two glasses of wine per guest. Toast drink - a glass of prosecco per guest.
PREMIUM DRINKS PACKAGE	£70 per guest. Includes drinks reception - unlimited drinks station for 90 minutes, with prosecco. With meal - three glasses of wine per guest. Toast drink - a glass of champagne per guest.

## Finishing Touches & Entertainment

CHIAVARI CHAIRS & DRAPES	£2 per chair
DISCO	From £350
UPLIGHTERS	From £50
PHOTOBOOTH	From £265



# Dressed To Impress

## Ceremony Décor Package

£600



We've put our most popular decorations into one simple package, to help you give your ceremony the wow factor.

- 2 x large white blossom trees
- 2 x medium white blossom trees
- 6 x luxury silver aisle lanterns with LED candles
- White aisle carpet runner
- Vintage post box
- White chiffon Chiavari chair drapes and silver broaches
- Classic white or wooden easel with vintage silver mirror for you to add a personalised message for your guests

Please get in touch with our Wedding Co-ordinator if you have any questions or would like to find out more about this package.





# Need To Know

## RESERVING YOUR DATE AND WHEN TO PAY

To secure your booking we will require an initial deposit of £750 no more than 14 days after setting your provisional date. Six months prior to your wedding day we will require 50% of your total balance. Final payment is due four weeks before your wedding day. In the unlikely event of you having to cancel your wedding, all deposits are non-refundable.

## GUEST NUMBERS AND TABLE PLAN

Final guest numbers, table plans and menu choices must be confirmed with your wedding manager one month prior to your wedding day.

## CEREMONY DETAILS

We recommend contacting the Colchester Registry Office as soon as you have reserved your date to confirm their availability and discuss the necessary details. You can contact them directly on: Colchester District Register Library, 21 Trinity Square, Colchester CO1 1JB. Telephone: **0345 6037632**, email: [registration@essex.gov.uk](mailto:registration@essex.gov.uk) (includes Colchester Borough Council and Tendring District Council).

## ACCOMODATION

We would be delighted to reserve an allocation of bedrooms at a special discounted rate for your guests once you have secured your booking via an initial deposit. Please ask your guests to contact reception directly to confirm their details; payment will be taken on arrival. Any bedrooms which are not booked from your allocation will be released eight weeks prior to your wedding day.

## CATERING

We only allow catering provided by our own chefs and cannot allow any outside catering either from professional caterers or family members. For our Silver and Gold packages please select one starter, main and dessert that will be served to all guests. For our Diamond package please select two starters, mains and desserts that will be served to all guests. Any dietary requirements will be catered for separately.

## TWILIGHT WEDDINGS

Twilight weddings are available from Sunday to Friday. Saturdays are also available when booked within six months of your wedding date.

## CORKAGE

We do not permit corkage; all alcohol must be supplied and sold through The Rose and Crown Hotel.

## MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT

A DJ is included in our Gold and Diamond packages or it can be added to our Silver package for an additional charge. Alternatively, you can arrange your own DJ, you will just need to complete relevant health and safety forms and provide PAT testing/insurance documentation.

## TIMINGS

All wedding parties will be required to finish at midnight at the latest. However, any wedding guests staying in the hotel will be able to purchase drinks from our bar after this time.

## PARKING

We have 35 parking spaces in our hotel. There is other parking available within walking distance of the hotel, plus great public transport links as we're close to Colchester town centre.

## DECORATIONS

You are more than welcome to provide your own table decorations and chair covers. If you will be using a professional supplier for this, please provide your wedding manager with their details. Should you wish to decorate the day before the wedding, we will do our best to accommodate this. However, this will need to be confirmed close to your wedding date as there may be another function the day before.

## SUPPLIERS

We have a list of suppliers who we would highly recommend working with on your wedding day. Please speak to your wedding manager for more details.



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