



THE WINCHESTER
HOTEL & SPA

Weddings & Ceremonies

Your happily ever after



A Venue Surrounded *by History*

We would like to offer our warmest congratulations on
your forthcoming Wedding Day!

The Winchester Hotel & Spa provides a wonderful
setting for your wedding day, featuring a beautiful
crystal-lit function room, the highest standards of
service and ideally located within a short walk of the
historic centre of Winchester.

The team at The Winchester Hotel & Spa are very
proud of the relationship we develop with our wedding
couples. From your initial enquiry throughout the
planning and preparation, to the Wedding Day itself, our
professional and experienced team will take perfect care
of you and your guests to provide the most cherished
memories.

The hotel also features a luxury spa, which offers
relaxing and holistic treatments from a wide range
of world famous beauty houses, indulge in perfect
pampering, either before or after your wedding day.

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When I saw you I
fell in love, and you
smiled because
you knew.

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Your love story begins here



Tying the knot

The Crystal Room

For couples who would like to hold their Civil Wedding ceremony at the same venue as their wedding celebration, The Winchester Hotel & Spa is an ideal choice as we are fully licensed to hold your civil ceremony for up to 130 guests in our Crystal Room. With a contemporary neutral décor and mood lighting encompassing hundreds of tiny crystals, The Crystal Room provides both a beautiful and a dramatic backdrop to your celebrations.

Fully air-conditioned and with your own private bar, The Crystal Room can accommodate a Wedding Breakfast for up to 130 guests. Continue your celebrations into the night with a spectacular evening reception, customised to your wedding requirements. The Crystal Room will be transformed for your drinks reception, ready for you to take your first dance before you let the evening unfold with a live band or DJ entertainment.

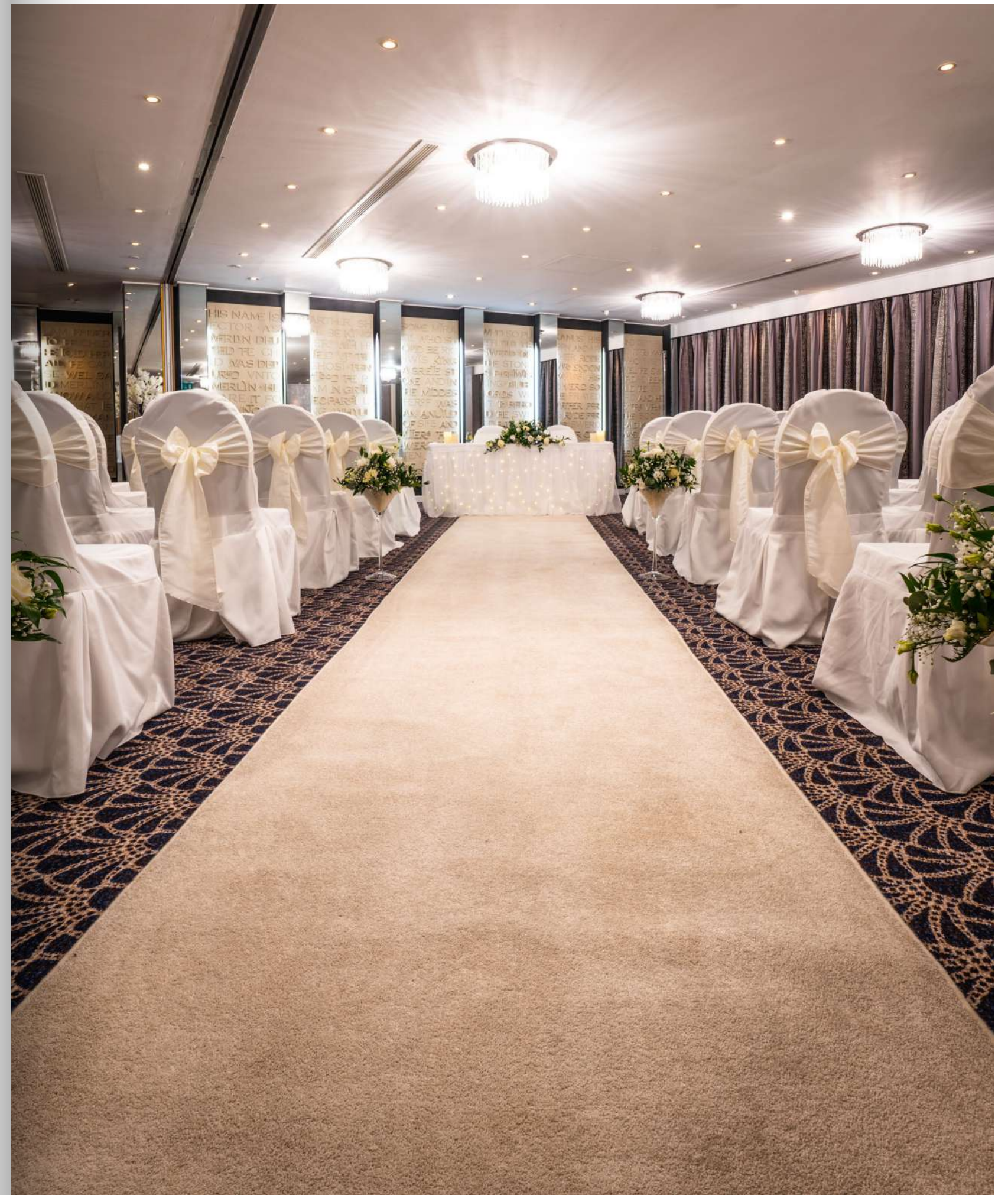


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Local Registry Office

The local Registry Office based in Winchester are contactable on 0300 555 1392 or via their website at www.hants.gov.uk. Please speak with your wedding specialist for advice on the best ceremony time.

If you are looking to have a church ceremony, we would be delighted to host the remainder of your wedding day. Our wedding specialists can provide a list of local churches on request.



Sensational Food

Celebrate your first moments of married life and enjoy exquisite food with your friends and family. We have a range of menu options so you can tailor your wedding breakfast to suit your day.

Our dedicated team of chefs will ensure that you experience a delicious first meal together as a married couple. You will enjoy specially designed dishes using locally-sourced fresh ingredients.

Your wedding planner would be delighted to advise you on every aspect of your wedding day catering, from cocktails, canapes and your wedding breakfast menu, through to your evening buffet.



Sample Menu

TO START

Gin cured salmon, with wasabi aioli, cucumber purée and baby herbs
Chicken and ham terrine, served with tarragon mayonnaise and mustard dressing
Beef tartar, with confit egg yolk, served on toasted sourdough
Salt roast heritage beetroot, with Rosary Goats Cheese and walnut praline

TO FOLLOW

Beef wellington, served with dauphinoise potatoes and a red wine jus
Roast chicken, served with pomme purée, squash and mushroom ketchup
Oven roast salt cod, served with cauliflower purée and hasselback potatoes
Handmade spinach and ricotta raviolo, served with a creamy chive sauce and parmesan cheese

TO FINISH

Strawberry bavaois, served with poached strawberries and strawberry gel
Salted chocolate marquise, served with burnt chocolate and chocolate sauce
Sticky toffee pudding, served with toffee sauce and clotted cream
Blackberry cheesecake, served with blackberry coulis and blackberry sorbet



Relax in our Luxury Spa

Complete your wedding experience with our in-house luxury spa. Book a relaxing treatment either before or after your wedding with wonderful holistic and beauty treatments for you and your guests to choose from. The Spa features treatments by ESPA and Nails by Mii, with treatment rooms available for two people at one time.

Enjoy one of our spa days ahead of your wedding for a stylish spa hen party or even just for spending some quality time with loved ones.

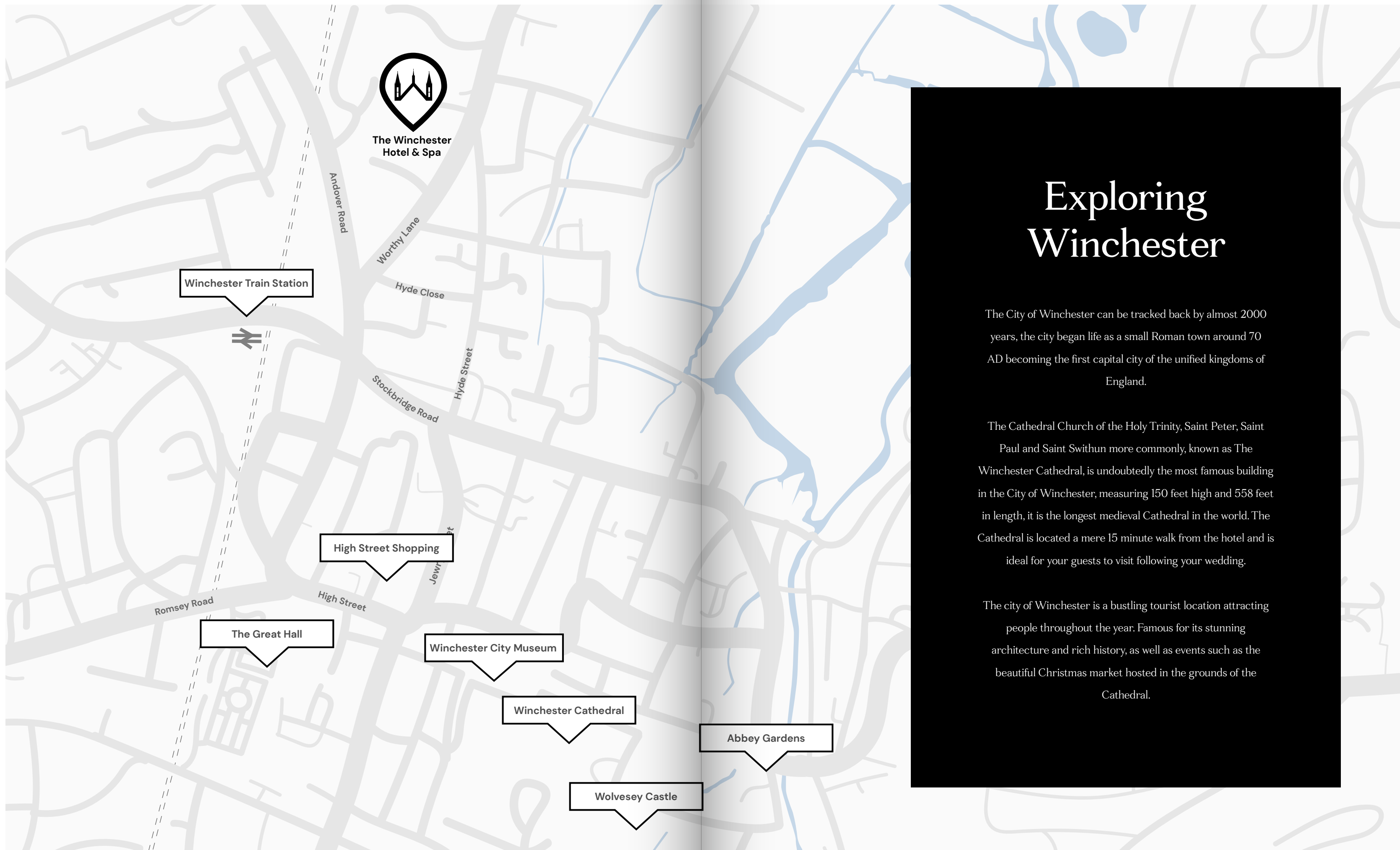
Access to The Spa is included in all our room rates.

Staying With Us

Once the last song has been played and everyone has said their farewells, it's time to head to bed. At The Winchester Hotel & Spa we understand only the best of the best will do for your wedding night. Choose between one of our three Suites, and have the option to hold bedrooms for your guests at a favourable rate.

The Winchester Hotel & Spa has a collection of 96 stylish bedrooms and suites. Beautifully decorated, our bedrooms are the perfect place to retire to after the thrills and excitement of your big day. All rooms have an ensuite bathroom, spacious wardrobe, smart TV and tea and coffee making facilities.





Exploring Winchester

The City of Winchester can be tracked back by almost 2000 years, the city began life as a small Roman town around 70 AD becoming the first capital city of the unified kingdoms of England.

The Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity, Saint Peter, Saint Paul and Saint Swithun more commonly, known as The Winchester Cathedral, is undoubtedly the most famous building in the City of Winchester, measuring 150 feet high and 558 feet in length, it is the longest medieval Cathedral in the world. The Cathedral is located a mere 15 minute walk from the hotel and is ideal for your guests to visit following your wedding.

The city of Winchester is a bustling tourist location attracting people throughout the year. Famous for its stunning architecture and rich history, as well as events such as the beautiful Christmas market hosted in the grounds of the Cathedral.



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Adding Your Personal Flourish

The small details are just as important as the big ones, and we understand that everything can seem overwhelming when wedding planning. But not to worry, our wedding specialists will be with you every step of the way, supporting your decisions, liaising with suppliers and allowing you to relax and enjoy one of the most important occasions of your life. Below are some ideas of extra touches to make your day even more special.

Welcome carpet

We want you to feel special on your wedding day, by rolling out the red carpet for your arrival, or an elegant cream carpet to walk down the aisle during your ceremony.

Tables

We supply two types of tables, round and banqueting tables. The round (6ft) tables seat 9 guests. Our banqueting tables can be provided on request, dependant on guest numbers.

Linen

We provide white table linen for all our table setups. If you would like to use coloured linen or chair sashes, we have trusted suppliers who we can recommend.

Table Plans and Name Cards

Please let us know your final table plan at least two weeks prior to your wedding. If your reception room is available the day before your wedding you are very welcome to set up your name cards, favours and decorations yourself. If this isn't possible we can arrange set-up for you.

Menus

As part of our service we will supply a printed menu for each table if required.

Music

Our entertainment license is valid from Monday – Sunday until midnight each night.

Confetti

We have a wonderful confetti throwing location at the front of our hotel, making for an excellent wedding photo. We do require that all confetti used by your wedding party is biodegradable.

Children

Younger guests aged 12 and under are considered to be children for catering purposes. We can supply smaller portions from the main menu or you may prefer to select from our children's menu.

Highchairs can be supplied at no additional charge. Please include any requests for these when you are making final arrangements so that we can ensure there are enough available on the day.

Suppliers

We can recommend a range of excellent suppliers, all of whom have good experiences of working at The Winchester Hotel & Spa. Please ask your wedding specialist for further information and contact details. We welcome site tours with suppliers so they can view the space in advance.

Wedding cake

Please ask your cake supplier to deliver on the day of your wedding. We have a range of cake stands to choose from for your big day, with a silver knife available on a complimentary basis.

Insurance

We possess public liability insurance, but we strongly recommend that you also consider wedding insurance that will provide cover against illness, failure of suppliers and so on.

Flowers

We can work with your florist to arrange for your flowers to arrive on site and set up for your big day. This can be arranged for either the night before or the morning of your wedding.

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Counting Down the Days

Planning your wedding can be an imposing task, so making a plan of all the things to do before your wedding can help keep you on track for your big day. Our wedding specialists have provided a step by step guide to planning your wedding to help you along the way.

When you get engaged

- Pop the champagne and celebrate!
- Decide on your wedding date and check availability at The Winchester Hotel & Spa.
 - Pay your deposit.
 - Set your budget.
- Start planning your guest list.
- Choose your wedding party.

12 months to go

- First meeting with your dedicated wedding specialist.
 - Send out your “save the date” to your guests
- Book your photographer and, if you want one, videographer.

11 months to go

- Book your wedding entertainment.
- Choose a florist and discuss your flowers – start thinking of all things pretty!

10 months to go

- Decide on your wedding outfits.
- Advise guests to start booking accommodation.
- Choose your hair and make-up artist.

8 months to go

- Choose the music and readings for your wedding ceremony.
- Decide where the wedding gift list should be held and select your gifts.
 - Order invitations and envelopes.

6 months to go

- Plan your hen and stag nights.
- Choose presents for your best man, bridesmaids, ushers and anyone else who is making an important contribution to your wedding day.
 - Choose your wedding rings.
- Think about wedding transport and book if needed.
- Make your second payment to The Winchester Hotel & Spa.

5 months to go

- Make sure your passport is valid! And if you are taking your partner's surname, allow plenty of time to have it updated.
- Book your menu tasting at The Winchester Hotel & Spa.
- Book your pre-wedding shoot with your photographer.

4 months to go

- Send out invitations and ask guests to RSVP no later than 2 months before the wedding date.
 - Organise the printing of your order of service.

3 months to go

- Book a wedding rehearsal at the church (if applicable).
- Final details appointment with your wedding specialist.
 - Start planning your honeymoon.
- Make your third payment to The Winchester Hotel & Spa.

2 months to go

- Try on your wedding outfit.
- Start writing your speeches.
 - Decide on guestbook.
- Make your fourth payment to The Winchester Hotel & Spa.

4 weeks to go

- Inform The Winchester Hotel & Spa of final number of guests and make your final payment.
 - Arrange your seating plan.
- Order the relevant currency for your honeymoon.

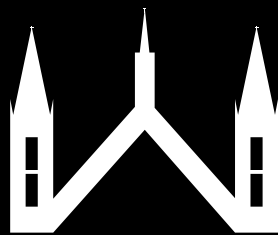
1 weeks to go

- Drop off any décor items to The Winchester Hotel & Spa.
 - Meet with The Winchester Hotel & Spa team.
 - Pack for your honeymoon.
 - Break in your wedding shoes.

On the day

- Enjoy your big day, leave the details to us.





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