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In the heart of picturesque parkland with far reaching sea views, lies your very own fairytale manor house for your tranquil big day. Say 'I do' in the glorious Victorian Orangery before serving a feast inside the decorative Edwardian reception rooms. Exclusively yours, a wedding at St. Audries Park is an unforgettable experience enhanced by spectacular scenery, fine dining and flexible hospitality.







## THE HOUSE

At St. Audries Park, let the splendid gardens be your aisle with two settings for your ceremony both a short walk through the idyllic grounds. The beautiful Victorian Orangery can house a Civil ceremony for 130 guests, or exchange your religious vows in the magnificent medieval St. Ethelreda's Church. The arched glass roof and floor to ceiling windows in the Orangery stream with natural light for gorgeous photographs. Inside the house, the elegant Banqueting Hall seats 130 guests for your wedding breakfast with numerous options for further reception rooms.





# THE HOUSE



Warmly welcome guests with a roaring log fire in the Great Hall with a drinks reception or relax in the gilded Drawing Room. The latter has its own baby grand piano and famous ornate ceiling known as the Burst of Angels. The cosy Champagne Bar and newly refurbished disco can host up to 250 guests for an evening party.

With views reaching across the deer park, the bay window in the Banqueting Hall is the perfect spot for your top table. The airy room complements any theme with elegant period features including ornamental windows, high ceilings and a marble fireplace which can be dressed with flowers.





## THE GROUNDS

Set in 100 acres of scenic deer park, St Audries Park is a short drive from the pretty village of Williton, located close to Bristol, Taunton and the South West. A winding driveway through serene parkland leads you to the dramatic Gothic entrance of the private manor house, where panoramic views stretch across the rolling Quantock Hills and as far as the Bristol Channel.





## THE GROUNDS



With a sloping landline, it's ideal for capturing the stunning natural landscape in every one of your photographs. More than that, St Audries boasts a number of unique spots for your pictures whatever the season. In Summer, the sun reflects the turrets on the mirrored lake whilst the ivy on the house turns a vibrant shade of red in Autumn.

In warmer weather, serve drinks around the pretty fountain on the manicured lawn between the Orangery and the main house. Guests can try their hand at croquet or look out for one of the resident deer which roam the park.





## FINE DINING

Let our in-house team of experienced chefs deliver an unforgettable culinary experience

for you and your guests. Handpick your wedding breakfast menu with your Personal

Wedding Manager from a number of seasonal selections which utilise fresh, local ingredients wherever possible. Should you have your heart set on a favourite dish, we are happy to accommodate any tastes and dietary requirements.

The Champagne and Cocktail bars are fully stocked for celebrations including our Dadnor English Sparkling Rosé, which is proudly made by the founder of Country House Weddings himself.





# FINE DINING



From four-course gourmet meals to irresistible buffets which will delight evening guests, we promise delicious food served impeccably. Enjoy regional cheeses and locally grown vegetables, alongside herbs from our own garden, in creative canapés and mouthwatering mains. For something a bit different, tuck into an evening hog roast or meat skewers from our alfresco barbeque grill.



We endeavor to accommodate all tastes and budgets with our carefully curated house wine list, but can whip up any cocktail from summer Pimms to after-hours Mojitos. Our kitchen can create sublime wedding cakes as well as homemade treats for afternoon tea.



# SAMPLE MENUS

## STARTERS

### Venison Carpaccio

Served on toasted brioche  
chocolate sauce and pear chutney

### Ham Hock Terrine with Piccalilli

Confit Ham Hocks garnished  
with salad leaves and served with  
homemade piccalilli

### Salmon Fishcake

On a bed of crushed peas  
with homemade tartare sauce

### Baked Camembert Tart (V)

Camembert, fig and confit  
red onion tart served with  
a quince Chutney

## MAIN COURSE

### Saddle of Lamb

With Apricot and Thyme stuffing  
lightly roasted and served with garlic  
fondant potato and rosemary jus

### Slow Cider and Herb Braised Belly of Pork

Served alongside fondant potatoes,  
charlotte carrots and a rich cider  
and sage jus

### Pan Fried Free-Range Breast of Chicken

With Pancetta crisps, served on  
colcannon potato with a  
wild mushroom cream sauce

### Pasty of Woodland Mushroom (V)

With cavolo nero potato cakes  
and truffle oil dressing

## DESSERTS

### Lemon Tart

A rich lemon filling in crisp pastry  
with clotted cream caramelised  
lemon zest & lemon coulis

### Dark Chocolate Fondant

A dreamy chocolate dessert with  
cherries and mascarpone cream  
and homemade Raspberry and  
Prosecco sorbet

### Caramel Apple Crumble

Amazing twist on a great British  
classic; toffee apple topped with a  
rich crisp crumble topping and a  
homemade custard ice cream

### Banoffee Cheesecake

Served with chocolate sauce  
and Baileys cream

## VEGAN STARTERS

### Avocado and Houmous Salad and Toasted Pitta Bread

Ripe avocado, blended with  
chickpea Tahini and garlic, served  
with a pine nut and rocket salad

## CHILDREN'S STARTERS

Garlic dough balls served  
with a BBQ, mayonnaise or  
tomato sauce dip

## VEGAN MAIN

### Garlic & Saffron Stewed Courgette with Butter Beans & Mint Salsa

Lightly braised courgette with garlic  
and saffron, tossed with butter  
beans and served with a mint salsa

## CHILDREN'S MAIN

Roasted Free-Range Chicken  
served with seasonal vegetables

## VEGAN DESSERTS

### Vegan Pecan Pie

Rich soya pastry, with a maple  
syrup filling and toasted pine nuts

## CHILDREN'S DESSERT

Chocolate Fudge Sundae







## ACCOMMODATION

For the ultimate ease, St. Audries Park has overnight accommodation for up to 100 guests on the grounds. All rooms are en-suite and beautifully decorated, from cosy cottages nestled in the gardens to luxurious rooms in the house itself. The enormous Lady Hood bridal suite comes with a four-poster bed draped in silk, and Jacuzzi bath for a truly special first night. Breakfast is included, so you can extend your big day with everyone over a traditional full English.





## ACCOMMODATION



With classic period features and sumptuous furnishings, the 11 bedrooms in the main house are perfect for close family and friends who will be spoiled with breathtaking views. A short walk away, the 5 cottages and lodges offer seclusion and country comfort, with numerous room options for groups. The Coach House includes a twin-room with disability-friendly facilities. Overall St Audries Park can accommodate over 100 guests.

Not only can you and your wedding party spend the night before at St. Audries Park, we can now accommodate up to 40 guests should they want to arrive in good time. Early check-in, however, is guaranteed for everyone on the day.



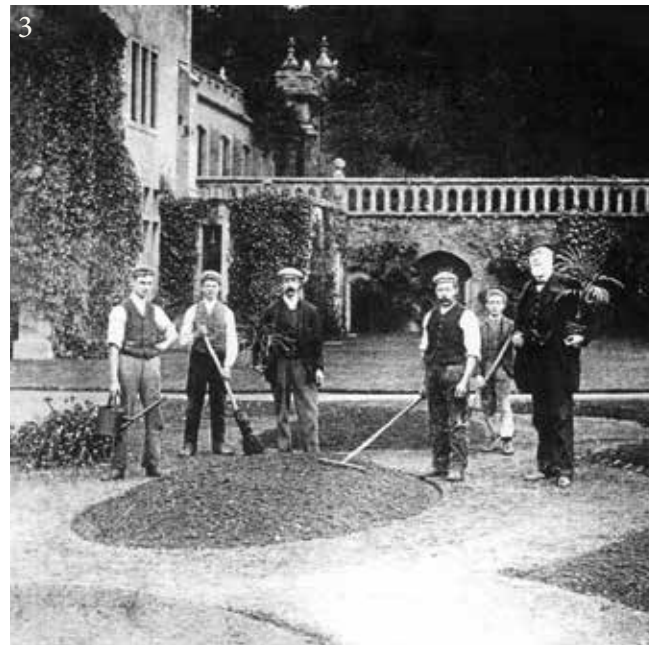
# THE HISTORY OF ST AUDRIES PARK

Records of the St Audries estate can be traced back as far as 1086, when it was mentioned in the Domesday Book. William de Mahon held Cantocheve as it was then known, detailing people, animals, farm implements, 50 acres of woodland and 16 acres of meadow. The name Cantocheve derives from canto cuan - meaning hill country referring to the beautiful hills of the Quantocks that loom above the estate.

Half a century later the Malet family of Enmore Castle held ownership of the site. The family were descendants of Guillame Malet, who was a companion and kinsman of William I. The estate stayed with the Malet family for over 500 years, and it was one of its descendants, Michael Malet, who renamed it to St Audries and carried out extensive work, enlarging the site into one huge, profitable, working estate.

However, much of the beautiful mansion that we see today was built by the Acland family between 1835 and 1870. Sir Alexander Bateman Periam Fuller Acland-Hood carried out extensive renovations including new frontages on the South West and South East aspects, allowing for the Great Hall with the Minstrel's Gallery that we still see today. The state rooms were furnished with the finest material from all corners of the world and valuable paintings adorned the walls including Turner's 'The Beach at Hastings'. Today, the Turner picture may no longer be present, but the stately feel of this quintessentially British country estate still remains for its wedding couples to enjoy in all its glory.

1. An Engraving circa 1820
2. Victorian Elegance and Grandeur
3. The Head Gardener and his Team circa 1850



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## THE HAPPY COUPLES...



*Phiroze & I had the most magical wedding possible on Thursday at this beautiful venue. Nothing was too much trouble during our Night Before celebrations, hosted at Peregrine House, and actual Wedding Day and our Wedding Co-Ordinator Claire deserves nothing but praise! We would thoroughly recommend St Audries Park as a wedding venue for anyone wanting a wonderfully unforgettable experience!*

**Suzi & Phiroze**

*There are no words to describe how amazing this venue is! We loved every minute of our day and felt special from the moment we first viewed the venue & even still do ..... Any one who is lucky enough to have Aly as a wedding planner as we were, will have a day like no other. She was there from the moment I woke up to the moment I went to bed and she helped with everything and made it stress free - she couldn't have done anymore. I will 100% be going back as many times as I can squeeze in, and will be planning my renewal there to lol !!!*

**Stacie & Simon**



*Thank you to Claire and the team at St Audries Park, our wedding on Monday was everything I could have imagined it to be and more. The venue is stunning, the food was amazing and the team cannot do enough for you. Everything was so relaxed and Claire you were fabulous, I cannot thank you enough for everything you did and for looking after our guests so personally. I don't have the words to say how absolutely magical our day was thank you, thank you, thank you xx*

**Rachel and Paul**



*Now we're back from Madrid, we just wanted to get in touch to thank Aly and all of the team at St. Audries Park for an amazing day. We can't say thank you enough for everything you all did for us, the venue is perfect, the food was fantastic, the staff so friendly and helpful, it was all we could have ever asked for and more. All the feedback from our guests is exactly the same, everybody loved it.*

**Emily & Matt**



*Love love love St Audries Park, once we had seen it we knew nowhere else would compare. We had our special day here in April and it was absolutely perfect! All of the staff were amazing, the food was great and the venue beautiful. If you're thinking of St Audries Park as your wedding venue arrange a look around, there's no hard selling (unlike some places we looked at) and I'm sure you won't be disappointed.*

**Becky & Ryan**

*We would like to say a huge thank you to all the staff at St Audries Park on 20th August. Everyone was so kind, accommodating, friendly and professional. Every aspect of our day was completely perfect, we couldn't have hoped for more. Special thanks to Janette, for making our day run so smoothly, nothing was too much trouble, a genuinely warm person who put me at ease and really cared about our day. Thanks again x*

**Debbie and Matthew**





# VENUE INFORMATION

We look forward to welcoming you to St Audries Park and hope that you choose our special venue for your perfect day. Our venues look stunning in the brochures but nothing will compare to seeing them in real life. To arrange your viewing or to find out more about our upcoming open days, please contact our team of wedding experts today...






## LOCATION



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