



FONMON  
CASTLE

# Fonmon Castle – the wedding of your dreams



*From the moment your family and friends first turn into the grounds of Fonmon, they will realise that they have arrived somewhere very special.*

*Set in a private estate, the timeless beauty of the walled gardens, sweeping lawns and the romantic Castle continue to enchant each generation that visits.*

## YOUR CASTLE FOR THE DAY

*Because we are still a family business, the emphasis is very much on the individual. We know that every wedding is unique and guarantee you exclusivity and privacy for your special day.*

*Intimate or grand, formal or casual - the choice of celebration is yours and you can choose how to combine the rooms and gardens to suit your style of wedding*

*We do not present 'packages' but prefer to work with couples on an individual basis to ensure that your day is bespoke and completely personal to you.*

*Make this unique castle, owned by just two families in over 800 years, yours for the day.*

*"It was a joy to feel this was a personal experience, not another corporate conveyor belt"*

*Jenny & Ian*







## MARQUEES

The Library can accommodate up to 80 for a seated wedding breakfast but for larger celebrations, a marquee for up to 200 can be sited in front of the Castle which links directly to the Hall via the Porch.

With over twenty years' experience, our supplier Alpine Marquees is now firmly positioned as a company with a reputation for reliability and attention to detail. The ambience within the marquee is unique to every occasion so we believe you should create your look, but Alpine are always happy to offer help and advice with choosing the best design and layout for your wedding.

All arrangements for the hiring and interiors of a marquee should be made by each couple directly with Alpine Marquees

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Photography by Chris Barrocca

## WEDDING CEREMONIES

Fonmon Castle is licensed for Civil Wedding Ceremonies and the romantic gilded Library on the first floor provides an idyllic place to exchange vows. The Library can seat up to 110 guests for a larger ceremony but is equally suited to smaller and more intimate occasions.

Please note for a Civil Ceremony, a Registrar will need to be available, please contact –

Vale of Glamorgan Register Office, Barry  
Telephone 01446 700 111  
E-mail [Registration.Service@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk](mailto:Registration.Service@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk)

## WEDDING RECEPTIONS

Whether you choose to be married at the Castle or elsewhere, let Fonmon be the backdrop to your celebration. Every wedding at Fonmon is individually tailored and because we only hire on an exclusive basis, you can choose exactly how your big day works.

If the weather is fine, you might wish to greet your guests on the sweeping emerald lawns and enjoy champagne in the sunshine.

If the weather is less than perfect, it's easy to move inside the elegant Georgian interior to the Drawing Room and the dramatic galleried Hall for drinks and canapés.

When its time to eat, lead your guests along the gallery to the sumptuous first floor Library; or through the Porch and into a marquee for a full wedding breakfast. Later on, we can open the discreet but fully functioning bar and you can dance the night away on the castle's parquet floors. You may also decide to serve a buffet for your evening guests.

The choice is entirely yours.



call us to arrange a consultation on – 01446 710 206



*“Your choice of caterers is spot on, absolutely professional, excellent suggestions and attentive, even when we bombarded them with questions”*

*Roger & Meryle*



### *IMMACULATE FOOD IN A GLORIOUS SETTING*

*Fonmon Castle works with a choice of two best in class caterers*

*The Really Fresh Food Company was founded ten years ago by Beppe & Christine Villa after many years of running successful restaurants and the husband and wife duo have a dynamic hands on approach: Beppe acts as front of house ringmaster and Christine leads the absolutely first class catering team.*

*Please contact The Really Fresh Food Company Christine & Beppe Villa Telephone: 01446 740 781 www.thereallyfreshfoodcompany.com*

*Spiros are award winning bespoke caterers with restaurant experienced chefs, they provide you with individual service and flexibility to make your big day a completely individual and truly memorable occasion.*

*Please contact Spiros Telephone: 029 2049 4425 www.spiros.co.uk/*

*Both caterers offer a wealth of dining solutions and can discuss with you arrangements for service, table linen and glass hire. Each couple receives a personal consultation and menu planning service, so you get exactly what you want for your wedding day – whatever you choose.*

### *IT'S ALL IN THE DETAILS*

*We use Alpine Marquees and The Really Fresh Food Company because we believe they are the best at what they do.*

*For all other aspects of your wedding, you are free to use family, friends or other suppliers to ensure all the details are exactly as you want them.*

*To help you with the planning, we have made a list of accommodation and suppliers that other couples have reported as having delivered well and the Fonmon Team are available to discuss your ideas at any stage.*



*“We didn't have to worry about a thing”*  
*Tom & Gemma*

### *A MOMENT OF CALM*

*Our recently restored Brides Room is the perfect place for you to prepare for your big day. The room is deliberately peaceful and exquisitely feminine with beautiful views across the lawns. A dressing table and huge mirrors ensure you look your absolute best from every angle and there is also an en-suite bathroom. Finally, there is a comfy sofa for you to relax if you choose to sneak away for a moment of calm during the big day.*

### *PHOTOGRAPHY*

*Your photographer will be spoilt for choice at Fonmon with enchanting locations throughout the Castle. Gather your guests in the Hall and capture the excitement of the day with a group photograph or slip away for portrait shots in the elegant Georgian interiors.*

*With the extensive garden and grounds fully at your disposal, you are free to wander around the walled gardens, saunter to the Watch Tower or steal a kiss in the Summerhouse and create memories to last a lifetime.*

### *ACCOMMODATION*

*Whilst we do not offer accommodation at the Castle itself, there are a wide range of options nearby and we have negotiated preferential rates at the most local to help your guests have a great time at your wedding.*

### *PERSONAL SERVICE*

*Your wedding is one of the most important days of your life and from your initial enquiry, right through to the big day itself, Fonmon Castle's friendly and experienced team are on hand to help you.*

*Our dedicated wedding co-ordinator can inspire you by listening and responding with suggestions to support you throughout the wedding planning journey and will be a friendly face on the day to ensure everything runs seamlessly.*

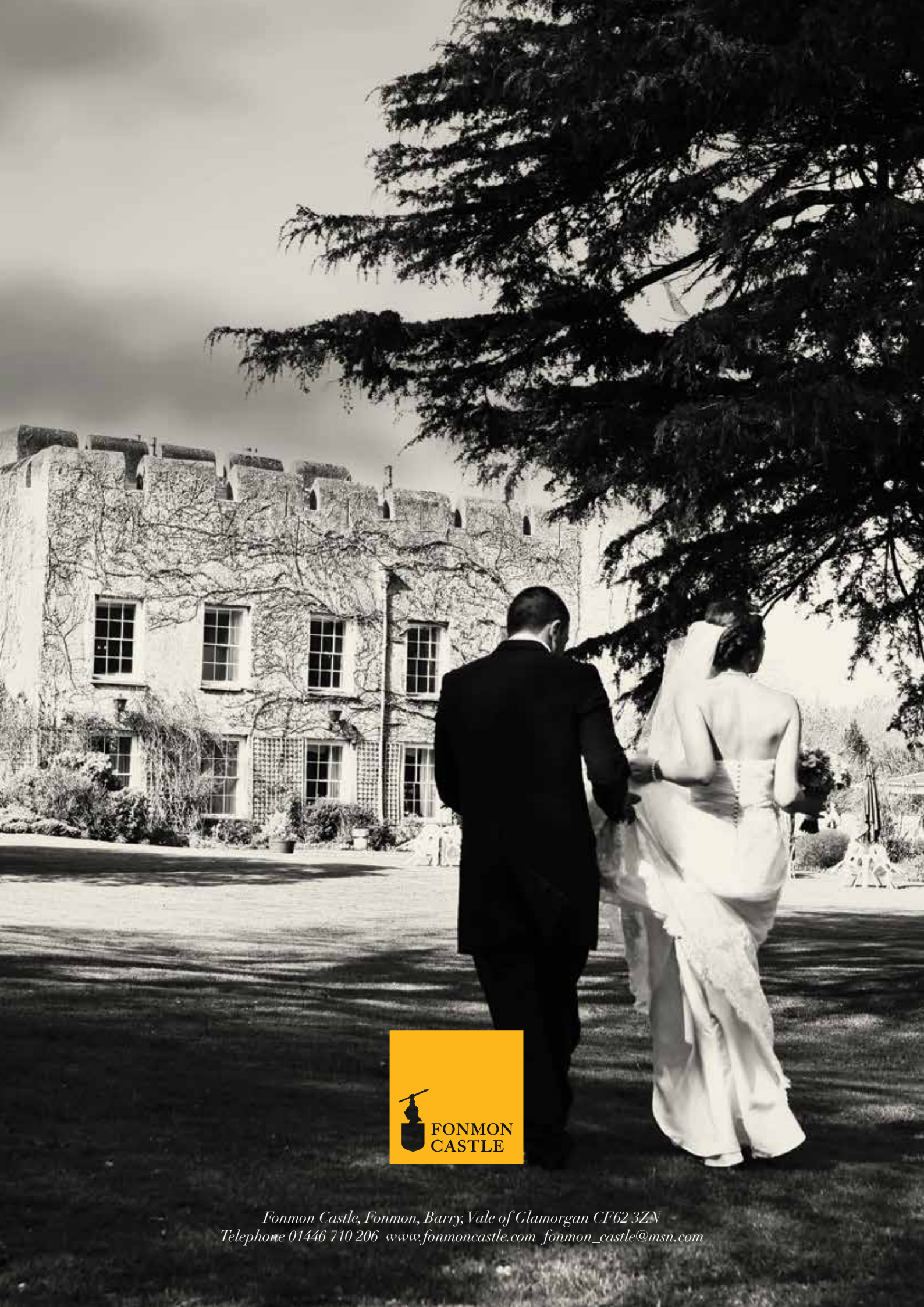


### *See for yourself*

*Make an appointment to come and explore how Fonmon can help you have the wedding of your dreams*

*Call the Castle on 01446 710 206 or email Fonmon\_castle@msn.com www.fonmoncastle.com*

*\*Please note: if any other caterers are required, only those approved by Fonmon Castle prior to booking may be used*



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## Wedding Venue Hire Rates 2018 - 2019

	<b>High Season</b> (May – Sept)	<b>Mid Season</b> (April, Oct & Dec)	<b>Low Season</b> (Nov, Feb & Mar)
<b>Sunday – Thursday</b>	£2,550	£1,950	£1,350
<b>Friday</b>	£3,000	£2,400	£1,800
<b>Saturday</b>	£3,500	£3,000	£2,400

For a Civil Ceremony Only: please contact us for prices

All hire of the Castle & Gardens is based on exclusive use by clients

Catering and Marquees are only by arrangement from our approved suppliers





## **Marquee Wedding Offer**

### **Summer 2018 & Summer 2019**

For a limited selection of dates in 2018 and 2019, we are able to offer venue hire of the castle with a Marquee at up to 50% discount off normal hire fees

	<b>2018 (July)</b>	<b>2019 (July/August)</b>
<b>Sunday – Thursday</b>	<b>£3,800</b>	<b>£3,950</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>£4,500</b>	<b>£4,650</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>£4,995</b>	<b>£4,995</b>

Exclusive use of the Castle, gardens and Marquee for the day of your wedding

Stunning marquee, directly annexed to the Castle  
Graceful ivory drapery, anthracite grey carpet and lime washed chiavari chairs  
Round tables of 10, with top table seating up to 10 people  
Dance floor and ample room for your band or DJ  
Opportunities to add your own flavour with bunting, flowers, fairy lights etc

Maximum numbers

Ceremony – up to 110 people seated  
Wedding breakfast – up to 150 people seated  
Evening Reception – up to 250 people



# Directions

## To Fonmon Castle



*Please Note: Using SatNav to approach the Castle can cause problems. We have a unique postcode which does not 'link' to a public highway. Hence you may be told 'you have arrived' when you are anywhere up to ½ mile away.*

*From Junction 33 of the M4 follow A4232 towards Cardiff. At the first major intersection take A4050 following signs to Cardiff Airport. (The A4050 becomes A4226 north of Barry.) Bypass the airport to the north following A4226/B4265 towards Llantwit Major. Do NOT take 1st left, which is signposted Fonmon (the village), but continue under bridge for another two thirds of a mile. Follow brown tourism signs, firstly left towards Rhoose and East Aberthaw. Then, 100 yards beyond the top of the small hill, turn left again into Castle Road. Go over traffic lights and our lodges are at the end of Castle Road, with the gates on the left.*

*For bookings and further information, please contact –*

**01446 710 206**



*Access information available on our website or in printed form on request*

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# Fonmon Castle and Estate

## Summary of Terms & Conditions for Marriages and Similar Hospitality

**Disabilities** Fonmon Castle Estate, all our staff and our contractors are committed to assisting people with disabilities according to their needs. Please see our Access Statement and help us by advising in advance about any known requirements.

**Bookings** Confirmed bookings are made on the basis of a signed agreement between Fonmon Estate, (the Estate), and a client for the use of the Castle, grounds and/or other parts of the Estate for a specified period and upon full payment before the event. Bookings are subject to availability and are not confirmed until deposits have been paid and accepted by the Estate. Provisional bookings may be made and will be held on option for a period of 2 weeks only but should another client wish to book for the same facilities or period, the holder of the provisional booking may be asked to provide the deposit and written confirmation within 72 hours. Failure to comply may result in the venue being re-let.

**Charges** A deposit, (normally £600), is required to secure a booking and is required within 14 days of making the booking or the booking may be released. The balance of charges is required 30 days before any function. Payment may be made by cash, cheque, credit/debit card or bank transfer. The actual date of payment does not affect the sums due, which shall be in accordance with these terms. Final numbers for invoicing must be confirmed no later than 6 weeks before the wedding date. These numbers will be the minimum basis for charges.

**Notification** In order to handle events efficiently, the Estate will issue a function sheet, the final of which must be returned to the Administrator, with any required amendments noted in writing and initialed, at least 7 working days prior to the event. Amendments may result in charges being varied. Final numbers must be re-confirmed 7 days in advance of the event.

**Cancellation** The Estate will always endeavour to re-let a cancelled date and, if successful, may refund sums additional to those determined below. Cancellation of a confirmed booking more than two months in advance will result in the loss of the deposit only. Cancellation between two months and one month in advance, 70% of agreed fees; less than one month, 100%.

**Insurance** Insurance must be taken out for any function. This can be via Arthur Browns, whose proposal form can be obtained through the Castle administrator. Clients can take out their own insurance, but the Estate would require the name and telephone number of the insuring company or agent, a copy of the policy, and confirmation of payment and acceptance of the current premium. Public Liability must cover £2 million pounds and where relevant, Marquee cover of £20,000. The Estate is expressly NOT responsible for loss incurred because of failure to supply services owing to force majeure, e.g. the Castle suffering a fire shortly before an event. The Estate is expressly NOT responsible for external expenses incurred by clients or their guests, staff, agents, contractors or sub-contractors e.g. honeymoon, hotel reservations and travel.

**Health, Safety and Damages** The Estate, is a heritage environment and the Castle is also a private home. Clients are responsible for satisfying themselves that their proposals can be safely carried out. Client organisers should familiarise themselves with Estate health and safety arrangements, especially procedures in the event of fire. (Details from the Castle Administrator.) Space in certain rooms is limited, e.g. the Castle library cannot accommodate more than 80 seated, additional guests will be seated in another room. Damage to the Estate, including the Castle and its contents, arising from misuse or negligence on behalf of the client, their guests, staff, agents, contractors or sub-contractors, will be deemed the responsibility of the client and will be charged. Because of proximity to Cardiff Airport, firework displays are not permitted at Fonmon.

**Food** The Estate has caterers who have been approved for their high standards and levels of service. Unless there are exceptional circumstances on religious grounds, clients must use the caterers approved by Fonmon Estate.

**Bar** A bar can be provided. A fee will be agreed at time of booking for this facility depending on services required. Beers/Lagers other than proprietary brands in bottles or cans are not permitted unless purchased through the bar.

**Corkage** In the event clients wish to provide their own wines a corkage handling charge (currently £5.00 per head) is made and the Estate will store, chill and dispose of the bottles at no extra charge.

**Music, florists and other service providers** The Estate needs to liaise direct with client's chosen providers so will require a contact name and telephone number. Should clients wish any providers to be given refreshment, this must be arranged direct with the caterer.

**Parking** There is ample car and coach parking available. Vehicles parked on the Estate are at the owner's risk at all times. It is essential that taxi trips are booked well before an event. Information can be obtained through the Administrator.

**Table Plan (when applicable)** A draft copy of the table plan is required 2 weeks in advance, with final confirmation 72 hours prior to the event on A4 paper or larger. A plan showing the table numbers with the guests' names listed below starting with the main guest on each table. Please also mark any guest with special dietary requirements or if any are children requiring highchairs. Please also mark any guests requiring wheelchairs to ensure suitable access

**Hand held fireworks, tea-lights and other naked flames are not permitted in the Castle except by special arrangement.**  
**No Confetti or anything similar is allowed either inside the Castle or in the grounds.**  
**Unless stated, all charges are inclusive of VAT and are subject to review.**

Large print and audio versions of this document are available on request.