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Congratulations on your engagement and thank you for your enquiry!

Please read these notes & tips

We really look forward to showing you around the Longhouse and grounds—

The Longhouse at Mill on the Brue is set within our 25 acres of land overlooking the Brue valley on the edge of the historic town of Bruton. We are a small family-run wedding venue and are able to accommodate up to 145 guests exclusively for your day. We limit the number of weddings to no more than 15 per year so that we can guarantee you personal attention and service. We can offer lots of advice on the order of the day but we don't have any set timings to follow – instead we just listen to your ideas and help realise them.



History

The Longhouse is located on Trendle Farm, a Victorian farm house in a 25 acre estate which is also home to Mill on the Brue outdoor activity centre. Mill on the Brue was founded by my parents in 1982 and in 2004 I returned to help run the family business. That year we began building the Longhouse with a view to hosting a few weddings. The build was completed in time for my own wedding to Flora in October 2005 and we have been helping couples celebrate their own wedding day ever since!



Exclusivity & time to prepare

When we have a wedding at the Longhouse we do not have any other customers throughout the entire Mill on the Brue estate. We suggest that you drop off your wine for the wedding breakfast, any table decorations, table plan and anything else the day before the wedding from around 4.30pm with our dedicated wedding coordinator. That way you can meet me for any last minute changes, talk to the caterers who will be laying up the tables and make sure that you are happy with all the arrangements. We think this way ensures a more relaxed and happy wedding couple! Have a look at our Google Tour of the Longhouse set up for a wedding we had in the summer.

Civil wedding license

For fair weather anytime of the year our stunning oak gazebo is licensed to hold civil ceremonies and partnerships, which is nestled between lavender beds and our vineyard at the end of the Longhouse lawn.

Additionally we are licensed to have civil ceremonies and partnerships in both the vaulted wine cellar for an intimate wedding or the Longhouse with up to 145 guests. Somerset County Council Registrar's office charge an additional of £420 to £600 to conduct the ceremony. The Registrar's office number is 01823 282 251.

Catering

Select a catering company of your choice* or use one of our recommended caterers:

Taste Somerset, Bruton

ring Denise 01749 812 022 or mobile 07719 185 339 www.tastesomerset.co.uk

Dorset Fine Dining ring Nick Holt 07525 667 687 eat@dorsetfinedining.co.uk www.dorsetfinedining.co.uk

Lyme Bay Field Kitchen

ring James 07905 869 764 or landline 01297 552 881 www.lymebayfieldkitchen.co.uk contact@lymebayfieldkitchen.co.uk *For non-recommended catering companies we charge £3.00 per guest for the use of our commercial kitchen.

All companies start by asking you what you enjoy eating and what sort of budget you have in mind. This gives you complete flexibility in your choice. We've had more traditional dishes as well as tapas and one wedding couple wanted sausages and mash! I recommend ringing the caterer and having a chat.

No corkage!

We don't charge any corkage and you are welcome to provide your own wine and champagne until the end of the wedding breakfast, which is usually around 7.00pm. At this point we will stop serving your wine and open up our cash bar. Again the price of the venue hire includes our staff to run the bar throughout the evening.

Closing time

We close the bar at 11.30pm and gently herd all the guests from the Longhouse at midnight.

The venue hire rates can be found below, and include exclusive hire of the Longhouse for the day, tables & chairs and, if wanted, our wine cellar which can be used for teas and coffees or a quieter space for guests throughout the day.



Availability

2019

2015	
January	5, 12, 19, 26
February	2, 9, 23
March	2, 16, 23, 30
April	6,13, 20
June	29
August	21, Bank holiday Monday 26, 31
September	
October	19 ,26
November	9, 16, 27, 30
December	9 ,16
2020	
January	4, 11, 18, 25
February	1, 8, 15, 22, 29
March	7, 14, 21, 28
April	4,18
May	16
June	
July	
August	Wed 26, 29, Bank holiday Monday 31
September	12, 26
October	17, 24, 31
November	7, 14, 21, 28
December	5, 12, 19

Venue hire rates

2019

June, July, August	£5,300
April, May, September, October	
January, February, March, November, December	£4,100

2020

June, July, August	£5,400
April, May, September, October	
January, February, March, November, December	£4,180



Accommodation

As part of the venue hire, the bride and groom will have the use of the bridal flat in the main farmhouse from 11.00am Saturday until 11.00am Sunday. This includes a double bedroom, kitchenette, bathroom and large sitting room.

Bunk & Breakfast within a stone's throw from £39 pppn

Many wedding guests just want to have a comfortable and convenient place to sleep so our onsite accommodation couldn't be better. We have three twin rooms and many rooms with bunk beds. All rooms are for hire on both the Friday and Saturday nights. On the Sunday morning we serve a full English breakfast in the Longhouse from 8.30am until 9.30am, included in the price; this gives lots of guests a great opportunity to chat and catch up. We ask for all guests to have left the premises by 11.00am.

Alternatively there are over 100 bed places in and around Bruton ranging from B&B's, AirBnB and hotels.



I do hope you'd like to come and have a look at the Longhouse. Please email me again or telephone 07855 361 652 to arrange a viewing.

I look forward to hearing from you.

With best wishes,

Matt

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The Longhouse is a family-run company