

A wedding with us at The Bluebell Railway will add that extra special something to your very special day and we are delighted that you are looking into the possibility of holding all or part of your celebrations with us.

Your wedding day should be everything you have ever dreamed of, and our job is to make sure that each wedding is unique, giving you as much or as little as you wish for in the way of arrangements.

We have pleasure in enclosing details of all the different services that we are able to offer, including menus, wine lists and charter fees, and we specialise in giving you a day that is tailor-made to your personal requirements. We are only too pleased to show you around so you can have a clearer idea of the facilities that we offer before you make your choice.

To make an appointment to visit us at the Railway please contact Julia Piqué our Wedding Planner in the Sales & Information Office. We look forward to welcoming you to the Bluebell Railway for an unforgettable experience.

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### The Ceremony

We have two very different rooms that are licensed for Civil Marriages and Partnerships.

For the smaller more intimate ceremony we suggest
The Waiting Room on Platform 1 at Horsted Keynes,
our restored Victorian station located amidst the winding lanes
of West Sussex. The maximum number of people this room can hold is 40,
including the bride and groom and two Registrars.

Should you need a larger room for your marriage ceremony, we can offer you The Birch Grove Suite which is a private room situated above our restaurant on the platform at Sheffield Park. This room is licensed for 60 people, again including the wedding couple and two Registrars.

Both rooms will be decorated with professional floral arrangements in the colours of your choice, and we can also order all your wedding bouquets and buttonholes for your guests to co-ordinate with your colour scheme.

Additional wedding decorations for you to personalise the larger Birch Grove Suite can be easily arranged.

Both venues offer a CD player for you to bring your own music, and live music is welcomed where space allows.

From your initial approach to us, you will have the services of a dedicated Wedding Adviser who will take care of all the details and arrangements to make sure that everything runs smoothly for you on your special day.

## Civil Ceremonies at The Bluebell Railway

Once you have chosen a date for your wedding, it is important that you contact the respective Registration service to book the Registrars for your ceremony.

You will need to telephone the Superintendent Registrar, who will be happy to answer any questions you may have regarding the procedures to be followed. You will then be able to confirm the date and time of your ceremony with us.

A ceremony at Sheffield Park is served by Lewes Registration Office Southover Grange Southover Road Lewes BN7 1TP Tel: 01273 475589

E: lewes.registrar@eastsussex.gov.uk

A ceremony at Horsted Keynes is served by Ceremonies Team West Sussex Registration Office Southgate Avenue Crawley RH10 6HG Tel: 01243 642122

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Fees for your Civil Ceremony are paid directly to the appropriate Registration Office.

## Drinks Receptions

After your ceremony you and your guests can enjoy drinks served on the platform by uniformed staff before your chosen train pulls in to take you off for your wedding breakfast.

Towards the end of your trip you may choose to cut your wedding cake with toasts and champagne on board the train, or you might decide to alight onto the platform again, where this can take place under a decorated gazebo.

| Pimms per jug for 6 people                        | £19.95 |
|---|--------|
| Pimms per glass                                   | £4.50  |
| Bucks Fizz  | £4.50  |
| Kir per glass                                     | £4.75  |
| Kir Royale per glass                              | £4.95  |
| Non-alcoholic Fruit Cup per jug for 6 people      | £12.95 |
| Sparkling Elderflower Pressé per jug for 6 people | £12.95 |
| Mulled Wine per glass                             | £3.50  |
| Fruit Juices per jug for 6 people                 | £7.95  |

Any still or sparkling wines or Champagne can be chosen from the accompanying Wine List at the listed price per bottle.

Canapés - Please choose six of the following for £7.00 per person

| Oven-roasted Pigs in Blankets         | Tapinade & Cheddar Palmières |  |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Smoked Salmon & Cream Cheese Blinis   | Honey-glazed Chipolatas      |  |
| Chicken Liver & Beetroot Chutney Cups | Fig & Roquefort Crostini     |  |
| Smoked Mackerel & Horseradish Bouchée | Parmesan Cheese Straws       |  |
| Red Pepper Salsa Y. Prawn Spoons      |                              |  |
| Mini Custard & Nutmeg Tartlet         | Petite Strawberry Scone      |  |
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Red Fruit Meringuette

## Your Wedding Breakfast

Step aboard the fabulous Golden Arrow Pullman dining train for a truly memorable experience. You and your guests will travel in 1920's luxury whilst enjoying fine food and wines silver-served to you by experienced and attentive staff as you journey through the delightful Sussex countryside that surrounds our line. The Golden Arrow can usually accommodate up to 106 guests in its three carriages, and is steam-hauled by one of our historic locomotives. The train recreates the fabulous Golden Arrow which once linked London and Paris with the style and panache which made it one of the most glamorous and famous trains in the world.

We are also able to offer The Wealden Rambler, a set of three 1950's Lounge Car carriages, with a maximum seating capacity of 108 guests, on which you can be served either a delicious Luncheon or an elegantly traditional Afternoon Tea.

You can also choose to take a shorter trip on one of our trains, followed by a traditional sit-down meal or a buffet in The Birch Grove Suite.

We can also arrange for evening celebrations in marquees situated at either Sheffield Park or Horsted Keynes.

On the next few pages you will find a selection of our menus from which you can choose a perfect meal for you and your guests to enjoy.

Our chefs are always more than willing to vary menus to suit your particular wishes, and are always happy to cater for specific dietary requirements if necessary.

In short, we will do our utmost to implement your wishes so that you are unable to forget your wedding with a difference here at

The Bluebell Railway.

## The Birch Grove Suite

In addition to a reception held on board a train, we also offer the facilities of the newly-refurbished function room which is situated above the Bessemer Arms Restaurant on Platform 1 at Sheffield Park Station.

It is not necessary for you to hold your Marriage Ceremony with us at the Railway or to have taken a ride on our trains in order to appreciate a Wedding Reception with us.

You and your guests can enjoy a traditional sit-down meal in the comfort of our fully air-conditioned room, which contains its own private bar and service facilities.

Alternatively you can partake of a sumptuous buffet which will have been especially prepared for you on the premises by our own Chef.

The maximum number of guests is 64 to be seated for a Wedding Breakfast and 90 for a Buffet Reception.

All our Banqueting Menus are available for silver-service, together with any of the Wedding Buffet Menus.

The Birch Grove Suite has been tastefully decorated with railway-themed murals, leaving plenty of scope for more traditional wedding decorations if required.

The Suite is accessed by stairs only from the platform and there is a stair lift if required.

#### **Banqueting Menus**

<u>Flora Menu</u> £43.00

Mango Sorbet on a Melon, Blueberry & Pineapple Compôte



Salmon Supreme, marinated in Soy, Honey & Ginger served on a bed of Roasted Vegetables



Dark Chocolate & Brandy Tart garnished with Fresh Berries

#### <u>Pearl Menu</u> £44.00

Gravadlax of Salmon on Seasonal Leaves with a Beetroot, Dill & Horseradish Crème Fraiche



Gratinated Pork Fillet, Apple & Leek Mille Feuille wrapped in Smoked Bacon



Raspberry Pavlova served with Pouring Cream

#### <u>Lucille Menu</u> £45.00

Salad of Pulled Duck Leg Confit with Flash-roasted Peppers & Ginger



Guinea Fowl Supreme with an Apricot & Cumberland Farce



Chocolate & Baileys Cheesecake

#### <u>Leona Menu</u> £47.00

Balsamic-roasted Red Pepper, Courgette & Plum Tomato Soup



Fillet of Seabass served on a bed of Roasted New Potatoes



Banoffee Pie

#### <u>Carina Menu</u> £48.00

Duck Terrine served with Crostini and a Rhubarb Chutney



Roast Sirloin of Beef with a Nut-brown Yorkshire Pudding and a Red Wine Sauce



Lemon Tart with Raspberry Sorbet

#### <u>Cecilia Menu</u> £48.00

Roasted Parsnip, Bramley Apple & Sage Soup



Five-spice dusted Duck Breast on a bed of Braised Red Cabbage



Pear & Blackberry Crumble Tartlet served with a Vanilla Custard

#### Zena Menu £49.00

Duo of Salmon, Crayfish and Artichoke Tian



Slow-braised Leg of Lamb Tranche with Maple Syrup Glazed Root Vegetables and Minted Jus



Gateau St. Honore

All main courses are served with a selection of seasonal vegetables

All prices include Coffee and Mints

Cheese & Biscuits £6.50

#### London Gourmet Menu £64.00

Chef's Medley of Canapés

Asparagus wrapped in Bacon on a bed of Dressed Rocket Leaves

Refreshing Fruit Sorbet

Roast Sirloin of Beef with Balsamic Glazed Onions and a Port & Thyme Jus

Croquembouche Enfant served with Chocolate Sauce

Coffee and Mints

Paris Gourmet Menu £69.00

Chef's Medley of Canapés

Grilled Goats Cheese Croutiere with a Lavender Chutney

Demi-Tasse of Gazpacho

Medallions of Beef Fillet with Fondant Potatoes and a Mushroom & Madeira Sauce

Summer Pudding with Clotted Cream

Coffee and Mints

## Vegetarian Options

#### Starters

Warm Asparagus Spears with Hollandaise and Mixed Leaves or Tomato & Mozzarella Salad with Red Basil and a Vinaigrette Dressing or Chilled Galia Melon filled with Fresh Berries or Woodland Mushroom & Tarragon Velouté

Main Courses

Honey-roasted Root Vegetable Tarte Tatin

or

Wild Mushroom, Leek & Roasted Pepper Lasagne

or

Butternut Squash & Rocket Risotto

or

Roasted Mediterranean Vegetable & Goats Cheese Bruschetta

A Special Children's Choice Menu is available if required £10.00 per person

or choose our Celebration Picnic Box for £7.00 per person

Please enquire for further details

## Menus for the Lounge Car £32.00 for 2 Courses £38.00 for 3 Courses

Parisienne Melon Cocktail with a Thyme-infused Red Berry Compote
or

Pearls of Mozzerella with Supplyshed and Baby Tomatoes

Pearls of Mozzerella with Sunblushed and Baby Tomatoes and a Peppery Rocket Salad

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Pork & Chicken Terrine served with Oatcakes and a Red Onion Relish

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Please choose three of the following for your main course

Slices of Thyme & Cracked Black Pepper Roasted Sirloin of Beef
Honey-roast Ham with Wholegrain Mustard
Turkey Breast with Orange-zested Cranberry Sauce
Hand-raised Gala Pie with Piccalilli
Coriander & Sweet Chilli Marinated Atlantic Prawns with
a Beetroot Crème Fraiche
Goats Cheese & Caramelised Onion Tartlet

All served with a selection of
Mixed Leaves, Dressed Cucumber & TomatoSalad, Coleslaw,
Hot Buttered New Potatoes

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Raspberry Pavlova or Lemon Tarte garnished with Summer Berries or

Chocolate & Baileys Torte with a Vanilla Sauce

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Coffee and Mints

## Wine List

| <u>WHITE</u>  | Bottle |
|---|--------|
| Pierre Lacasse Chardonnay (France)                    | £14.95 |
| Rio Roca Sauvignon Blanc (Chile)                      | £15.95 |
| Pinot Grigio Garganega La Borgata (Italy)             | £18.95 |
| Chapel Down Bacchus (England)                         | £24.95 |
| Chablis Paul Delane (France)                          | £29.95 |
| <u>ROSÉ</u>   |        |
| Pink Orchid Zinfandel Rosé (Italy)                    | £16.95 |
| <u>RED</u>  |        |
| Rio Roca Merlot (Chile)                               | £14.95 |
| Euca Hill Shiraz (Australia)                          | £15.95 |
| Los Vinateros Rioja Crianza (Spain)                   | £18.95 |
| Neptune Point Pinot Noir (New Zealand)                | £24.95 |
| Cotes du Rhone 1er Terroir Chateau Beauchene (France) | £29.95 |

## CHAMPAGNE & SPARKLING WINE

| Bluebell Railway Massimiano Prosecco (Italy)                     | £22.95 |
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| Bluebell Vineyard Estates Classic Cuvée (England)                | £32.95 |
| Bluebell Vineyard Estates Blanc de Blancs (England)              | £32.95 |
| Bluebell Vineyard Estates Hindleap Rosé (England)                | £34.95 |
| Bluebell Railway Champagne (France)<br>Le Comber et Fils Brut NV | £44.95 |

## Finishing Touches

| Additional pedestal flower arrangements  | from £100.00 |
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| Decorated Gazebo for platform drinks or cutting of the cake  | £65.00       |
| Professional decorations for<br>The Birch Grove Suite  | from £60.00  |
| Additional table decorations on train  | from £6.00   |
| Place cards for Ceremony Room per 5  | £5.00        |
| Personally designed<br>Order of the Day cards per 60   | £100.00      |
| Wedding Invitations per 50 with envelopes  | £135.00      |
| Ribbons and bows on carriage doors   | £40.00       |
| Personalised headboard for the front of your train presented to you when you leave by your engine crew | £150.00      |
| Wedding gifts and favours  | from £7.00   |
| Bubbles  | £1.00        |
| Baskets of Petal Confetti $\chi$ 2   | £20.00       |
| Hire of cake-stand and knife   | £10.00       |

Cake boxes x10 £12.50

Personalised 'original' train tickets for your guests x 50 £50.00

Handbells rung after the ceremony £115.00

We are also able to recommend and arrange your wedding photographs, your cake, your wedding bouquet, vintage transport to and from the Railway, and local accommodation. Please ask for further details.

Should you wish for evening entertainment in either our function rooms or in a marquee at the Railway, please ask for our individual fees and recommended live music and discos.

We can also arrange a BBQ or a traditional hog-roast for you and your guests to enjoy later in the day.

## Hire Charges

## <u>2017& 2018</u>

| Civil Ceremony at Sheffield Park and<br>Charter of The Golden Arrow Pullman                                  | £5055.00 |
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| Civil Ceremony at Horsted Keynes and<br>Charter of The Golden Arrow Pullman                                  | £4730.00 |
| Civil Ceremony at Sheffield Park and<br>Charter of The Wealden Rambler set<br>for two round trips            | £4730.00 |
| Civil Ceremony at Horsted Keynes and<br>Charter of The Wealden Rambler set<br>for two round trips            | £4455.00 |
| Civil Ceremony at Horsted Keynes and<br>Charter of the Ashdown Lounge Car<br>for one round trip              | £2893.00 |
| Civil Ceremony at Horsted Keynes and<br>Charter of the Ashdown Lounge Car<br>for two round trips             | £3498.00 |
| Hire of The Birch Grove Suite for a Wedding Reception  | £500.00  |
| Hire of the Ceremony Room at Horsted Keynes in conjunction with a Wedding Reception in The Birch Grove Suite | £550.00  |

The previous Charter fees include the following:-

The services of an experienced Wedding Planner who will liaise personally with you from the outset.

Three floral decorations in the colour of your choice in the room in which your ceremony takes place.

Decorations at the entrance to the station.

Use of the CD player for your own music.

Personally designed Welcome Board and Seating Plan.

Fresh flowers on all tables on the train to match your colour scheme.

Individual place-cards on the train.

Personalised Menu Cards on the train.

No food or drink costs are included, and these details are shown separately.

To secure a booking, a deposit of the hire charge is required. Food costs are payable one month before the date of your wedding. All other costs will be invoiced after the event.

Whilst we welcome dogs at the ceremony at Horsted Keynes, we regret we are unable to accommodate them in The Birch Grove Suite or on any of the dining trains.

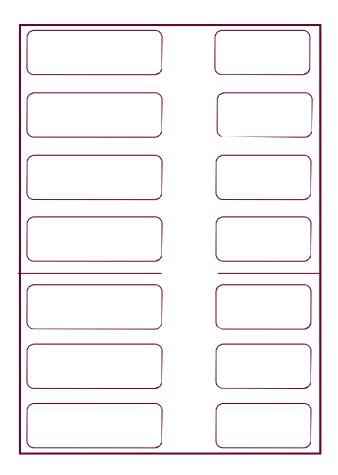
All our prices are correct at the time of printing.

However, the Bluebell Railway reserves the right to increase charges in line with variations in market prices should the need arise.

## Seating Plan for Lilian or Christine

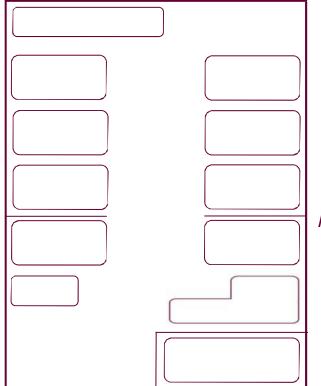
42 seats in each

Lilian was built in 1928 and used initially on the Queen of Scots service. Unlike most Pullmans which were placed in storage during the war, this car continued in service with the LNER between 1942 and 1946. It was last used in the Bournemouth Belle in 1967.



Built in 1928 Christine was originally built for use on the London-Harwich boat trains as a restaurant car. In the 1960s the carriage was refurbished, which included major structural repairs, and is now fully restored to as near as possible its 1920s condition.

## Seating Plan for Fingall 22 seats



Fingall was built in 1924 for the White Pullman, and re-appeared in the Golden Arrow after its war-time suspension.

The Bluebell railway purchased the near-derelict car in 1979 and it was fully restored thanks to thousands of hours of hard work by Bluebell volunteers. Seating is mainly at tables for two, and therefore the ideal place for the smaller function.

Restaurant Car 1674 was built in 1961 in Glasgow as a Buffet restaurant car for the Eastern Region of British Railways.

It has now been refitted copying the layout of the famous Bullied Tavern cars with a pub-style bar 'At the Sign of the White Horse'. It joined the Wealden Rambler set in 2014, having performed for two seasons as a temporary stand-in for Fingall in the Golden Arrow set.

## Seating Plan for Restaurant Car

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# Seating Plan for The Wealden Rambler <u>Ashdown Carriage</u>

42 seats

|  | The Ashdown carriage, built in 1955 for the Southern Region of British Railways, was reserved for boat train duties, principally on the Ocean Liner Express to convey First Class passengers from Waterloo to Southampton Docks to catch the trans-Atlantic liners. |  |
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| The Chelwood Carriage was for the London Midland British Railways, and used Anglo-Scottish Services, wh a much improved quality of restaurant-car accommod coupled to a catering | Region of mainly on the tere it provided funclassified lation when  |  |

# PICTURE GALLERY



Take a few minutes to browse through our pictures on the following pages to experience a taste of what we have to offer





