PENSHURST PLACE AND GARDENS

The Place for Your Event



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Testimonials

"Great venue and great customer service from all staff. A pleasure to deal with – and the food was delicious!"

Buy 2 Let Cars

"We found the overall service of both Penshurst Place and the caterer to be excellent in all areas. We were very pleased with the arrangements, which went without a hitch. Thank you"

Alison Weir Tours

"All we've heard from the clients is praise. Thank you so much for everything!!"

Brook Green

"A big heartfelt thanks from all the CRC ladies for such a superb day . Everything from the exquisite cuisine, service from the caterers, event team planning & support, The fabulous tour & of course the delightful setting was excellent. We absolutely loved the entire day!"

Private birthday celebration

"We had a very enjoyable time and the event went well. Lovely experience. Thank you.

Abigail's Footsteps

Why Penshurst is the Place

Penshurst Place is a privately-owned, historic house of medieval origin, nestled in Tudor gardens, providing a stunning location for a wide variety of events.

Located in the charming village of Penshurst, in countryside at the centre of the Weald of Kent, it provides a perfect escape from the hustle and bustle of city life. The house is only 32 miles from Central London, with easy links to transport hubs in the South-East of England.

In a history spanning almost seven centuries, Penshurst Place has been the setting for many a sumptuous event throughout its history. Kings, Queens, noblemen, great soldiers and poets have all dined within the walls of the medieval hall, which has been described as "one of the world's grandest rooms". Penshurst Place & Gardens has been the home of the Sidney family for over 465 years and has played host to guests from all over the world. Today, it is available for private hire, offering a majestic backdrop for your next event.

The rooms for hire are within the defended manor house, which dates back to 1341, and comprises the awe-inspiring Baron's Hall, the charming Sunderland Room and the cosy Buttery. For outside events, the parkland boasts the ultimate arena for outdoor pursuits and activity days.

Our long tradition of hospitality continues with our caterers, Seasoned Events, who pride themselves on producing innovative dishes using the finest local 4 ingredients.





Making Business a Pleasure

The landscape and architecture of Penshurst Place creates a spectacular setting to play host to a wide variety of events and functions.

Whether for business or pleasure we can provide a haven for:

- * Meetings, conferences, product launches, training, seminars, business breakfasts and team-building days
- * Banquets, formal dinners, balls, parties and champagne receptions
- * A wide range of outdoor pursuits including quad-biking, segways & 4x4 off-road driving
- Professionally organised country pursuits such as archery, clay pigeon shooting and geese-herding

We think we've covered everything, but if you are planning an event we haven't thought of, please let us know and we'll do what we can to bring it to fruition.

Our facilities:

- Wireless internet connection
- * Microphone and PA audio system
- Data projector and screens
- Helicopter landing facilities
- Extensive car parking

Corporate Events

Conferences

Providing a large screen, digital projector, PA & stereo system and wifi and connectivity points, hosting your conference at Penshurst Place is a truly unique way to meet with and present to business partners and audiences.

Product Launches

Surrounded by the opulent interiors of Penshurst Place, introduce key stakeholders and partners to your new product or service, complemented by a drinks reception or even some delicious canapés.

Networking Events

Meet and mingle with industry professionals in the medieval Baron's Hall or Elizabethan Sunderland Room. With room for up to 200 standing guests, our event rooms offer ample space to make key business connections and partnerships.





Team Building

Develop and foster fantastic working partnerships in your company with a team building event at Penshurst Place; whether you're looking to host an indoor or outdoor event, or simply to treat your staff to a great day out in our house and grounds followed by a delicious lunch, our team can advise the best ways to get the most out of our venue.

Staff Parties

Get your dancing shoes on and show off your skills on the dance floor with a staff party in the Baron's Hall or marquee, or enjoy an evening of fine dining in the Sunderland Room. A great way to let off steam from a year of working hard, our team will ensure your staff have a relaxing and enjoyable evening.

Parkland Events

Discover 2,500 acres of parkland and enjoy a myriad of country pursuits led by our partners, The Wright Event. With 4X4 experiences, clay pigeon shooting, archery and even goose herding available to try out, a parkland day at Penshurst Place is a truly unforgettable day out in the Kent countryside!



Occasions & Celebrations

Birthdays

Whether you're looking to celebrate your birthday with a lively disco in the Baron's Hall or winter marquee, or with an intimate private dining event with your friends and family, our array of banqueting rooms and dedicated event coordinators will ensure your next birthday is one you'll never forget!

Private Dining

Enjoy a delicious meal in the medieval and Elizabethan surrounds of our private dining room, with dishes delectably prepared by our in-house partners, Seasoned Events. Whatever style of dining or cuisine you're looking for, your tastes will be well-catered for in our historic banqueting rooms.

Baby Welcoming Services

A Baby Welcoming ceremony is a very special way of celebrating the birth or adoption of your child and welcoming the new arrival into your family. Penshurst Place can host Baby Welcoming ceremonies in any one of its delightful banqueting rooms.



Celebration of Life Services

Our venue provides a warm and intimate setting for celebration of life services and receptions. Surrounded by over 2,500 acres of unspoilt countryside, we offer a unique tranquil location to say goodbye to a loved one, in one of our three beautiful private rooms. Our experienced events team will ensure that your wishes for the proceedings are carried out to exacting standards and will be on-hand throughout the day.

Anniversaries

Celebrate your milestone anniversaries with us and enjoy space for dinner, drinks and dancing as you surround yourself with family and friends. Providing everything from hog roasts to fine dining, our team will ensure you enjoy an unforgettable evening.

Bespoke Events

As a privately-owned property, we pride ourselves on our flexibility to host any manner of occasion. Whether you're looking to host a themeddining experience, enjoy a meal in the ambience of a string quartet, or even discover your inner detective with a murder mystery evening, our events team will ensure your personal vision is bought to life in our historic banqueting and entertaining rooms.





Our Event Spaces

Estate & Parkland

We offer a large portfolio of activities to accompany your event, all of which are flexible to your corporate needs.

Clients can make use of our vast estate and parkland with outdoor pursuits including quad-biking, segways, falconry, fly fishing and archery amongst many others.

The Baron's Hall

With ample space for up to 140 guests for dining or 200 standing guests, the medieval Baron's Hall is a one of a kind entertaining space showcasing original features and a unique 60 feet high chestnut beamed ceiling. The Baron's Hall is open to the public on a daily basis from April to October inclusive, from 11.30am to 3.30pm and therefore is available for evening events only during these months. From mid-October to mid-May, a marquee can be provided for evening entertainment.





The Sunderland Room

Seating 100 people for dining and 140 standing guests, the Sunderland Room is a charming room, ideal for meetings, lunches, formal dinners and office Christmas dining.

Fine portraits from the family collection hang on the part-panelled and part-sandstone walls and the room has a light but mellow atmosphere, enhanced by a fire in the winter. The room can be partitioned by a heavy curtain to create two smaller spaces - ideal for a break-out space or a separate area for catering.

Event Marquees

Our winter season marquees are particularly suitable for formal dinners, balls, banquets, parties and champagne receptions, and with room for up to 160 seated guests, are our largest event spaces

All marquees supplied are heated and carpeted, and are fully lined with ivory-swagging creating a luxurious backdrop. Up-lighters can be used throughout the marquee and help create a soft, ambient, atmosphere for evening events, where a dance-floor can also be laid if required.

The Buttery

Ideal for smaller dining parties of up to 30 people, and once the bottle storeroom of the medieval household, the Buttery is adjacent to the Baron's Hall. Its sandstone walls, hung with rich 17th century tapestries, create a warm and cosy atmosphere, enhanced by an open log fire in winter.







Fine Dining

Whether dining in the medieval Baron's Hall, historic Sunderland Room or luxurious heated marquee, our catering partners, Seasoned Events can provide bespoke menus and paired wines to suit any event.

Sourcing ingredients and produce from local Kent and Sussex suppliers, Seasoned Events pride themselves in creating meals and dining experiences to the highest standards, with options to suit most budgets.

Whether you're looking for a best of British collection, international cuisine or to sample Penshurst favourites, the Seasoned Events dining team will be happy to meet with you prior to your event and go through any questions or queries you may have.

As well as having a dedicated member of our own team and our partner catering team on-hand throughout your event, you will also be provided with:

- Table linen
- Crockery, cutlery and glassware
- 6 waiters when serving tables of up to 12 guests
- A fully stocked cash or paid bar





Casual Dining

Not all events require or suit a fine-dining option. For those enjoying team building activities or parkland pursuits, we often find a more relaxed option is just what they fancy!

Whether it's a hog roast, BBQ or a hot or cold buffet, Seasoned Events can provide a plethora of options for casual dining to suit any event size.

Of course, casual dining sometimes requires some fun, casual drinks too, so if it's iced buckets filled with bottled beer, kegs of locally brewed cider, or even some bespoke cocktails you're after, Seasoned Events can source and provide a fantastic variety of alcoholic and soft drinks choices for you and your guests.



Room Capacities and Specifications

The Baron's Hall

Dining on round tables	140
Theatre style	140
Standing reception	200
Cabaret style	70
Dimensions	19 metres x 12 metres
	(62 feet x 39 feet)
Features	Central hearth, plentiful natural daylight, wifi

The Sunderland Room

Dining on round tables	100
Theatre style	125
Standing reception	140
Cabaret style	56
Boardroom	32
Classroom	30
U-shape	26
Dimensions	17 metres x 6 metres
	(56 feet x 20 feet)
Features	Real fire, plentiful natural daylight, dimmers & spotlights, wifi

The Buttery

Dining on round tables	30
Theatre style	40
Standing reception	50
Cabaret style	21
Boardroom	16
Dimensions	7 metres x 6.7 metres
	(23 feet x 22 feet)
Features	Real fires, plentiful natural daylight, wifi

Contact Us

For further information please contact our Banqueting Department:

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How to Find Us

By Car From M25 junction 5, follow A21 to Hastings, leaving at Hildenborough exit.

From M20/ M26 junction 2a, follow A25 (towards Sevenoaks) and then A21 for Hastings, then as above.

Local approaches are well signposted with brown tourist signs For private events entry is via the private entrance on B2176 Sat-nav reference TN11 8DH

By Public Transport Train from London Charing Cross or Redhill to Tonbridge, then taxi to Penshurst (6 miles). Train from London Charing Cross to Tunbridge Wells or Victoria station to Edenbridge then bus (231 & 233; see www.arrivabus.co.uk for times Monday - Saturdays).

Please note: Penshurst train station is approximately a $2\frac{1}{2}$ mile walk from Penshurst Place, on roads with no footpaths or street lighting.

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