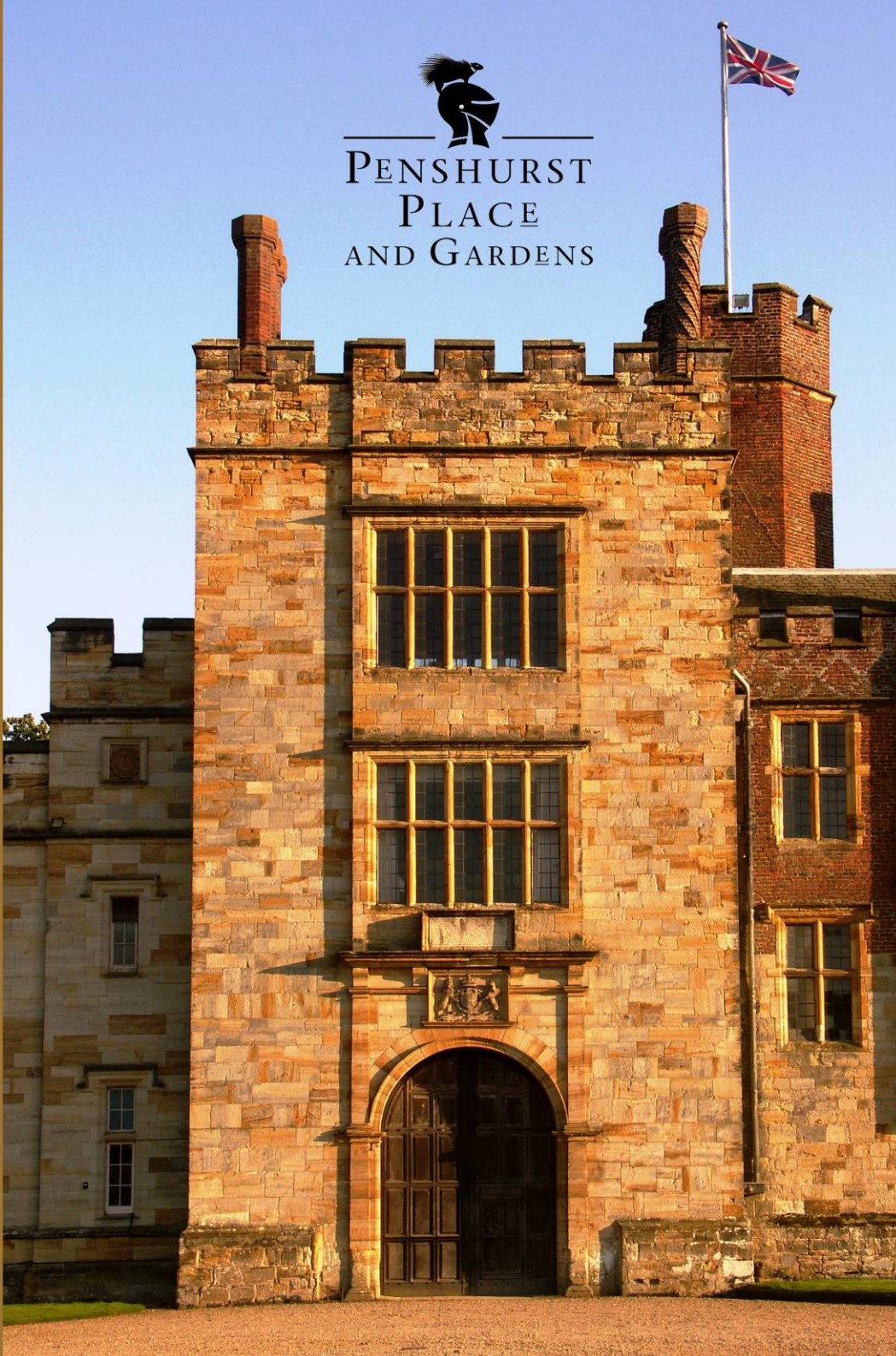


The Place for Your Events



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Testimonials



- “ On behalf of the team at Samsung I would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to the staff at Penshurst for their outstanding efforts during our event. From our arrival on to our departure you did so much to welcome the group and assure our guests were always looked after. I express my gratitude on a job superbly performed and again thank you for your hard work and patience in helping us deliver a fabulous event for our guests. ” **SAMSUNG**
- “ May we extend a sincere thank you for the splendid welcome and warm hospitality that we enjoyed at Penshurst Place. The care and attention that was directed towards our guests in the exquisite setting of Penshurst Place was a great reminder of the great history and beauty that lies within our county. The delicious food was also a marvellous advertisement for Kentish produce! ” **THE DIOCESE OF CANTERBURY**
- “ We are having wonderful feedback from our clients this morning, all of whom really enjoyed the evening. A big thank you to all the staff for facilitating this and ensuring everything worked smoothly. The canapés were very tasty and there was plenty of wine! It was a lovely evening, in a very special place. ” **CHARLES STANLEY**
- “ Helpful and professional staff provided an outstanding event. ” **VOLVO**

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 spectrum 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 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 460 years and has played host to guests from all over the world. Today, it is also 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.

The long tradition of hospitality continues with our caterers, Leith's - famous for their standards of excellence in cuisine and service - offering a wide range for fine dining.









Making Business a Pleasure








The landscape and architecture of Penshurst Place create 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 help!

Facilities we have:

-  Wireless internet connection
-  Microphone and PA audio/sound combiner
-  Data projector and screens
-  Helicopter landing facilities
-  Extensive car parking

The Baron's Hall



The medieval Baron's Hall is an impressive space at the heart of Penshurst Place, particularly suited to dinners, banquets, parties and receptions. Completed in 1341, the Baron's Hall is the main feature of the original House and one of the best preserved examples of gothic, domestic architecture in England. Its stunning 18-metre-high chestnut-beamed roof spans a space steeped in history and elegance, giving a sense of occasion and feeling of grandeur.

The Baron's Hall can be hired privately, providing an ideal backdrop for events with character and class.

The hall has a rare, octagonal central hearth which can be lit where guest numbers allow, creating a unique focal point. The hall is subtly lit and candelabra at each window create an air of timeless quality. The space is overlooked by the Minstrels' Gallery - the perfect vantage point to over-see the revelry below and a dance-floor can be laid with space for DJs or musicians.

Please note that the Baron's Hall is open to the public on a daily basis from April to October inclusive, from 12 noon to 4pm and therefore is available for evening events only during these months. From mid-October to mid-May, a marquee is provided for evening entertainment.



Maximum capacities:	
For dining on round tables	136
Theatre style	200
Standing reception	250
Cabaret style	70
Dimensions	19m x 12m (62' x 39')
Features	Central hearth Natural daylight Dais Wireless internet connection



The Sunderland Room



The Sunderland Room is a charming room, ideal for meetings, lunches, formal dinners and office Christmas dining.

The room is part of the original House and is the medieval east solar. It was originally used for dignitaries retiring at the end of the evening. During the 17th century it became the private lodgings of Lady Dorothy Sidney, the Countess of Sunderland, after which the room is named.

Today 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.

Maximum capacities:	
For dining on round tables	100
Theatre style	125
Standing reception	140
Cabaret style	56
Boardroom	32
Classroom	30
U-shape	26
Dimensions	17m x 6m (56' x 20')
Other features	Real fire Natural daylight Dimmers & spotlights Wireless internet connection



The Buttery



Once the bottle storeroom of the medieval household, the Buttery is adjacent to 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.

It is a delightful contrast to the grandeur of the Baron's Hall and is often used as a bar area for functions hosted there, but is also a perfect space for smaller events such as intimate lunches and dinners and small business meetings.



Maximum capacities:	
For dining on round tables	30
Theatre style	40
Standing reception	50
Cabaret style	21
Boardroom	16
Dimensions	7m x 6.7m (23' x 22')
Other features	Real fire Natural daylight Wireless internet connection



The Garden Restaurant



Our refurbished Garden Restaurant, adjacent to the house and close to the banqueting rooms, serves morning teas and coffee, a delicious selection of hot and cold lunches, cakes and Penshurst Place cream teas.

It is self-service and a licensed premises. Seating is available inside and outside on the terrace looking overlooking the house. This can provide the perfect break-out lunchtime space during the winter, when we are closed to the public. It seats 84.



Event Marquees



In the winter months, we are happy to offer the opportunity of a marquee within the grounds of Penshurst Place for events. Our marquees are particularly suitable for formal dinners, balls, banquets, parties and champagne receptions.

All marquees supplied are well heated and carpeted, and are fully lined with ivory-swagging creating a luxurious backdrop. Up-lighters lining the marquee provide soft, atmospheric lighting for evening events. A dance-floor can also be laid, if required.

Marquee hire also includes use of the banqueting rooms; the candle-lit Baron's Hall for a drinks reception around the central hearth, the Buttery if a separate bar area is required and the Sunderland Room for dining.

Between mid-October and mid-May, a marquee can be supplied in our secluded Inner Courtyard to seat up to 160 guests for dining and dancing. The marquee is connected to the Baron's Hall via a covered walkway. Between early November and mid February, a marquee can be supplied on our South Lawn, over-looking the formal gardens, to seat up to 300 guests for dining.



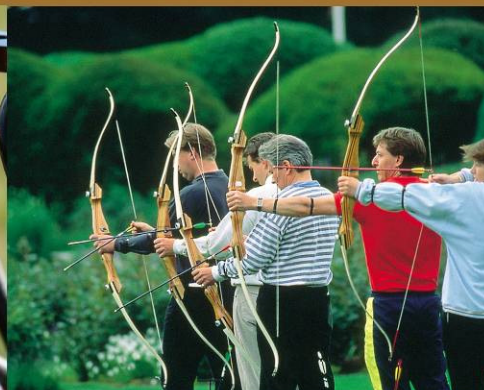


Estate & Parkland



Penshurst Place is proud to offer a 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.



Catering



Penshurst Place has been the setting for sumptuous entertainment throughout its seven centuries of history. Kings, queens, noblemen, soldiers and poets have dined within the walls of this medieval stately home. Today, the centuries long tradition of hospitality continues with our appointed caterer, Leith's, famous for their standard of excellence in cuisine and service and complemented by fine wines from their cellar.

Founded by Prue Leith in 1972 and now part of the Compass Group UK and Ireland, Leith's menus are based on Prue's original philosophy of simplicity and quality combining only the best ingredients to create imaginative, flexible menus for all types of events.

Leith's event menus offer breakfasts, sandwich lunches, finger buffets, fork buffets and formal dining. Please ask a member of our Banqueting & Events team if you would like a copy of the current menus.

For other guidance and catering queries please contact:

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LEITH'S



At Your Service



Our dedicated Banqueting & Events Team, as well as being present on the day to ensure your event runs seamlessly, can assist with finding suppliers of support services, such as:

-  Musicians to suit your taste and budget...a string quartet...a disco...a Ceilidh?
-  Medieval jugglers, jesters and musicians
-  Firework displays
-  For a unique twist, a tour of the State Rooms for your guests may be added to most events, which begin in Baron's Hall and take the visitor through centuries of architectural and family history

We are able to offer a personally tailored package to suit individual requirements. Please do not hesitate to contact our Banqueting & Events Team for availability and a bespoke quote.



Find Us



BY CAR

FROM M25 JUNCTION 5, follow A21 to Hastings, leaving at Hildenborough exit, then follow brown tourist signs to Penshurst Place.

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.

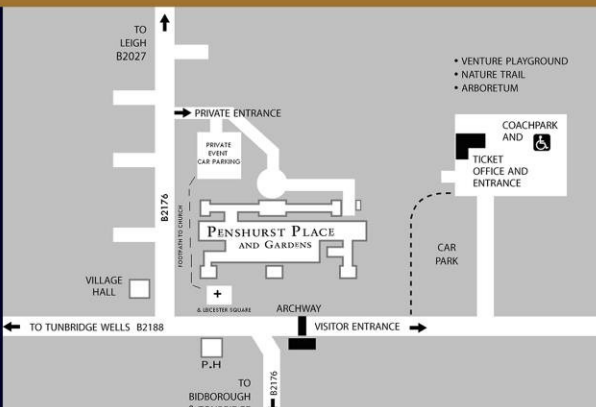
For private events entry is via the PRIVATE ENTRANCE on B2176 as marked on map below, sat nav reference TN11 8DH.

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 2½ mile walk from Penshurst Place, on roads with no footpaths or street lighting.





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