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IN CUMBRIA AND THE LAKES





CUMBRIA IS A COUNTY OF GREAT NATURAL BEAUTY...



Welcome to Cumbria Ceremonies, we hope you enjoy reading through our brochure "Say I Will" in Cumbria and the Lakes.

We are the third largest county in England by size but are also one of the most sparsely populated.

This can be seen by the unspoilt and natural beauty of the county.

We have something here for everyone from history and heritage, with lots of lovely market towns and the city of Carlisle, to a beautiful and rugged coastline including the Marina in Whitehaven. There are magnificent mountains including Scafell Pike which is the highest point in England and of course The Lake District National Park which includes the western and southern lakes as well as the well known central lakes.



Cumbria Ceremonies Team

We will guide you through the processes and help you to make your ceremony special whether you want to be unique, traditional, or simple and sincere. Our team of ceremony staff are passionate about providing an experience you will treasure.



IN 2017 UNESCO AWARDED THE LAKE DISTRICT WORLD HERITAGE STATUS

## REMONY



To have your special ceremony against such a beautiful backdrop is a dream for any couple and in the midst of this natural beauty you can celebrate your big day in exactly the way you dreamed of. Many Approved Venues and hotels can host not just the ceremony, but also your reception.

Whether you chose a ceremony in a Registration Office or an Approved Venue, in Cumbria we can offer some of the best venues in the country. With over 160 Approved Venues to choose from, including stately homes, historic buildings, first class hotels and Registration Offices which provide charming settings for civil weddings.

More and more people are choosing to be married or form a civil partnership outdoors. Legal ceremonies are now allowed to take place outdoors or in a temporary or moveable structure, such as marquees, boats and more. providing they are on approved licensed premises.

Our staff will be happy to discuss any ideas that you have to make your ceremony unique to you.

Wherever, and however, you decide to celebrate your special day, from traditional and stylish to themed or more unusual, you will be guaranteed the ultimate venue and spectacular backdrop.

You can stay at large, luxurious hotels and cosy, family-run B&Bs, to well equipped camping and caravan parks and self-catering cottages. Whatever your choice you can be sure of a warm welcome, great service and picturesque

Not only is Cumbria the perfect place for your wedding but also your honeymoon. Reflect on your big day surrounded by beautiful lakes and mountains. The perfect location to enjoy your first happy days of married life together, with memories that will last a lifetime.

## YOUR CEREMONY

#### AT A REGISTRATION OFFICE OR APPROVED VENUE



All civil ceremonies, either in a Registration Office or Approved Venue, are arranged through the Registration Service. However, it is the responsibility of the couple to book the Approved Venue.

Our Registration Offices are all different in character and capacity, and our Ceremonies Team know how to make your day really special, priding themselves on making each ceremony a unique experience to treasure.

Please feel free to discuss any ideas of your own with the Ceremonies Team prior to the day.

In a civil marriage there are certain words prescribed by law, which you must say, known as declaratory and contracting words. In a civil partnership, it is optional whether these words are said out loud. However, there are various ways of personalising your ceremony, such as additional vows which may be added after the contractual words have been spoken.

You must provide two witnesses, who may be either friends or relatives. It is advisable that they should be over the age of 18, and are able to understand English as well as the significance of the ceremony they are witnessing.

They will be asked to sign the marriage schedule or civil partnership schedule at the end of the ceremony.

#### Please note:

On this special day please help us and other couples who are holding a ceremony on the same day by arriving at the Registration Office or Approved Venue, at the appropriate time.

The groom/partner is expected 30 minutes before the ceremony and the bride/partner should arrive 15 minutes before the start. The Registration Service staff will often need to attend other ceremonies on the day.

Should the services of an interpreter be required, please contact the Ceremonies Team for advice.



#### **OUR BESPOKE SERVICE**

Have you ever wanted to have a ceremony by a lake, under the stars or in a private garden?

Our friendly team will advise of the options available to allow you to create a personalised ceremony to take place at a venue or location of your choice whilst ensuring that all the legalities of a Civil Marriage Ceremony or Civil Partnership are met.

We are happy to lend our experience and expertise to create your own special day and turn your ceremony dreams into a reality, this can include:

Outdoor Ceremonies
Twilight Ceremonies
Themed Ceremonies
Woodland Ceremonies
Lakeside Terrace Ceremony
Marquee in a private garden

Please note: if the ceremony is to take place anywhere other than an approved venue, the location must have public liability insurance in place and may need to be inspected before a ceremony can be approved.

#### What is included?

- Your legal marriage ceremony or Civil Partnership
- Options available for your ceremony or Civil Partnership to be held at a licensed venue or at one of our service points across Cumbria
- A personalised ceremony script including 'your story', readings, personalised vows, ceremony gestures or musical performances to suit your wishes
- A longer ceremony time of up to 60 minutes
- A meeting with your ceremony officer prior to the ceremony
- A Commemorative certificate signed by your witnesses presented to you as a keepsake of your special day.

#### Not included:

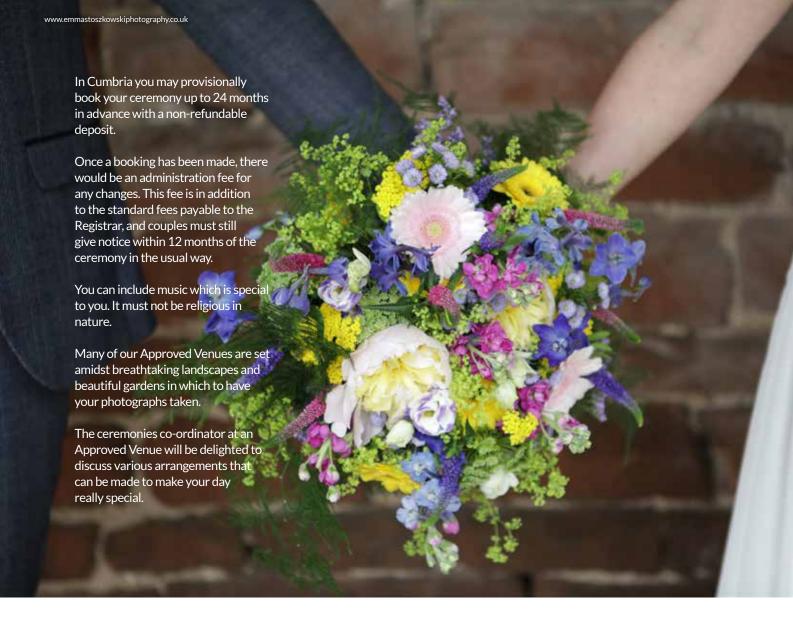
Statutory fees payable for the legal preliminaries for Notice of Marriage, Civil Partnership or Legal Certificates.

#### What if my chosen venue doesn't have a licence to hold weddings?

If your chosen venue doesn't have a licence, our Bespoke Ceremony options allow for a legal Ceremony to be carried out at a register office either on the same day or on an alternative day followed by a unique event allowing you to Celebrate in Style.

#### How do I book?

Please call us on: **0300 303 2472** to discuss your requirements.



Ceremonies at Approved Venues follow a similar format to those in the Registration Offices. To arrange a ceremony at an Approved Venue you must first contact the premises of your choice to make provisional arrangements and check that they have availability.

It is advisable to request three or four alternative dates and times, as it is not always possible to accommodate your first choice. You must then contact the Ceremonies Team to ensure that a member of the team is able to attend your ceremony on that date and time. Information about formal notice can be given to you at the time of booking.

The current Approved Venues are listed at the back of this brochure and you could also visit our website at www.cumbria.gov.uk/registration

## CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS

#### PLANNING YOUR CIVIL PARTNERSHIP IN CUMBRIA

Civil Partnerships have now been extended to all couples from December 2019.

Civil Partnerships are available to both same-sex couples and opposite sex couples. Whereas a marriage is formed by vows, a civil partnership is formed by the signing of a civil partnership document.

Registering a civil partnership will give your relationship legal recognition. This will give you added legal rights and pension benefits, as well as responsibilities.

You can celebrate the formation of your civil partnership in any of our licensed premises or register offices in Cumbria.

#### How far in advance can I make a booking?

A legal notice of the formation of a civil partnership is valid for twelve months. However, in Cumbria you are able to make a provisional booking for the formation of your partnership, up to two years in advance.

Please note that there is a nonrefundable deposit payable at the time of booking.

#### **Legal Preliminaries**

Before you can form your civil partnership, there are certain formalities which are required under law. You must both attend the Register Office in the district in which you live to inform them of your

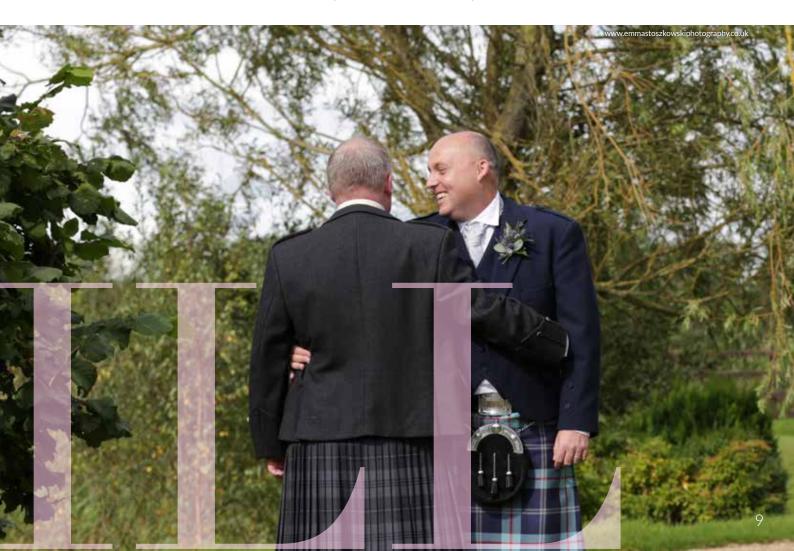
intention to form a civil partnership. This is called giving notice and you must attend in person.

You will each be required to give an individual notice.

After giving notice you must allow at least 28 clear days before the formation can take place. Your civil partnership formation must then take place within twelve months of the date you gave at the notice.

#### Fees and charges

Fees are dependent on the day of the week. Please contact us for more information.





Each couple must give notice. Giving notice means making a legal declaration that you are both free to marry each other or form a civil partnership and you will need to provide certain documents and prove this when doing so.

Although you may have a civil ceremony in any district within England and Wales, you must give notice to the Registrar in the district where you live.

When you wish to give formal notice you will need to make an appointment at the appropriate office and it will take approximately half an hour to an hour to complete.

When you attend your appointment you and your partner will need to provide information including proof of age, nationality and evidence you are free to marry or form a civil partnership. You will also need to provide documents that prove your identity.

When you book an appointment our officers will advise you of what you need to bring with you.

For more detailed information please visit our website www.cumbria.gov.uk/registration

If either of you are under 18, the Registrar will give you forms that must be completed by a parent or legal guardian. If you are in any doubt about the paperwork required, please contact a member of our Ceremonies Team for further advice.

Whilst you can book your ceremony more than a year in advance, your notice of intent can only be given within one year of the date. Our Ceremony Team can advise you of the minimum number of days in advance you may give your notice. Once the notice of intent has been given, your details will be publicly displayed at the Register Office for 28 days.

However, for administrative purposes we recommend you allow a minimum of eight weeks.

There is a minimum period between giving notice and getting married or forming a civil partnership – please ask our Ceremony Team for further details.

Both of you must give notice and this must be done in person at the appropriate Registration Office. In general, notice must be given in the district where you live.

If you both live in the same district a joint appointment should be made with your local office. If you live in separate districts, but still within England or Wales then you should make individual appointments with your local Registration Office, if possible around the same date.

You must be resident in the district where you give notice for the preceding eight days prior to the appointment and on the ninth day you will be free to give notice.

If you wish to have a ceremony in a district where you do not live, you will need to contact both the venue and the Registrar of that district to make arrangements, and agree the date and time of your ceremony. Once you have done this you can then give your notice to marry or form a civil partnership to the Registrar in the district where you live.

The Registrar will tell you when your marriage authority or schedule will be issued.

If you are getting married or forming a civil partnership in another district, please advise the Registrar where to send your authorities.

## Please be aware that some special conditions may apply in the following cases:

- Either party is not a British Citizen
- If the marriage/civil partnership is to take place outside of England or Wales
- Or if either party is resident outside of England or Wales.

If any of the above applies to you or your partner please contact one of our Registration Offices for further advice.

#### **Immigration Control**

If one or both of you is subject to immigration control you will need to follow special procedures. You will need to give notice at a specially designated Registration Office.

For further information, you can contact us on 0300 303 2472 or email registrationservice@cumbria.gov.uk

Most importantly, please note that it is your responsibility to arrange the following:

- To book any Approved Venue and arrange the details of the day
- To ensure that the legal formalities are completed in sufficient time to allow the ceremony to proceed.





#### STORRS HALL



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#### THE BELSFIELD HOTEL

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Lindeth Howe is a 35 bedroom hotel based on the outskirts of Bowness On Windermere.

Built in 1879 and being formerly owned by Beatrix Potter we have a unique history that will capture the imagination of your guests.

All the team here pride themselves on creating the perfect day for you.

We believe that each wedding day should be as unique as you are, we work with you to make your day perfect.

From our Simply you and me package for just you and your beloved to a full exclusive use takeover for up to 120 and everything in between, we can make your day as perfect as your love for each other.

Licenced for Civil Ceremonies including outdoor ceremonies in our 6 acre private gardens

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#### **BLAITHWAITE HOUSE**

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#### LAKES HOTEL & SPA

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- Penthouse Suite with Roof Top Hot Tub overlooking the Lake
  - Bespoke Packages with Accommodation





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#### PUNCH BOWL INN & RESTAURANT



The Punch Bowl Inn offers a relaxed, informal, chic and stylish wedding venue. If you are looking for something away from the ordinary, this is a perfect venue, small and exclusive.

Our restaurant, lounge and bar dining room are licensed for civil ceremonies. The restaurant seats a maximum of 42 for a wedding breakfast and can cater for up to 70 for a buffet







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#### CROWN AND MITRE HOTEL



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#### BROADOAKS COUNTRY HOUSE

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#### WORDSWORTH HOUSE & GARDEN



Wordsworth House is a truly romantic setting, the house and gardens are yours for the 'big' day. The birthplace of one of the world's leading poets, with its elegant and charming walled gardens. Ceremonies can take place in the dining room with 40 guests, the upstairs drawing room, in front of the open fire in the atmospheric kitchen or even in the garden.

The house and garden are exclusively yours for your special day. For larger receptions, packages are available with the award-winning independent Trout Hotel next door.



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#### ROSE CASTLE



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#### HUNDITH HILL HOTEL

#### LORTON VALE, COCKERMOUTH CA13 9TH

An impressive Country House Hotel located on the outskirts of Cockermouth - one of Cumbria's premier wedding venues.

Set in mature maintained grounds with magnificent views of the Lorton Vale and Lakeland Fells, Hundith Hill Hotel truly is the ideal venue for your dream wedding.

Licensed for civil ceremonies in a variety of rooms, or outside in the pergola with a superb backdrop of the valley.

Dedicated staff to assist you through your special day's events.



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#### ASKHAM HALL



Askham Hall is a magical place to say 'I do'! We make each couple's special day as unique as you are. Our venue is majestic yet tranquil, hidden in a secluded part of the idyllic Lake District. A 13th century grade I listed hideaway and the former home of the Earls of Lonsdale, offering unpretentious luxury.

We provide a warm welcome in a historic, rural setting. An award-winning family-run venue with 19 bedrooms, a Michelin starred restaurant, gardens, access to a nearby health barn, wedding barn, medieval hall and garden pavilion. Catering options available, using produce grown and reared at Askham Hall itself and on the family estate.







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#### TOWN HEAD ESTATE

## TOWN HEAD, NEWBY BRIDGE, ULVERSTON LA12 8NP

Set in 130 acres of private parkland on the shores of Lake Windermere, Town Head Estate offers the most breath-taking location for your wedding day.

At Town Head, you have the freedom to create your dream day. Choose from a wedding in the Barn, a marquee in the grounds, a ceremony by the lake or an elopement in the Boat House. With ten bedrooms on site, it provides the perfect setting for your exclusive wedding.











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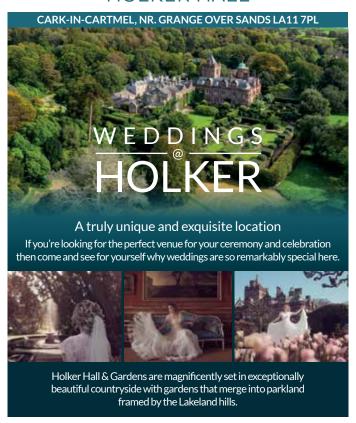








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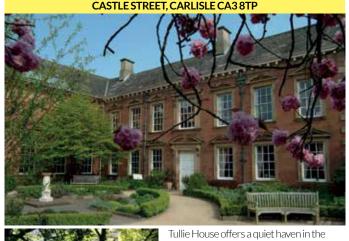


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#### TULLIE HOUSE



City centre, with stunning gardens and

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all guests are catered for.

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Licensed for ceremonies and able to carry your celebrations late into the evening. We offer bespoke packages to match your requirements and budgets, from intimate weddings to large celebrations. Our chefs will work with you to design menus based on your tastes and make sure



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#### THE GRANGE HOTEL









#### COCKERMOUTH TOWN HALL



Cockermouth Town Hall is a beautiful Grade II Listed Building adjacent to the River Cocker in the heart of the Gem Town, Cockermouth.

Licensed for Civil Ceremonies, our Council Chamber is perfect for intimate weddings for up to 52 guests.

For further information please contact Kirstie Goodger or Amy Pattinson.

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#### THE VILLA LEVENS



Nestled in the heart of the beautiful parkland, The Villa Levens is a 4 Star, award-winning hotel in the South Lakes. Accommodating as few as 2 or as many as 250 guests, this is the perfect venue for weddings or occasions. The Villa Levens has several function rooms, 14 acres of rolling parkland, a 2 AA Rosetted Restaurant and 22 luxurious en-suite bedrooms.





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#### ROUNDTHORN COUNTRY HOUSE



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### Roundthorn

#### **EDEN BARN**



Eden Barn is an exclusive and family run venue that will immerse your guests in the charm of Cumbria's Eden Valley. Exchange vows in our rustic stone barn with its waterfall lights, or beneath our handcrafted outdoor pavilion with its stunning scenic backdrop.

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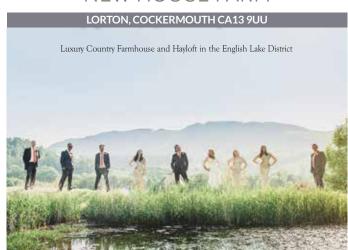


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#### **BELMOUNT HALL**



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#### **HOWGILLS BARN**



Howgills Barn is set in 5 acres of stunning countryside in the South Lakes & Yorkshire Dales. We offer midweek intimate weddings in a truly unique venue, that you can personalise to suit your style. With accommodation for up to 35, why not extend the celebrations with your guests?

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#### **GHYLL BARN**





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#### SHED 1 DISTILLERY



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#### **GREENHILL HOTEL**

#### RED DIAL, WIGTON CA7 8LS





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Built in 1804 as a private residence, this beautiful, imposing, red sandstone mansion is situated in 9 acres of parkland offering a quiet and peaceful setting for marriages and wedding reception..

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#### WINDERMERE JETTY MUSEUM

#### RAYRIGG ROAD, WINDERMERE LA23 1BN

Are you looking for a wedding day setting with a unique style, spectacular location, lake access and delicious food?

At Windermere Jetty Museum we specialise in contemporary, small weddings with stunning photo opportunities.



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#### WINDERMERE JETTY MUSEUM

#### YEW TREE FARM WEDDINGS

#### CONISTON, CUMBRIA LA218DP

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We are fully licensed and offer full weekend wedding use. Included in our wedding package is our stunning 90ft traditional 17th Century Wedding barn and farmhouse. Once owned by Beatrix Potter and famously featuring in the film 'Miss Potter' It's no surprise we are one of the most iconic farms in the Lakes, making it a truly unforgettable place in which to say, 'I do.'



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#### NEWBY BRIDGE, LAKE WINDERMERE LA12 8AT Whether Just the Two of You or up to 80 guests, our unique location combined with superb food and great hospitality will make your wedding unforgettable. Get married overlooking the lake, hold your drinks reception on our landscaped lawns leading down to the water's edge a truly spectacular setting.



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LAKESIDE HOTEL & SPA LAKE WINDERMERE





## Late to the party?

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## OUTDOOR CEREMONIES



More and more people are now choosing to be married or form a civil partnership outdoors. Until recently, civil marriages had to take place inside or under a permanent licenced structure. Due to a change in legislation we are now able to conduct ceremonies at licenced premises in their outdoor areas without the need for a licenced structure. The areas still have to be prior approved before any legal ceremony, so please speak to your venue regarding the outside areas available. If your venue does not hold an approved venue licence, please speak to us about a Bespoke package.

Please remember that, with the great British summer being what it is, it will not always be possible to hold a ceremony outdoors due to inclement weather, which may include rain, wind or even very hot and sunny conditions with no shade.

It will be the Registrars' decision on the day whether the ceremony can take place outdoors. They will need to consider the safety and wellbeing of the guests as well as the protection of the Schedule, which is the only official record of the ceremony.

Please do not let it spoil your day if the ceremony cannot take place outdoors for whatever reason. Make sure you have a back-up plan and select another room at the venue and remember, it should be big enough to accommodate all your guests.

## REMEMBER REMEMBER

- Payment for any ceremony is required in advance, 12 weeks prior to the day
- If the ceremony will take place within 12 weeks, full payment is required at the time of booking
- It is the responsibility of the couple to book, and confirm, dates and arrangements with Approved Venues, and to pay any fees due to the premises
- It is the couple's responsibility to ensure that the legal formalities and notices are complete and that you have obtained the necessary authorities before your ceremony

- Any rights of copyright for music, readings, etc., permitted at the ceremony are a matter for you and the venue
- A booking cannot be made unless you are legally free to marry or form a civil partnership (i.e. divorced or granted a dissolution) and are in receipt of any papers to prove this
- Whilst every effort will be made to make sure your ceremony starts on time, you should appreciate that circumstances beyond the control of the Registration Service staff may occasionally cause delays.
- It is very important that you and your guests arrive in good time, at least 30 minutes before the start of your ceremony. This will allow you to be interviewed before the ceremony and for your guests to be seated. The Registrar will see you privately, either together or separately, to check details and final arrangements.
- We make every effort to perform the ceremony at the time stated.
   As our staff may have other ceremonies after yours, any unnecessary delays may result in them having to leave to attend other ceremonies.

Unfortunately, the Registration Service cannot accept responsibility for any delays beyond its control.

If you need to discuss any of these points or have any other questions, please contact the Ceremonies Team on 0300 303 2472 or email: registrationservice@cumbria.gov.uk



#### COPY CERTIFICATES

Couples often require more than one copy of their marriage or civil partnership certificate, primarily for legal purposes. Certificates are no longer issued on the day of the ceremony, these can be purchased after the ceremony through the Registration Office in the district where your ceremony took place or direct from the General Register Office.

Don't forget you may need to change your passport. Check with your travel agent or the country's consulate if you are travelling abroad for your honeymoon. You can change your passport details at any time within three months before the ceremony, although you will not be able to use it, until after your ceremony. For further information, please check www.gov.uk

Certificate orders for ceremonies that take place in Cumbria by calling our ceremony team 0300 303 2427

#### **MUSIC**

You can choose your own recorded music to be played upon entrance of the bride/partners, at the signing of the register and as an exit from the ceremony. Music and/or readings must be approved prior to your ceremony by the ceremonies team via the ceremony planner. Recorded music must be supplied by the couple and played on your own device, or arrangements for playing made prior to the ceremony with the venue. Music which has any religious connotations or is deemed inappropriate for a civil ceremony will not be permitted. Cumbria County Council are not responsible for

#### WITNESSES

You need to provide at least two witnesses over 18 years of age at your ceremony. They may be relatives, friends or colleagues who must be able to speak and understand English and also the significance of the ceremony.

#### PARKING

The availability of parking varies at each Registration Office. For further information, please contact the Ceremonies Team. Most Approved Venues have ample parking.

#### **PHOTOS**

Official photographers are welcome to take photographs before and after the formal ceremony, however it is important that all ceremonies begin on time, without delays as a result of photographs being taken.

All photography, professional or otherwise, is by the permission of the presiding Ceremonies Officers and must be agreed prior to the start of the ceremony.

It is permitted to photograph the couple as they enter, during the exchange of ring(s) and the first kiss. Flashguns may only be used with the consent of the Ceremonies Team.



#### **VIDEO**

Video recording is at the discretion of the Ceremonies Team. Only one video camera to be used and the person recording the event should remain in one position. Any cameras or video equipment must be battery operated only.

#### **MOBILE PHONES**

Your guests will be asked to ensure that their mobile phones or electrical devices are silent or turned off during the ceremony.

#### CONFETTI

Confetti is a familiar part of any wedding, but please ask your guests not to throw confetti inside the building!

#### NO SMOKING

Cumbria County Council has a no smoking policy on all its premises and this includes all Registration Offices, ceremony rooms, car parks and grounds.

#### **INSURANCE**

If, for whatever reason, you need to change your plans, it could be extremely expensive. We would recommend you take out the appropriate insurance.

#### **TIMING**

We require where possible that the groom/partner is at the venue a minimum of half an hour before the ceremony. The bride/partner 15 minutes before the allocated starting time.

For couples who may be staying/ changing at the venue, we would ask you to ensure that you are fully dressed with hair/makeup completed 30 minutes prior to the ceremony for the interview with the registrar.

#### **ANIMALS**

Animals or birds are not permitted in any register office. The use of any animal or birds at a ceremony in a licensed venue is at the discretion of the owner/manager of the premises. We must be advised in writing of the use of any animal or bird in a ceremony at least 6 weeks in advance.

If you need to discuss any of these points or have any other questions, please contact the Ceremonies Team on 0300 303 2472



## 24 MONTHS

You can now make your booking for your wedding/civil partnership.



#### 6 MONTHS

Arrange transport Begin thinking about your gift list Choose your florist and place order Wedding Invitations Order stationery Finalise honeymoon arrangements.



Contact Registrar to arrange to give notice Research wedding professionals (photographers, DJ's, florists) Set Budget Choose theme and style.



#### 9 MONTHS

Prepare play list Register wedding gifts Book photographer/video, caterers Book your honeymoon Decide on best man, bridesmaids, page boys, ushers and start making the guest list Take out insurance Email save the date cards Say yes to your dress or get suited and booted.

## 4 MONTHS

Buy ring/rings Organise stag/hen parties Choose reception menu and order cake



#### 3 MONTHS

Go over final honeymoon arrangements and check your passport is up to date Book overnight hotel if necessary Send out invitations/gift list Send lists of local accommodation to guests who may need it Buy attendants' presents Buy your going away outfit

Contact the Registration Service to pay the ceremony fees.

## 2 MONTHS

Chase up guests who have not

Order travellers cheques/ currency Give final guest list to caterers Book your hair appointment Check transport arrangements

Return Ceremony Plan to Registration Office

Ensure that any music is in a format Compatible with the equipment in the Registration Office.

## 2 WEEKS

Make up/Hair trial Gift for your spouse to be.



#### I WEEK

Time the journey to make sure there are no unexpected delays Give your gown, bridesmaids' dresses etc. a final check for fit Ensure all hired clothes are collected in time Pack for your honeymoon.

## RENEWAL OF VOWS



An opportunity for couples to renew their commitment to each other in a non-religious celebratory ceremony.

This can be used on a special anniversary, such as 10th, 25th or 40th or after an original low-key wedding, thus enabling family and friends who were unable to attend, to enjoy the celebrations and become involved.

Our Celebrant ceremonies are often held after a ceremony abroad.

Options could include a twilight ceremony or themed celebration. As this is a non legal ceremony the possibilities are endless. Any couple of any age or gender can arrange a celebratory ceremony. Couples do not have to live in Cumbria. You will have the chance to work closely with a professional ceremony planner to select from the options available, and tailor a ceremony that is special for you and your family.

Every ceremony is different, so you can create something unique for you to remember and treasure.

We offer celebratory ceremonies in all Registration Offices and approved premises within the county. If you would like to use a different venue, for example a village hall, or a marquee in the grounds of a hotel or the garden at your home, this would need to be discussed beforehand.

The location selected must have public liability and may need to be inspected before a ceremony can be approved.



stepchildren into a new relationship and form part of the family bonding with an extended family unit.

You may choose to hold it prior to or following your wedding or civil partnership ceremony.

Make promises of commitment to nurture and support the child into adult life

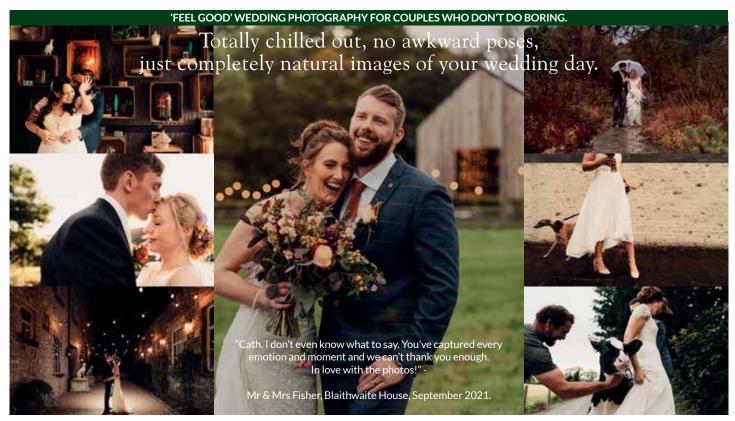
Choose other adults prepared to promise a special supportive relationship to the child or children

Gather together close family and friends to celebrate the special occasion.

excellent locations and meet current fire and safety regulations with public liability insurance.

These premises are experienced at holding events and are also ideal for naming ceremonies, however, there may be other options. If you are unsure of the suitability of a particular location please contact the Ceremonies Team.

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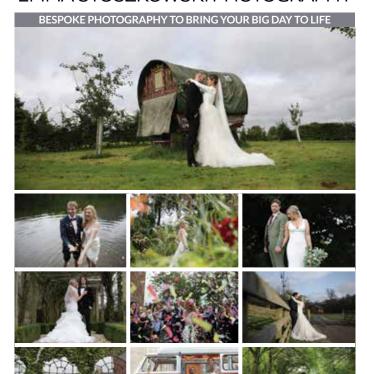
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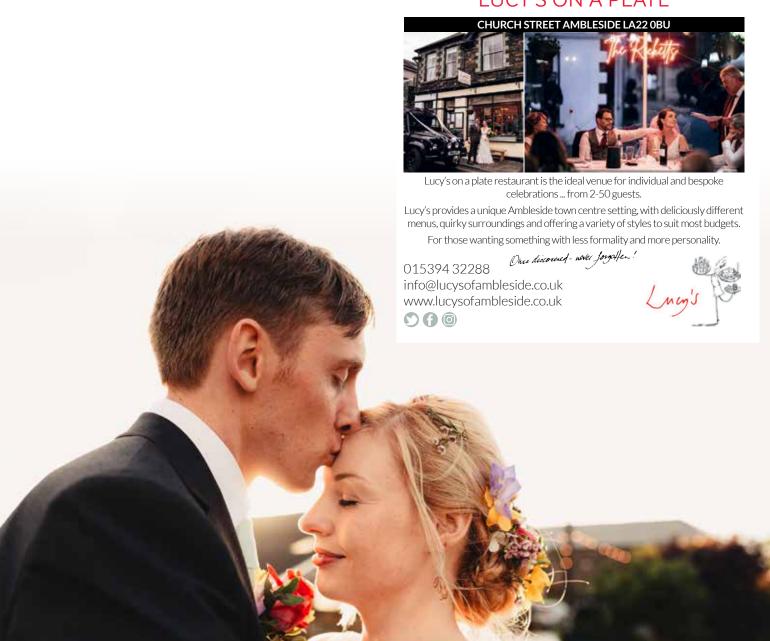


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#### CUMBRIA'S

## CEREMONY ROOMS



#### BARROW

Barrow Registration Office Nan Tait Centre Abbey Road Barrow in Furness LA14 1LG

Available Monday to Saturday.
Holds a maximum of 70 people.
Large room with lots of natural light and mirrors, tastefully decorated in neutral colours.

Disabled access, on ground floor. No on-site parking.



#### KENDAL

Kendal Register Office County Offices Busher Walk Kendal LA9 4RQ

Available Monday to Friday only.

Holds a maximum of 10 people.

Small intimate ceremony room, in pale colours.

Disabled access to ceremony room.

Restricted parking.



#### CARLISLE

Carlisle Registration Office Lady Gillfords House Petteril Bank Road Carlisle CA1 3AJ

Available Monday to Saturday.
Holds a maximum of 60 people.
Beautiful panelled former billiard room, with fireplace and stained glass windows, allowing natural light. Large gardens and pergola perfect for photographs.

Disabled access via a lift to first floor. Plenty of free on-site parking.



#### PENRITH

Penrith Registration Office Penrith Library St Andrews Churchyard Penrith CA11 7YA

Available Monday to Saturday. Holds a maximum of 20 people. Character features, with natural light, contained in an office.

Ceremony room on first floor accessed by a lift, however access to the room is by steps. No on-site parking.



1.	Abbey House Hotel	55.	George Hotel		Roundthorn Country House
2.	Another Place The Lake	56.	Ghyll Barn		Rydal Mount
3.	Appleby Castle	57.	Gilpin Lake House		Sawry House Hotel
4.	Armathwaite Hall Hotel	58.	Glenridding House		Seacote Hotel
5.	Askham Hall	59.	Greenhill Hotel		Sella Park House Hotel
6.	Augill castle	60.	Hare Hill Barn		Shapwells Hotel
7.	Barrow-in-Furness Registration Office	61.	Hause Hall Farm		Sharrowbay Hotel
8.	Beech Hill Hotel	62.	Haweswater Hotel		Shed 1 Distillery
o. 9.	Belmount Hall	63.	Heather Glen		Silverholme Manor
7. 10.	Blackwell	64.	Helena Thompson Museum		Skitby
10.	Blaithwaite	65.	Hidden River Cabins		Storrs Hall
12.	Blencowe Hall	66.	Holbeck Gyhll		Summergrove Halls
13.	Bower House Inn	67.	Holesfoot		Swan Hotel & Spa
13. 14.	Brierywood	68.	Holker Hall		The Wordsworth Hotel & Spa
15.	Broadoaks	69. 70	Howgills Bunk Barn		The Brantwood
16.	Brockhole	70.	Hunday Manor Hotel		The Coach House Café & Bistro
17.	Broughton Craggs Hotel	71.	Hundith Hill Hotel		The Copper Mines
18.	Calthwaite Hall	72.	Irton Hall		The Fleece at Ruleholme
19.	Carlisle Racecourse	73.	Kendal County Offices Busher Walk		The Grange Hotel
20.	Carlisle Station	74.	Kendal Rugby Club		The Halston Aparthotel
20.	Cartmel Old Grammar Country	75.	Kendal Town Hall		The Inn at Brough
21.	House	76.	Kings Head Hotel		The Inn on the Lake
22.	Cartmel Racecourse	77.	Kirklinton Hall		The Lancrigg
23.	Carus Green Golf Club	77. 78.	Knipe Hall		The Belsfield Hotel
24.	Carwinley Romantic Retreat	70. <b>79.</b>	Lady Gillford's House		The Maydeet Hell Microsoft
25.	Casterton Grange	80.	Lakes Hotel & Spa		The Market Hall - Wigton
26.	Castle Green Hotel	81.	Lakeside Hotel		The Old Mill @ Bardsea
27.	Castle Inn Hotel	82.	Langdale Chase		The Plough
28.	Castletown Estate	83.	Langdale Hotel		The Ryebeck
29.	Chetwynde Hotel	84.	Leeming House Hotel		The Ro
30.	Civic Hall Whitehaven	85.	Lindeth Howe		The Samling
31.	Clift Hill	86.	Linthwaite House		The Skiddaw Hotel
32.	Cockermouth Town Hall	87.	Longlands at Cartmel		The Trout Hotel
33.	Cote How	88.	Low Hall The Lakes		The Villa The Weshington Control Hetel
34.	Cragwood Country House Hotel	89.	Low House		The Washington Central Hotel Three Hills Barn
35.	Crown and Mitre Hotel	90.	Low Wood Bay Resort & Spa		
36.	Crown Hotel	91.	Melmerby Hall		Town Head
37.	Cumbria Grand Hotel	92.	Merewood Hotel	14/.	Tuille House Museum & Art Gallery
38.	Cumbria Park Hotel	93.	Moresby Hall	1/18	Tweedies Bar & Lodge
39.	Cumbria Register Office (Carlisle)	94.	Morton Manor		Ulverston Golf Club
40.	Daffodil Hotel	95.	Muncaster Castle		Underley Grange
41.	Dallam Towers	96.	Naworth Castle		Wasdale Head Inn
42.	Dalston Hall Hotel	97.	Netherwood Hotel		Whitehaven Registration Office
43.	Damson Dene	98.	New Dungeon Ghyll	132.	Library
44.	Derwentwater Hotel	99.	New House Farm	153.	Whitewater Hotel
45.	Dunes Hotel		Newby Bridge		Wigton Registration Office
46.	Eden Barn		North Lakes Hotel		Wild Boar Inn, Grill and
47.	Eden Golf Club		Old England		Smokehouse
48.	Edenhall Country Hotel		Old Town Hall	156.	Windermere Boat Club
49.	Edenhall Estate		Overwater Hall Hotel	157.	Windermere Jetty Museum
50.	Ennerdale Country House Hotel		Paddock Barn		Wordsworth House and Garden
51.	Fairbank Farm		Park House Barn	159.	Ye Olde Fleece Inn
52.	Fairfield		Penrith Registration Office	160.	Yew Tree Farm
53.	Farlam Hall Hotel		Punch Bowl		
54.	Forest Side Hotel		Rose Castle		
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