

## WEDDINGS



# **W**elcome to the montague on the gardens.

A Georgian townhouse full of English charm, excelling in traditional service, The Montague is located in literary Bloomsbury just steps from the British Museum. A popular wedding venue, guests enjoy an idyllic calm setting, while located in the heart of the city.

There are 100 individually-styled rooms and luxury suites. The chic Leopard Bar, cigar terrace and al fresco dining areas overlook the peaceful gardens of the Bedford Estate.

Gather with loved ones and enjoy splendid luxury, passionate service, generous hospitality and exquisite cuisine in elegant surroundings.

Dirk Crokaert General Manager

#### **EXCLUSIVE WEDDINGS**

#### WITH OUR COMPLIMENTS



OUR DEDICATED WEDDING COORDINATOR WILL BE ON HAND to help and advise you, whether you envisage a summery al fresco event, an intimate indoor gathering for close family and friends, or a large and elaborate party, we have the resources and experience to make all your dreams come true.

The happy couple will enjoy a night in one of our elegant Wedding Suites, with a romantic turndown, a bottle of Champagne and full English breakfast the following morning, as well as an exclusively-reserved breakfast area for any guests staying the night at the hotel.\*



- A chilled glass of Champagne for the couple on arrival to the hotel
- Enjoy the luxury of one of our suites for the newlyweds on the night of their wedding
- Celebrate with a chilled bottle of Champagne and romantic rose petal turndown in the evening
- Start married life, with a scrumptious full English breakfast in bed or with your friends and family in a reserved area of our hotel
- A dedicated wedding specialist, to guide you with the planning and realisation of your big day
- Tables, banqueting chairs, all silverware, glasses and white table linen
- Use of our outdoor spaces for your drinks reception
- Exclusive accommodation rates for couple and wedding guests
- A delicious selection of light snacks delivered to the suite, for the party to enjoy while they get ready.
- A set of embroidered dressing gowns as a gift from the hotel (with the couple's initials)
- Customised name cards, menu books and table plan for sit-down weddings
- White chair covers and sashes in either red, blue or silver available with our Time Honoured package
- Cake knife and stand
- A year after the union has been marked with a beautiful wedding at the Montague, return to your special place (the hotel) to enjoy a bottle of Champagne with our compliments.

\*based on a minimum spend of £10,000 inc VAT on food and beverage

'LOVE IS LIKE THE WIND, YOU CAN'T SEE IT BUT YOU CAN FEEL IT' Nicholas Sparks

\*Minimum spend £8,000



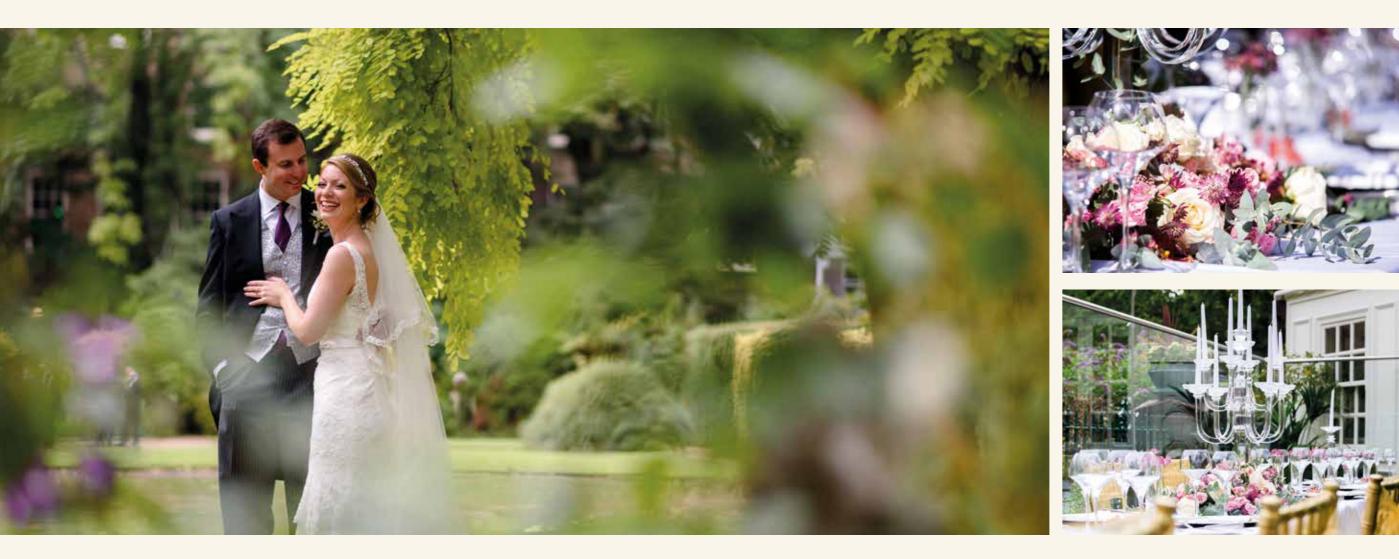


E ARE LICENSED TO HOLD CIVIL WEDDING CEREMONIES and have three exceptional rooms for you to choose

from. The large Great Russell Suite features a private bar and access outside to the wood deck. For more intimate events, the Woburn Suite and The Conservatory are ideal. If you desire an al fresco setting you can exclusively book the outdoor areas of the hotel, including the Terrace which transforms into a spectacular beach-themed setting in the summer and a ski lodge in the winter, overlooking the private gardens of the Bedford Estate.

If you wish to hold your ceremony with us you will be required to contact the Superintendent Registrar at Camden Council to confirm they are able to attend and conduct the ceremony on your chosen date.

#### INTIMATE WEDDINGS



'LOVE IS THE FLOWER YOU'VE GOT TO LET GROW' John Lennon **THE TERRACE** – Overlooking the private Bedford Estate Gardens the Terrace can seat 30 guests at a table or 150 (reception style) when combined with the Wood Deck and Large Conservatory.

**THE LARGE CONSERVATORY** - Our bright and airy Conservatory is a beautiful room that can hold up to 30 guests.

**WOOD DECK / BEACH BAR / SKI LODGE** - The Wood Deck is a wonderful and intimate setting, complete with covering, the wood deck is available all year round, whether for Summer BBQ or Winter Wonderland themed weddings.

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### THE WEDDING BREAKFAST



'IF MUSIC BE THE FOOD OF LOVE, PLAY ON ' Shakespeare

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#### SUGGESTED ITINERARY

- We recommend that our couples stay at the hotel the night before the wedding so service providers can visit on site in the morning for hair/make up. We offer special discounted wedding accommodation rates which also apply to your guests staying at the hotel.
- Bring your nearest and dearest together, at the Leopard Bar for an informal pre-rehearsal dinner gathering and enjoy some live music and cocktails followed by an intimate rehearsal dinner in the Blue Door Bistro, or in one of our intimate private dining rooms.
- Start the day with breakfast in pure tranquillity on one of our terraces overlooking the private gardens of the Bedford Estate. Or if the weather's a little too cool for al-fresco dining, enjoy the delicious array at our friendly Blue Door Bistro.
- Relax and savour some extra time to yourself, because our wedding specialist will oversee every detail. From the private areas as they transform into the most beautiful setting you could ever imagine, to all of the logistical aspects of the day, and of course the final special touches.
- As your guests start to arrive, they will be shown into your private area and greeted with a glass of Champagne while they wait to enter the ceremony area.
- The Masters of Ceremony will announce the start of the ceremony, and your designated ushers will be in position to guide your guests to take their places in anticipation of the happy couple's grand entrance.

- After the ceremony, the photographer will make use of our beautiful hotel as a backdrop to your wedding photos. Alternatively, Russell Square, The British Museum, and the beautifully adorned heritage facades of Bloomsbury's streets, surrounding the hotel, could be the perfect photo opportunity to encapsulate your moment forever.
- While your official wedding photos are being taken, your guests will enjoy a post-ceremony glass of Champagne, or perhaps your favourite cocktail before being seated for the wedding breakfast.
- Your guests are seated for the **wedding breakfast**, and raise their glasses as the happy couple enter the stunningly-decorated wedding reception space. The perfect start to plenty memorable moments to come.
- This will be followed by a spectacular lineup of **gourmet delights**, designed by our Executive Chef, Martin Hall.
- After your meal the **speeches will commence** and guests will toast the new couple with a glass of Champagne.
- The cake cutting ceremony provides more excitement and photo opportunities, served with freshly brewed teas, coffees with petit fours following your meal in one of our beautiful sun-drenched conservatories and terraces.
- While you enjoy a little "pick-me-up", The Great Russell Suite, transforms yet again, into your **evening reception venue**, complete with DJ and disco.
- The Great Russell Suite re-opens for you and your party to continue celebrating well into the early hours.
- **Beautiful sleep is only an elevator away**, as you retire to one of our exquisite suites. The perfect end, to the perfect day.



#### THE GUV'NOR'S SUITE

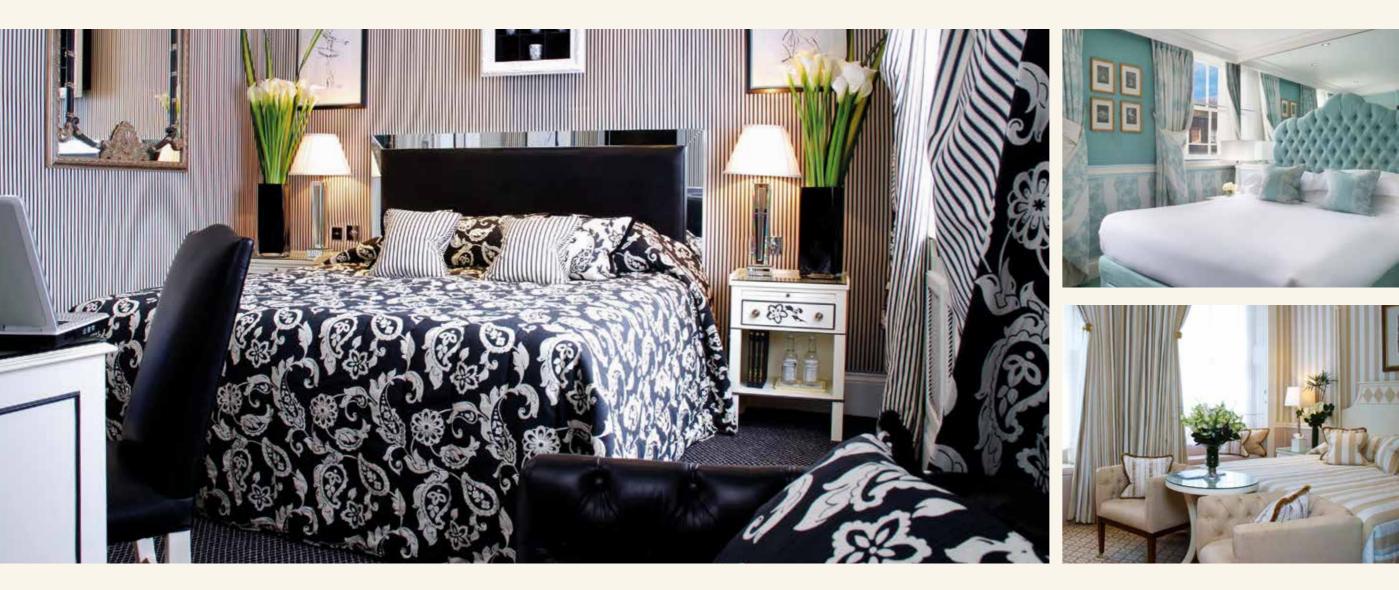


HE ROMANTIC TWO-BEDROOM GUV'NOR'S SUITE is like a stylish private home in the heart of the city. Located on the lower ground floor with a beautiful conservatory providing ample natural daylight, the entrance is an elegant marble corridor with walls covered in a faux suede fabric and original prints. Underfloor heating and spotlights create a warm and relaxed mood. Among the numerous features you'll find an inviting copper bath and a wealth of antique furnishings.

'LOVE DOESN'T MAKE THE WORLD GO ROUND; LOVE IS WHAT MAKES THE RIDE WORTHWHILE' Elizabeth Browning

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#### SUITES AND ROOMS



OUR GUESTS will be spoilt for choice when staying in the individually and elegantly designed 88 deluxe guest rooms and 11 luxury suites - from the effortlessly stylish to the selfconfidently bold, our rooms are as inviting as they are comfortable.

'THE BEST AND MOST BEAUTIFUL THINGS IN THIS WORLD CANNOT BE SEEN OR EVEN HEARD, BUT MUST BE FELT WITH THE HEART' Helen Keller

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#### WEDDING CHECKLIST

**ONGRATULATIONS** on your recent Engagement. As experienced wedding organisers we hope that you will find our Wedding Checklist useful, when planning your big day..

#### 18 months - 12 months to go

- Now is the time to book your wedding at The Montague on the Gardens. Demand is high so the earlier you book the better.
- Decide where you would like to hold the ceremony and apply for your marriage licence (3 months notice is required)
- Plan what music you would like to accompany your ceremony and reception

   if you opt for live music, good vendors are often booked over a year in
   advance. If you can, go and see a few bands or listen to their material
- Book your photographer
- Book your videographer
- Begin the process of finding your perfect wedding attire
- Choose your bridesmaids, best man/maid of honour, flower girls and ushers

#### 6-9 months to go

- Organise wedding stationery
- Look into honeymoon ideas and check that your passports are valid
- Meet with the celebrant and plan the order of service
- Choose the wedding rings
- Meet your dedicated wedding coordinator to discuss and plan the itinerary for the big day
- Book the florist
- Send out wedding invitations

#### 3-6 months to go

- Make sure that all of the necessary paperwork and certificates are all in order for the wedding ceremony
- Book the wedding car
- Organise a hair and make up trial
- Order the wedding cake

#### 1-2 months to go

- Meet with the wedding coordinator to discuss the itinerary
- Complimentary menu tasting for the couple
- Consultation with the Montague Team who will recommend wine to complement your wedding menu
- Finalise the menus and itinerary
- Make a list of all wedding replies so that you can confirm final numbers

#### 2 weeks to go

- Give the wedding coordinator your table plan and place cards
- Finalise the wedding itinerary with the wedding coordinator

#### 1 week to go

- Have your wedding rehearsal
- Reconfirm final numbers
- Ensure you pack your bags for your honeymoon a few days in advance

#### The Wedding Day

- Hair and make up appointments in the morning
- Make sure the best man/maid of honour has the wedding rings
- Wedding ceremony (remember if the wedding is in the winter time it will be dark after 3.30pm/4.00pm)
- Photographs
- Drinks reception
- Guests are called and seated
- Meal begins followed by speeches
- After tea/coffee cutting of the cake
- Dancing commences
- Evening buffet food served

We look forward to making your wedding day everything you have imagined and more.





































WHERE THERE IS LOVE THERE IS LIFE Mahatma Ghandi



#### WEDDING TESTIMONIALS

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We would like to take a moment and thank you and your wonderful team for making our special day even more wonderful and definitely stress-free. Everett, Jess, Majran, Joao, Lucia, Edgar, and the entire team went way more than extra mile making sure that the ceremony, wedding and our stay at your hotel is a wonderful experience. Not only were they very professional and provided us with an excellent customer service but also truly connected with us making it a very personal and friendly cooperation, which was very unique and most valued. We will definitely recommend your hotel to our friends and family. We look forward to staying with you again in the future

#### Anna Matuszak and Byron Tudor

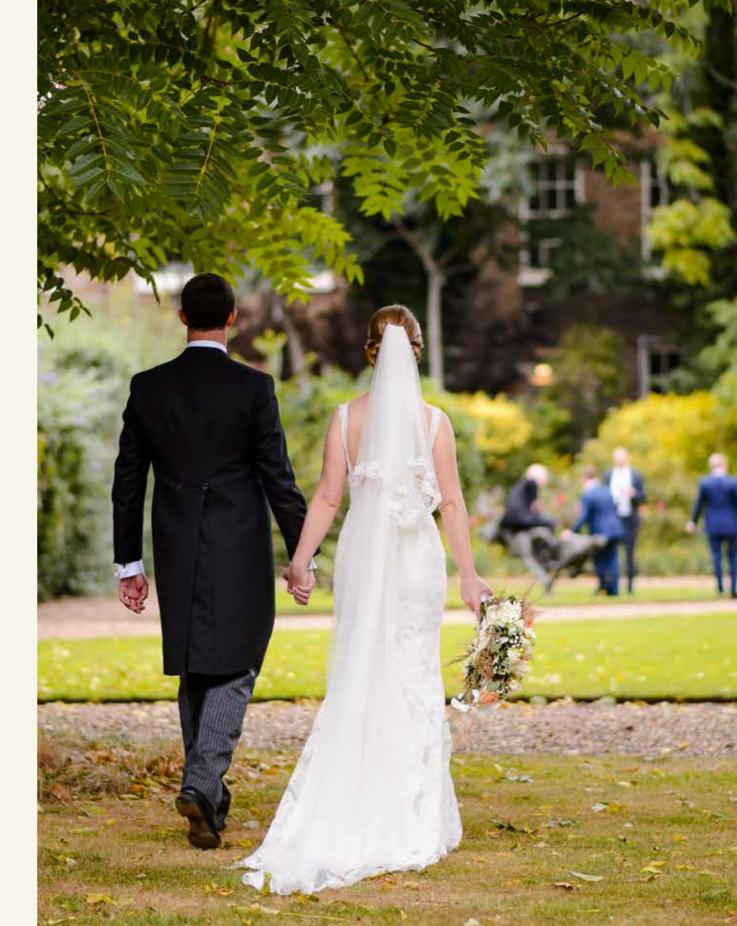
#### What a magical day we had! We would

like to thank you for having helped us with everything and being so relaxed about the last minute cancellations. You really did a fantastic job! All our guests had a fabulous time, they all said the staff was very friendly, the food was delicious and the venue was gorgeous. They all loved the leopard room and the ski lodge. Popchoir were also super happy and said their food was incredible. We absolutely loved our honeymoon suite, thank you so much for the cookies, macaroons and the lovely petals. I had the most amazing bath in there and the bed was super comfy! I think we want to move there permanently! The pictures are lovey, I love how they are all so natural and spontaneous. Maybe we'll go and have breakfast or dinner at the hotel one day. Many many thanks for everything Jess! What a wonderful wedding!

Marta Sanz Vidal and Juan Luis Santos

My "Husband and I" (can't believe I get to say this all the time now) had the great opportunity to get married here; gay wedding. Amazing! The location is great, the venue is beautiful; quality and finesse. Every room is individually styled, with a range of sizes. Our honeymoon suite was like a central London flat. We searched London for a hotel with both inside and outside space; there are not many. And we wanted a more informal day. A BBQ you say? Oh yes. The staff are attentive yet reserved. Never imposing, but they were always there when you needed them. It is the staff that attracted us most to this hotel. From the conceirge when you walk in, to the receptionists, the porters, the dinner staff, the room staff, the operational staff. Everyone, and I do mean everyone, stops and talks and has a laugh with you. Nothing is a problem. And that is especially true of our wedding organiser. From the moment we met her back in Feb through until our big day, everything was a pleasure. We've not done this before (get married). But these guys have! They know the Camden Registrars. They know what to expect. These guys can source everything for your wedding; you choose just how little or how much. We had the best day of our life here. Our guests noted it being the best wedding they've ever been to. It's not the big gestures in life that matter, but the little ones we remember the most. With the Montague on the Gardens, you get a "whole lotta little gestures". Treat your beautiful bride or groom to be, get married here!

Warren Ayling and Hans Roelofs



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