

THE
NATIONAL
MUSEUM



Recommended Suppliers List

For Portsmouth and Gosport



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Our Handpicked Suppliers

For Portsmouth and Gosport

The National Museum of the Royal Navy tells the incredible story of the Royal Navy, and our unique collection of venues provide the perfect opportunity for you to wow your guests with a truly unforgettable experience.



Whether you're planning a wedding, corporate event, private dining experience or conference, we understand that the perfect venue isn't complete without the perfect supplier to make your event everything you dreamed it could be.

Each of our venues works with a select range of trusted, high-quality suppliers who understand how to protect our heritage venues and historic collections, leaving you to relax and enjoy your bespoke occasion.

We work with the following types of suppliers:

- Caterers, bars and cake makers
- DJ, musicians and entertainers
- Florists and décor specialists
- Photographers and videographers
- Hotels, travel companies and vehicles

If you would like any help in choosing your suppliers, please contact your Event Manager who will be more than happy to point you in the right direction.

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PG Available in Portsmouth and Gosport

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Catering, drinks & cake makers





BEZANI CATERING

Bezani Catering have been catering in numerous venues for over 25 years and have built up an amazing reputation for great tasting food, imaginative ideas and excellent service.

Wherever available we will use fresh, seasonal, local /British produce direct from the farmers and growers so we can ensure we know exactly where the food has come from and it has been ethically produced.

We set ourselves high standards which are maintained by talented chefs and conscientious, happy staff which are all trained in house to make sure your function runs smoothly.

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EARTH CATERING

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At Earth Catering, we combine all our skill, passion, and love for food to provide you with an experience you'll never forget. Whether you are planning your wedding, corporate event, or a special occasion, you can be sure that Earth Catering will amaze you, and your guests.

Our catering team has a passion for flavour, creativity and a wealth of experience in the industry, focusing on locally sourced ingredients from the farms to artisan suppliers covering all your dietary needs.

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HAMPSHIRE BARS

Hampshire Bars and Events has a wealth of experience within the events and hospitality industry. Supporting and supplying mobile bars to many large events across the UK, and specialising in weddings and corporate parties.

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POWDER MONKEY

Co-Founder and CEO Andy first found the building that spawned Powder Monkey Brewing in 2019. An Historic Naval Gunpowder Store in Priddy's Hard, Gosport, it had remained empty and partially derelict for over fifty years.

Despite its shocking state, the vision was born, and the work began on planning the brewery and developing the brand. The name Powder Monkey relates to the boys who carried the gunpowder to the guns on board ships.

Having recruited Mark, our Head Brewer to the team, Andy & Mark spent many hours planning the working side of the brewery, specifying the equipment and ensuring it was as efficient and productive as possible.

Roll forward to July 2021 and the new facility was up and running and the first beers brewed.

Powder Monkey also has a Tap House located nearby, boasting 16 keg lines, and serving a variety of drinks and craft bites

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THE PASTRY CORNER
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The Pastry Corner is a bespoke cake and catering company, specialising in cold buffet catering with a twist. From simple buffets, to grazing boards, canapés and drink receptions to afternoon tea, we have the right package to suit your event, tailored to your needs.

The business is headed up by the South Coast's best student patisserie chef 2012, Alexandra Bishop. With a passion for flavour Alexandra understands how important it is for the products to not only look incredible but taste amazing.


Everyone involved at The Pastry Corner, is trained to the highest standard and passionate in what they do. Excellent ingredients are used throughout and will never be sacrificed for cheaper alternatives.

Whatever the occasion, wedding, birthday or just a get-together, the Pastry Corner is the only place you will need.

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VANILLA

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Vanilla Catering provides outstanding, innovative food supported by friendly and professional service for every occasion. Now in its seventeenth year, the company is as passionate as ever about ensuring that you get the experience you are seeking. Whether it's your wedding, a formal corporate function, or a relaxed private party, Vanilla's primary focus will always be on producing exceptional food and providing outstanding service.

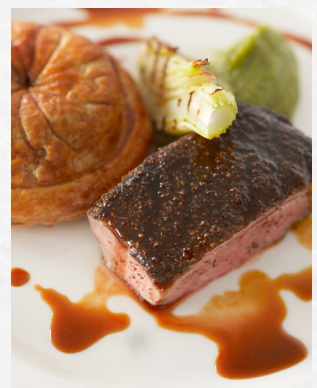
Based on the banks of the River Hamble in Swanwick, near Southampton, our team of chefs work with the very best and freshest ingredients, locally sourced and sensitive to the seasons wherever possible. Contact us for a consultation and try some of our delicious creations, with no obligation.

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WRIGHT CHOICE

Wright Choice Catering has been in business for 20 years and we are passionate about adding new ideas into the way we work so we are delivering the highest quality and best service we can to your event.


Whether you're organising an all day conference, celebrating a special occasion or hosting a private dinner party, we offer a whole range of options including cold or hot buffets, hog roasts, paella and BBQ's to suit your needs.

Everything is made by us so this means all our ingredients are fresh for your event so we are flexible and can tailor menus to your needs.

Our service has been described on many occasion as unobtrusive so people feel well looked after without us getting in the way.

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DJs, Musicians, Entertainment



BRETT SIRRELL MAGICIAN

Brett is a contemporary magician performing Amazing & Entertaining Magic.

A professional entertainer of the highest quality who uses magic, fun and showmanship to create altered realities and unforgettable experiences for every audience. One of the top professional magicians in the UK and a member of The Magic Circle.


Brett has been professional magician and entertainer for over 25 years and has performed at over 2500 different types of events, including VIP corporate events, private parties, TV and media productions and of course weddings.


He is member of The Magic Circle, the world's premier magical society, also a member of Equity, the professional performers union.

You won't get spongy balls or disappearing hankies, you will see modern magic with new ideas, always one step ahead of the expected. Most importantly, Brett is more than a magician but an entertainer! He doesn't just do "magic tricks" but will interact magically with every audience with fun and laughter.

As an experienced and trained actor, stand-up comedian, presenter and entertainer his charisma, charm and sense of fun is engaging, captivating and a guaranteed crowd pleaser.

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COLIN PHILLIPS MAGICIAN PG


Colin Phillips is one of the hottest properties and most sought after professional Magicians in the UK today. As a professional performer and entertainer, Colin has performed as a close up Magician and cabaret artiste all over the UK, Western Europe and in parts of the USA.

Colin is a certified member of the world's premier and most prestigious magic society "The Magic Circle". He is also a member of "The International Assembly" of "The Society of American Magicians" and an accredited member of "Equity" the professional performers association.

Using his own unique style of magical entertainment, Colin will conjure up countless magical moments that will create magical memories of your event that will last you a lifetime.

CONTACT

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DEAN JOHN

Dean John Professional DJ, Host & Event Manager is based in the New Forest. Working across Hampshire, Dorset and The South at a range of exclusive venues he offers you and your guests an entertainment experience to remember.

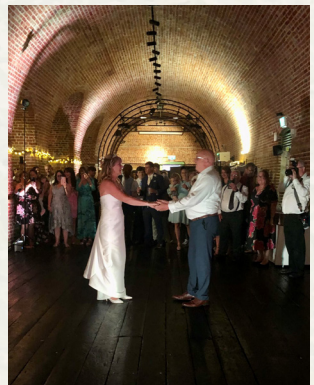
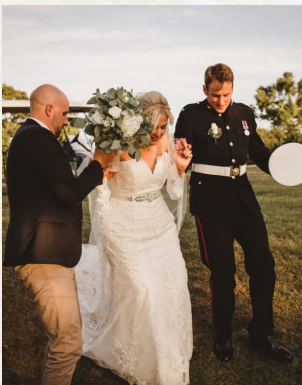
Having worked in the Wedding and Corporate entertainment industry for many years hosting and DJ'ing at a variety of weddings, parties and events, he is able to combine his experience and professionalism to create the ultimate experience.

Dean John can offer you a bespoke entertainment package for any party or event to leave your guests with memories that will last a lifetime, whatever the occasion.

CONTACT

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KATE HAM HARPIST

Kate Ham is an exceptional harpist who brings an exquisite touch of elegance to weddings and special events. With an illustrious career spanning over 20 years, Kate's talent has graced the presence of distinguished figures, including performing for the late HM The Queen and The Emir of Qatar, as well as having backed McFly on their Wonderland Tour and performed on TV's Strictly Come Dancing show.

Her repertoire spans from classical to contemporary pop tunes, ensuring that she can set the perfect tone for any moment. Whether you seek an enchanting atmosphere for your ceremony, a delightful backdrop for your reception, or a sophisticated ambiance for your wedding breakfast, Kate's artistry can cater to your desires.

In addition to her solo performances, Kate offers a unique collaboration with "The Will & Kate Duo," performing with her husband to deliver upbeat pop covers accompanied by electric cajon, vocals, trumpet and of course, harp.

CONTACT



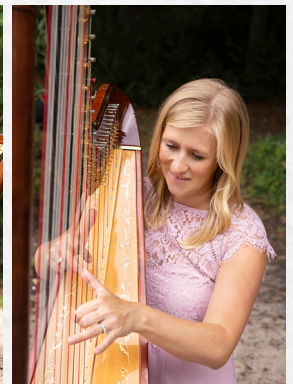
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MARTIN JAKEMAN PG

You've chosen a venue rich in history so let Martin Jakeman add the perfect flare of Victorian showmanship as your Master of Ceremonies.

Taking on the role of HMS Warrior's Lieutenant Fisher he performs tasks such as piping bridal parties and VIPs on board, explosive gunnery demonstrations, singing shanties and hosting mess dinners. His immersive style and charismatic character will make your special event even more memorable.

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MIKE SULLIVAN ENTERTAINMENTS PG

Mike Sullivan Entertainments provides all forms of professional entertainment for weddings, private parties, military functions, corporate events, Christmas events and more.

We can supply the entertainment to suit your requirements and specialise in Live Bands, DJs, Fun Casinos, venue theming, magicians, comedians, string quartets, caricaturists, human statues, circus entertainers, children's entertainment and more!

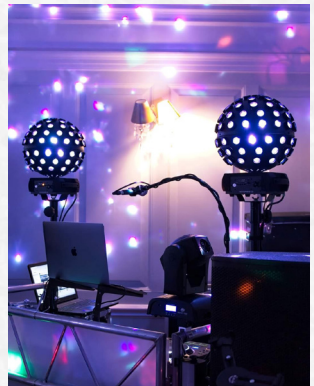
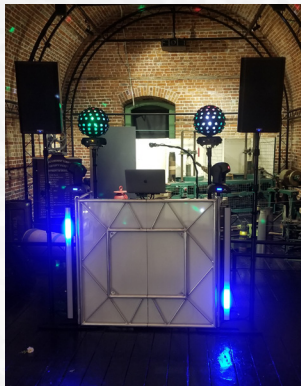
The team are always happy to offer free and impartial advice on any aspect of entertainment so browse through the website and call us to discuss your requirements.

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PORTSMOUTH SHANTYMEN



Your special event is going to take place in Historic surroundings, so why not add an appropriate musical background? The Portsmouth Shantymen's powerful choruses and superb harmony singing will add that extra something to any event. They have a wealth of material, from the obscure to the very well-known. Set the scene as your guests arrive and/or get them all singing along at the end of the evening – it's up to You!

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THE ROYAL MARINES ASSOCIATION ENSEMBLES

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The Royal Marines Association Ensembles are ideal for providing music for dinners, corporate functions, weddings, or in fact for any occasion where easy listening music is required. From Fanfare Trumpets, Brass Ensembles, String Quartets or Dance Bands, right up to 21-piece Big Bands, we have your event covered.

Our musicians have over 1000 years' collective service to Queen, King and country. Many of them served onboard HM Royal Yacht Britannia and will have played at thousands of state events, banquets and for royal families and heads of state around the world.

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*The Dukes
of Swing*

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The Dukes of Swing play a great selection of classic swing jazz tracks made famous by artists such as Frank Sinatra, Nat King Cole and Michael Bublé. The band provides a show bursting with charisma and charm; perfect for high-end corporate events and weddings.

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UBERMEISTER PG

Ubermeister are a dynamic five or seven piece party band based in Hampshire.

Mixing a vast but eclectic blend of timeless pop and rock covers, performed to the highest standard. A band with soaring harmonies, exquisite guitar playing and the tightest of rhythm sections fronted by cool, charismatic, male and female vocalists. With over 10 years' experience and 150 weddings alone, they are sure to make your event go with a bang.

This professional outfit exude confidence on stage and with a repertoire covering the last 70 years of popular music are bound to have something for everyone. They are happy to learn a first dance or request of your choosing to be performed live on your big day should you require.

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Florists, decor





MRS BOUQUET

Here are a few reasons why booking me as your wedding florist will ensure an exceptional experience and breathtaking results:

Personalized Consultations: From our very first meeting, I will take the time to understand your vision, preferences, and individual style. Your wedding day is a reflection of your love, and I am dedicated to translating your dreams into reality through floral artistry.

Creative Design Expertise: As an experienced wedding florist, I stay up-to-date with the latest trends and design techniques. From classic and timeless arrangements to contemporary and avant-garde creations, I have the expertise to curate floral designs that perfectly align with your desired theme and ambiance.

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SARAH MATTHEWS

Turn your vision into a reality with our wide range of luxury, bespoke, creative services to style your dream event! Whether you're planning a wedding, birthday celebration or corporate party, our in-house florist and venue stylist, based on the beautiful Isle of Wight, are here to help you create your perfect day!

From stunning floral displays, elegant wedding flowers or simple table arrangements, through to eye catching venue decor, backdrops and props! We can also cover all of the little details (and believe us there are a few!) creating the most memorable experience for yourselves and your guests. With over 30 years experience and recommended by 'Rock My Wedding'.

CONTACT

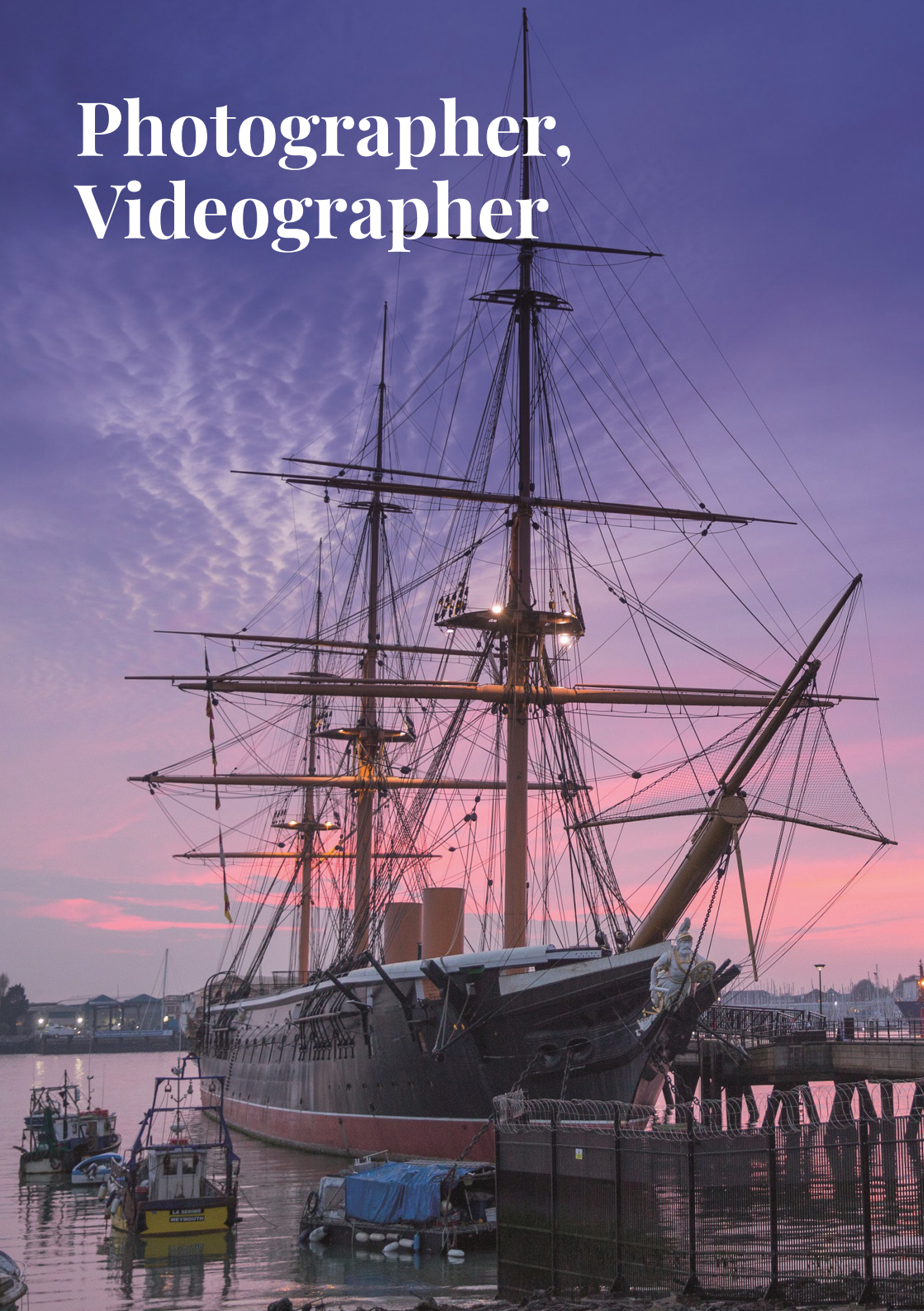
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Photographer, Videographer





CLAIRE KELSON

Hi, my name is Claire and I am a professional portrait, wedding and event photographer.


Based on the South Coast with almost 15 years experience, I have had the pleasure of photographing events across many amazing venues and have met with so many incredible people, capturing lasting memories from their special days.

One of the best compliments I get from clients is that they feel like they've known me forever after a session. I absolutely love doing what I do and I hope this is reflected in what you see throughout my image galleries. I photograph using a natural candid approach rather than completely posed, and I make it my purpose to capture the emotion in every picture.

As for my wedding packages, they are outlined on my website however I like to tailor fit my packages to suit each couple - as every wedding is different.

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HANNAH LUCY PHOTOGRAPHY

Hi, I'm Hannah from Hannah Lucy Photography and have been photographing weddings for over 10 years. I feel so lucky to be working my dream job and love nothing more than capturing the magic of a wedding day and providing my couples with memories that will last a lifetime. I have a natural, candid style to the wedding day so I have more of a 'fly on the wall approach'.

In 2020 I became a 'regional finalist' for the South Central region of The Wedding Industry Awards.

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Travel, hotels








AA EVENTS AND TRAVEL PG

AA Events and Travel understand that your honeymoon is the most important holiday of your life, a once-in-a-lifetime trip. Whether you want a few weeks of long-haul lounging or a minimoon in a romantic city, I can tailor a trip to your tastes, whatever the size of your budget. I will listen to what you both would like to get out of your honeymoon and tailor everything for you from the time you step out of your front door to when you return, we have you covered!

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KEPPEL'S HEAD HOTEL

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Full of Naval history and charm, we pride ourselves on offering friendly and welcoming service with fantastic food. We are ideally located in The Hard, opposite excellent travel connections. The Georgian hotel has 30 ensuite rooms some with views of Portsmouth Harbour and The HMS Warrior.

Dine in our beautiful Georgian dining room, The Captain's Table, relax with family and friends and enjoy delicious dishes using only the freshest of local ingredients. Our experienced events team can organise many memorable occasions including weddings, parties and corporate meetings. Our private function room The Nutbar is an intimate eclectic area which compliments the hotel for all the events we hold.

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Vehicles



ALLENBY CARS

Allenby Cars specialise in supplying and chauffeuring vintage style and executive vehicles for your special occasions.


We started our business in March 2006 with stretched Limousines, and decided to venture into the Vintage Style Wedding Cars and Executive Car Private Hire market, which we now operate 5 vehicles. We supply Wedding cars, Prom cars, Cruise Ship Transfers & Airport Transfers plus many other occasions!

Our fleet includes a 1930's style Beauford Convertible, a 1930's style Branford, a 1930's style Asquith 8 seater bus, a 7 Seater Executive Tourneo Minibus and a modern Jaguar XJL Autobiography.

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CRANESWATER CARS PG

Craneswater Wedding Cars Ltd is a family owned business in Southsea. The company has over 34 years experience in providing a customised service to its valuable customers. We have a range of Vehicles including Vintage 1935 20/25 Rolls Royce, Silver and two White Rolls Royce Silver Shadows. We plan your Wedding car hire for your special day and provide you in advance with an itinerary of your requirements. We aim to provide luxury Wedding transport at a competitive price.

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Can't find what you're looking for?

Our Event Managers will be happy to work with you to source a suitable supplier who can not only deliver for your needs, but can also work with our complex heritage sites.

Are you a business wanting to work with us?

Whilst we are not actively tendering for new suppliers currently, you can **register your interest here**.

Want to start a conversation?

You can reach out to our suppliers directly using the contact information in this booklet, alternatively you can get in touch with our Events Team at specialevents@nmrn.org.uk or call **02392 891370**.

Thank you.

By choosing to host your event with us, you are doing more than just booking a uniquely memorable venue. You are actively contributing to the conservation of Britain's naval heritage.