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The South West *Wedding Budget Guide*

Real cost ranges for a Devon & Cornwall wedding — venue, catering, flowers and everything else — built from local vendor pricing, published South West registrar fees, and industry survey data, broken down by guest count.

Please read before you budget against this: every figure in this guide is a rough regional estimate to help you plan, not a quote. Real costs vary by venue, supplier and exact guest count — always confirm actual prices directly with your chosen suppliers.

HOW THIS GUIDE WAS BUILT

Where these numbers come from

Every wedding is different, and no guide can tell you exactly what your day will cost — but most South West budgeting advice online is either a generic UK-wide average with no regional adjustment, or a national spreadsheet that's never seen a Devon barn or a Cornish clifftop. This guide blends real, sourced South West and UK data with sensible guest-count scaling, and is honest about which parts are directly sourced versus estimated.

Directly sourced (real pricing, not estimated): venue hire figures come from current Devon wedding-venue market listings; ceremony/registrar fees are Cornwall Council's official published 2026/27 price list; photography & film uses Eyecandy's own real published packages; catering per-head rates come from South West-specific pricing guides for Exeter, Plymouth and Cornwall; hair & makeup and florist figures come from published South West/UK vendor rate cards; DJ pricing comes from a national wedding-entertainment cost survey.

BRIDEBOOK UK WEDDING REPORT 2026 · CORNWALL COUNCIL REGISTRAR FEES · DEVON VENUE MARKET DATA · SOUTH WEST CATERER PRICING · EYECANDY PACKAGE PRICING · FIXTHEMUSIC DJ COST SURVEY 2026

Modelled, not directly sourced: dress, menswear, rings, decor, transport, stationery, accessories, wedding planner, toastmaster, insurance and honeymoon figures are drawn from Bridebook's UK 2026 category averages, adjusted up ~8% for the South West (Bridebook's own regional figure), then scaled per guest-count tier. Treat these as a sensible starting point, not a quote.

Use this to have better conversations with suppliers — not to hold anyone to a number. Every venue and vendor quotes differently, and the only way to know your real cost is to ask them directly. Want to talk through your actual venue and guest list? Call Gareth on **07590 529 186** — he's shot 350+ of these and happily talks timing and budget, not just photos.

GUEST-COUNT BREAKDOWN

Three typical South West weddings

Costs shift a lot with guest count — not just catering, but flowers, favours and venue minimum spends too. These three tiers show how a typical South West wedding budget scales.

Intimate — 30–50 guests

Core total: ~£13,700

CATEGORY	ESTIMATE
Venue hire (excl. catering)	**£900**
Catering — wedding breakfast	**£2,800**
Catering — evening food	**£720**
Photography & film	**£695**
Ceremony / registrar fees	**£620**
Dress	**£1,495**
Menswear	**£695**
Rings / jewellery	**£1,030**
Florist	**£738**
Decor & styling	**£1,140**
Cake	**£320**
Hair & makeup (bridal party)	**£510**
Music — ceremony	**£200**
Music — reception (DJ/band)	**£675**
Transport	**£480**
Stationery	**£185**
Accessories	**£435**
Wedding insurance	**£65**
Core wedding-day total	**£13,700**
+ Wedding planner (optional)	*£1,505*
+ Toastmaster (optional)	*£500*
+ Honeymoon	*£2,200*

Medium — 80–120 guests

Core total: ~£25,840

CATEGORY	ESTIMATE
Venue hire (excl. catering)	**£2,200**
Catering — wedding breakfast	**£8,000**
Catering — evening food	**£2,200**
Photography & film	**£1,295**
Ceremony / registrar fees	**£790**
Dress	**£1,660**
Menswear	**£930**
Rings / jewellery	**£1,145**
Florist	**£1,446**
Decor & styling	**£1,520**
Cake	**£500**
Hair & makeup (bridal party)	**£990**
Music — ceremony	**£350**
Music — reception (DJ/band)	**£1,100**
Transport	**£640**
Stationery	**£410**
Accessories	**£485**

GUEST-COUNT BREAKDOWN, CONTINUED

Large South West weddings

Large — 150+ guests

Core total: ~£41,695

CATEGORY	ESTIMATE
Venue hire (excl. catering)	**£3,800**
Catering — wedding breakfast	**£15,300**
Catering — evening food	**£4,320**
Photography & film	**£1,995**
Ceremony / registrar fees	**£890**
Dress	**£1,905**
Menswear	**£1,210**
Rings / jewellery	**£1,315**
Florist	**£2,214**
Decor & styling	**£1,975**
Cake	**£700**
Hair & makeup (bridal party)	**£1,330**
Music — ceremony	**£500**
Music — reception (DJ/band)	**£1,800**
Transport	**£835**
Stationery	**£715**
Accessories	**£560**
Wedding insurance	**£120**
Core wedding-day total	**£41,695**
+ Wedding planner (optional)	*£1,920*
+ Toastmaster (optional)	*£640*
+ Honeymoon	*£4,200*

> **Remember:** these are starting points, not spending targets. Plenty of South West couples spend less by trading formal catering for a hog roast, skipping a wedding planner, or keeping the guest list tight — and plenty spend more on a marquee build or a multi-day venue takeover. Use the editable spreadsheet that comes with this guide to plug in your own real quotes as you get them.

WANT TO TALK THROUGH YOUR ACTUAL NUMBERS?

Every South West wedding is different

Venue, guest list, season and style all move these numbers around. Give Gareth a call and talk through what your day will actually cost — no obligation, just a straight answer from someone who's shot 350+ of these.

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