

Self-Catering, DIY Eco-Wedding Venue with Marriage License

The setting is a Soil Association certified organic farm and Grade 2* listed farmhouse with a quarter of its electricity supplied by solar PV generator. There's four hundred acres of farm and forest with fabulous views from the recently renovated thatched cider barn. Surrounded by gardens and a solar heated swimming pool, all of this precious landscape is available to you when you hire Middle Coombe for your wedding.

MIDDLE COOMBE FARM'S WEDDING PACKAGE FOR 2011 - £5,900

(Exceptions: Peak season date 15 July plus £1,500)

Our Wedding Package now includes hire of licensed Cider Barn and Devon Farmhouse. Accommodation as follows:

- Hire of [Cider Barn](#) for 70 people over 4 days from 3 pm Friday to 3 pm Monday
- Fully equipped bar space with commercial dishwasher
- Green Bar – fully licensed, equipped and staffed by Middle Coombe
- Self catering accommodation for up to 20 people in the [Farmhouse](#) and Annexe from Friday 3 pm to Monday 3 pm (see full accommodation [details on Page 5](#))
- Luxurious and relaxing open air hot tub in swimming pool garden
- Solar heated swimming pool with hot showers and changing room
- 220 acres of beautiful woodland
- Woodland glade ceremony site and/or stone circle ceremony site
- Straw bales for seating at ceremony sites
- One 4 wheel drive round trip to woodland ceremony site on wedding day
- Wedding Venue license which covers ceremonies in the Cider Barn, Farmhouse Sitting Room and Library (please note that you will still be required by the Registrar to pay their fee to conduct the marriage ceremony at Middle Coombe Farm.
- Tables & chairs for 80 guests
- Trestle tables for drinks, food, caterers etc
- All crockery and cutlery for 100 guests (3 settings - starter, mains, dessert, coffee / tea), glasses (champagne, wine, water / beer) plus tea / coffee pots and water urn.
- Linen for all tables provided
- Bar glasses for 100 guests
- Trestle tables for drinks, food, caterers etc.
- Fire brazier in stone circle and back yard with barrow load of wood
- Kids play ground
- Eco toilets and showers – fully serviced and cleaned for the duration of the weekend
- Men's outdoor eco "pissoir"
- Cleaning of barn floor, sinks and bar area after the wedding
- Solar lighting on pathways
- All electricity included
- Salmon and trout fishing nearby

OPTIONAL EXTRAS (for more detail see Additional Notes on Pages 5 to 7)

- **Extra wedding guests over the original 70 in the Barn**
The barn seats 70 guests including the bride, groom and children for a formal seated reception dinner. However we can accommodate up to 30 extra guests at £15 per person (babies under 2 years are free) with a total limit of 100 guests for an informal buffet reception, please discuss numbers with us. You will need to hire a marquee.
- **Marquee Hire**
£400.00 (includes floor matting and 2 interior lights) - highly recommended if you are planning to entertain between 70 and 100 wedding guests on the day. (For more details see Page 5)
- **Campers**
£12 per adult and £5 per child (up to age 12) per night. The campsite is in the field below the Cider Barn and adjacent to the woods. Access to eco toilets, hot showers, hot tub and solar heated swimming pool. (Camping procedures on Page 7)
- **Nuptial Tipi Tent**
£140 minimum 2 night stay, third night £50 - includes double futon bed with all bed linen, 2 fluffy towelling robes, crystal lamps, towels, hot water bottles, torch, umbrella, hairdryer, electric fan heater/cooler, electric kettle, tea & coffee, picnic basket, fruit and croissants/muffins for breakfast. Wonderful wedding night idea! Alternatively let your guests rent it for the same price.
- **Cleaning staff for Sunday/Monday clear up**
£15 per person per hour - we recommend a minimum of 2 staff. Please return everything to us in the same fashion it was given to you. Average clean up approx 4 hours with two staff.
- **Music**
Plugged in up to midnight, unplugged thereafter. Find musicians on our [website](#).
- **Additional Night's Hire of the Farmhouse Accommodation**
£150 per night minimum charge for two and additional guests £30 per person per night, added onto the £150. You could spend all, or some, of your honeymoon on site once the wedding weekend is over, staying on your own or with your family and friends, a time for relaxation after the great event, 'cocombed' in love! For instance, a recent couple organized a week of entertainment at Coombe for themselves and their guests - the fun included line dancing, yoga, falconry, massage, tipi, yurt and willow construction, then they traveled by train to sunny Spain to complete their honeymoon.

Animals

We welcome dogs at a charge of £10 per dog

- **Celebrants - Humanist/Interfaith/Pagan - Handfasting** - We can put you in touch with celebrants to suit the ceremony you would wish. We recommend:
 - Alison Orchard Tel: 01363 77 49 71 E-mail: alison@kjo.global.net.co.uk
 - Jackie Brown Tel: 01872 553138

- **Relaxation Therapies** - find out more information on our [website](#)
- **Green/eco-wedding organiser** Rosie Ames has the inside info. on everything locally green. Highly recommended. Offers several different services. More information at [GreenUnion](#) or Tel: 01769 550580 Email: rosie@greenunion.co.uk

If you would like to know more we can provide the details - The above is just a guide, we can help you plan any extras you may require over and above the main wedding package. We are constantly updating links to bands, caterers, tent people and many other [wedding suppliers and services](#).

Viewings

Your first visit to view Middle Coombe Farm, to ascertain if it is an option for your wedding, should last approx 1.5 -2 hours. The show-through takes you to the cider barn, the farmhouse, the grounds, the stone circle and the ceremonial oak tree in the woods. Afterwards we'll sit and discuss your favoured options over tea/coffee.

We book viewings on Fridays at 12.00 pm. Viewing the house needs to be completed by 2pm in order not to disturb guests already in residence or just moving in. Once people have moved in, the house becomes their space, their house for the duration.

Your first visit to Middle Coombe Farm is complimentary. Thereafter we would appreciate your conducting enquiries as much as possible by email/phone in order to save on travel, thus helping us all towards a better environment.

However if you wish to revisit for any reason, subsequent visits will be charged at £20 and donated to charity – we have picked Devon Air Ambulance who are the people we would call on if there was a medical emergency, they have in the past saved lives for us here!

If what we offer is what you want:

- Check the Tiverton Registrar's office for available dates: Tel. 01884 252913 or 0845 155 1002
- [Check our website](#) for available dates in 2011.
- Give us a ring or email us for information and viewing arrangements: Tel. 01884 82117 or email info@coombefarmwoods.co.uk

Our payment terms are:

- £100 up front, non-refundable booking fee to secure your wedding date.
- 1/3 of the wedding package costs to be paid 12 calendar months before your wedding date (if your wedding date is less than 12 calendar months away, we will require 1/3 payment at an early date, set by us, once your wedding date is booked).
- There is a damage deposit fee of £400 payable 6 weeks prior to your stay and it will be refunded one week after your stay provided any damage has not been caused. (We do not bank this cheque we just hold it)
- Balance of wedding package and accommodation costs to be paid 6 weeks prior to your wedding date.

All prices are inclusive of VAT .

We reserve the right to increase our prices should any unforeseen circumstances arise.

Upgrading Work in Progress for 2011:

We are constantly working on upgrading our facilities and recent work completed, or to be completed, by 2011 includes the following:

- A luxurious open-air hot tub has recently been installed in the swimming pool garden.
- The bar area is equipped with a brand new commercial dishwasher and is having a facelift - it will have a proper floor and doors to protect it from dirt and wild life.
- The play area is now totally equipped with safety mats.
- Gravel pathways are being laid through the woodlands eliminating potential boggy walks to the woodland glade ceremony site.

ADDITIONAL NOTES TO HELP YOU PLAN YOUR WEDDING AT MIDDLE COOMBE

(Attached on Page 8 is an Extras Cost Chart for you to calculate your wedding budget)

Peak season date - 15th July 2011 attracts an **additional £1,500**. However this price also includes a week's accommodation in the Farmhouse and Annex for up to 20 guests.

Farmhouse Accommodation includes:

- Cobbled back yard with massive fireplace suitable for BBQ. The back courtyard open fire is set and ready for your use.
- Fully equipped kitchen with Aga and all mod. cons.
- Excellent music system in the lounge. Amplified music up till midnight then unplugged thereafter.
- Concert pitch tuned piano in the library.
- Bed Linens & Towels.
- Traditional Devon cream teas or home made cake on arrival. All organic & locally made, teas and coffee are fair trade.
- A full basket of wood with a ready-made fire.
- Washer & dryer, iron and ironing board.
- 2 x travel cots and 1 full sized wooden cot (guests will need to bring their own baby bedding).
- Children under 2 years are free and are not included in the count of 20.

Marquee:

The Marquee is usually erected alongside the cider barn. The cost includes Coombe staff putting it up and taking it down. During exceptional weather conditions we may prefer to erect the marquee down by the stone circle. The final decision for this takes place on the wedding weekend, according to the weather forecast. The marquee is a Capri Party Tent with windows along one side of the tent giving views of the countryside outside. It accommodates 50 guests seated, 80 guests standing. You can see it in situ on the [wedding photos page](#) on our website.

Green Bar:

We provide a fully licensed and equipped bar staffed by Middle Coombe, which includes a toasting drink, Devon Blush, for 70 guests. The Devon Blush will be uncorked, poured by our staff into glasses provided, and set up in the bar for your guests to collect. (We can supply alternative toasting drinks if preferred, prices on request.)

Wine for the dinner table - You are welcome to bring your own wine for the meal, however we will supply your drinks for the rest of the day - please refer to the bar list below. Your wine will be set at each table by our bar staff for your guests to open (corkscrews provided). Alternatively we can supply wine for your meal at £10 - £12 per bottle.

Bar list - we source local drinks wherever possible and the prices listed below is a guide:

- **Ale** - Cotleigh or Exmoor supplied in bottles or a keg depending on the size of the wedding party @ £1.50 a 1/2 Pint; £2.50 a pint
- **Organic Cider** - Middle Coombe Farm @ £1.50 a 1/2 pint; £2.50 a pint
- **Devon Blush** - Sparkling cider with blackberry liqueur made in Devon @ £15 bottle; £4 a glass. This is a great toasting drink, which is locally made, and an excellent alternative to champagne. We offer this as a toasting drink. Supplied by the bottle and served in champagne glasses
- **Organic White and Red Wines** - Sourced from a local wine merchant, not locally produced @ £10 - £12 per bottle; £2.50 - £3 per glass
- **Pimms** with all the trimmings - £2.50 per glass
- **Lager** - Peroni in bottles 330ml @ £3 per bottle
- **Juices** - organic apple and orange juice @ £1.50 per glass
- **Rock Organic Cordials** - choice of orange, blackcurrant, lemon and elderflower @ £1 per glass

If there is any drink not on the list that you would like us to offer, please ask and we will see if we can provide it.

We are very aware of not wanting to overcharge so we do our best to keep prices very reasonable as our aim is to make the bar option affordable for everyone! However we do reserve the right to change our prices and products.

Round trip to the woodland ceremony site:

4 wheel drive journey to the oak tree at the woodland ceremony site if you are having your ceremony there. This could be for Bride and Groom, infirm or elderly guests or musicians' instruments, for instance. If you require more than one round trip we are happy to do this for an additional £15 per trip.

Straw Bales

We will supply 10 straw bales, for seating, either at the stone circle or at the woodland ceremony site. If you want to order more you may do so at £4 a bale

Outdoor activities and entertainment:

- Luxurious outdoor hot tub open all year round
- Outdoor Solar Heated Swimming Pool - Open from the beginning of May to the end of September.
- Kids Play Ground - Contains sand pit, trapeze, trampoline (covered in the winter months) and a living willow dome.
- 220 acres of beautiful woodland
- Extra wellies in the bar area stocked with various sizes of boots.
- Salmon and trout fly fishing free of charge on our own nearby private stretch of the River Exe. Salmon season 14 February to 30 September; Trout season 15 March to 30 September (should be arranged in advance of your stay).

Campers:

If your guests are camping we will require a list of guests in advance of the wedding. This can just be shown on your wedding list with 'camper' and the nights they are camping added next to the guests' names.

Procedure on arrival:

- Middle Coombe staff will be available on Friday night from 7 pm to 9 pm and on Saturday, usually one and a half hours prior to the starting time of the day.
- Campers should check into the office and pay their pitch fee no later than 12 noon - £12 per adult and £5 per child (up to age 12) per night, babies up to 2 years are free. They will then be shown the facilities, where to pitch their tents and a given health safety talk by Middle Coombe staff.
- Good weather: Campers can drive onto the field when the weather is good and the ground is dry, unload and take their cars back up to the car park.
- Bad weather: Campers can drive down to the Cider Barn, unload at the barn and take their cars back up to the car park, before pitching their tents.

It's a great idea if you can include this information for your guests when you send out your invitations.

Reducing your carbon footprint:

We pride ourselves on our green and sustainable events. As well as the 5.5kw solar generator, solar heated swimming pool, organic farm and sustainable managed forestry, transport is crucial. We have good on-site parking but would also ask you to include in your wedding invitation information to encourage guests to come to your wedding by public transport and/or sharing cars/taxis/minibuses.

Please check the website for our eco policies and further information on transport, especially trains, and nearby places to stay which are easily accessible by local taxis. Take the train; take the strain off the drivers! Help lighten our carbon footsteps!

Our record lack of vehicles for a 70 people wedding and reception was nine cars in the car park and one Dormobile! <http://www.coombefarmwoods.co.uk/transport>

We have attached the cost chart below in order to help you calculate your wedding budget

| Item Description (Refer to 2011 Wedding Package for details) | Unit Price | Unit Quantity | No. of Hours | Total Cost |
|--|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Wedding Package 2011 | 5900 | - | - | |
| Peak season supplement (15 July) | 1500 | - | - | |
| Extra wedding guests (babies under 2 years free) | 15 | | - | |
| Marquee Hire | 400 | - | - | |
| Campers' pitch fee - adults | 12 | | - | |
| Campers' pitch fee - children (up to age 12) | 5 | | - | |
| Nuptial tent tipi - minimum 2 nights | 140 | - | - | |
| Nuptial tent tipi - 3rd night | 50 | - | - | |
| Ale ½ pint | 1.50 | | - | |
| Ale 1 pint | 2.50 | | - | |
| Organic Cider - ½ pint | 1.50 | | - | |
| Organic Cider - 1 pint | 2.50 | | - | |
| Devon Blush Sparkling Cider- bottle | 15 | | - | |
| Devon Blush Sparkling Cider - glass | 4 | | - | |
| Organic red wine - bottle | 12 | | - | |
| Organic red wine - glass | 3 | | - | |
| Organic white wine - bottle | 12 | | - | |
| Organic white wine - glass | 2.50 | | - | |
| Pimms with all the trimmings - glass | 3 | | | |
| Lager - Peroni 330ml | 3 | | - | |
| Juices - apple or orange - per glass | 1.50 | | - | |
| Rock Organic Cordials - orange, blackcurrant, lemon or elderflower - per glass | 1 | | - | |
| Cleaning up staff @ £15 per hour per cleaner | 15 | | | |
| Additional nights in farmhouse minimum charge £150 per night for two | 150 | | - | |
| Additional nights in farmhouse for extra guests @ £30 per night each | 30 | | - | |
| Animals - dogs only @ £10 each | 10 | | - | |
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| GRAND TOTAL | | | | |