

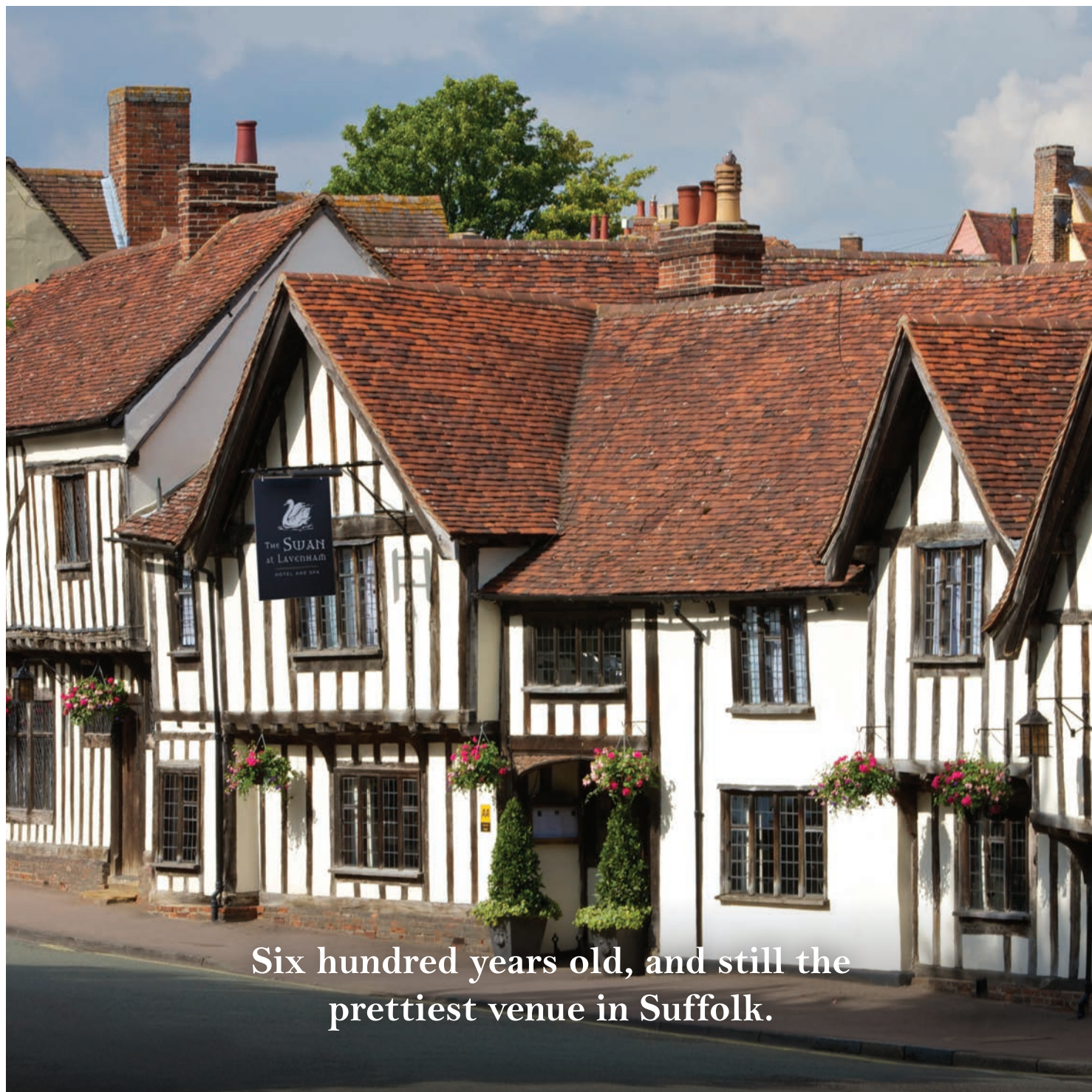


THE SWAN
at LAVENHAM

HOTEL AND SPA

WEDDINGS

Ceremonies for 2 to 104 • 47 bedrooms • Two AA Rosette dining
A spa across the courtyard • Weddings from £4,000



Six hundred years old, and still the
prettiest venue in Suffolk.



EVERYONE YOU LOVE, UNDER ONE VERY OLD ROOF

The Swan has stood at the heart of Lavenham since the 15th century, when wool made this village rich and this building beautiful. Ancient oak beams. Inglenook fires. A minstrels' gallery above the room where you might eat. And beyond the front door, the best preserved medieval village in England.

Here, everyone in the room is someone you love. Twenty of you around one table. Forty beneath the beams of the Wool Hall.

A hundred, if you would like the whole hotel to yourselves.

Gillian, our events manager, will take care of every detail, so that you can get on with enjoying the best day of your life. Our kitchen holds two AA Rosettes. The spa is thirty steps across the courtyard, for whenever it all becomes a little much. And when the night is over, there is a four-poster bed waiting, and the deep peace that settles over a village this old after dark.



Two AA Rosettes. Your guests will still be talking about the food on your tenth anniversary.



FOUR ROOMS, ALL LICENSED FOR CEREMONIES

The McCallum.

A high vaulted ceiling and an inglenook fireplace, for up to 24.
Small enough that nobody is stranded at the far end.

The Suffolk.

Leaded windows and light pouring in, for up to 30.

The Wool Hall.

Beams, history and a proper sense of occasion, for up to 40.
Built when wool was money, and hosting Lavenham's
celebrations ever since.

The Gallery.

High timbers, a minstrels' gallery and a grand piano,
for up to 104.

Prefer a church? St Peter and St Paul's is six minutes' walk, and
everything will be ready for you when you get back.







TWO SWANS

For the two of you, and up to forty people you love

Swans pair for life, which is why our smallest wedding is named after them. This is a wedding stripped back to the parts that matter: your vows, a long and very good lunch, and a bed upstairs when it is over. No evening party, no seating plan headaches, no receiving line.

Just the people you would happily have dinner with anyway.

You marry in the McCallum, the Suffolk or the Wool Hall, whichever suits your number, and you eat together afterwards. Goodbyes and carriages at six, and then the village is yours for a walk before bed.

The McCallum, up to 24 guests, from £4,000.

The Suffolk, up to 30, from £4,850.

The Wool Hall, up to 40, from £6,200.

Including the room and your civil ceremony, a three-course wedding breakfast with tea and coffee, and the bridal suite with breakfast for the two of you on the night of your wedding.



Walk out of the front door into the
best-preserved medieval village in England.



A BEVY OF SWANS

The Wool Hall, the Suffolk and fifteen bedrooms

A bevy is the proper word for a group of swans. It is also the right word for forty people you want to spend your special day with.

The Wool Hall and the Suffolk are yours from late morning, while the hotel carries on quietly around you. Forty for the ceremony and the wedding breakfast beneath six-hundred-year-old beams.

Fifty in the evening, with a buffet and music at a level you can talk over. The night draws to a close at eleven.

Fifteen bedrooms are yours for the night, including the bridal suite, so the people closest to you are still there at breakfast.

From £12,500. Forty in the day, fifty in the evening, fifteen bedrooms for the night.

That is the rooms at £1,600, food and drink at £160 a head, and the fifteen bedrooms from £4,500. Extra evening guests £35 each.



Forty-seven bedrooms, which means
nobody has to leave.



THE WHOLE SWAN

Every room, every bed, the whole building

Take the lot. Both restaurants, the lounge, the Airmen's Bar, the secret garden, the courtyard, the McCallum, the Suffolk, the Wool Hall and every bedroom in the building. For a day and a night, The Swan belongs to you and there is nobody else in it.

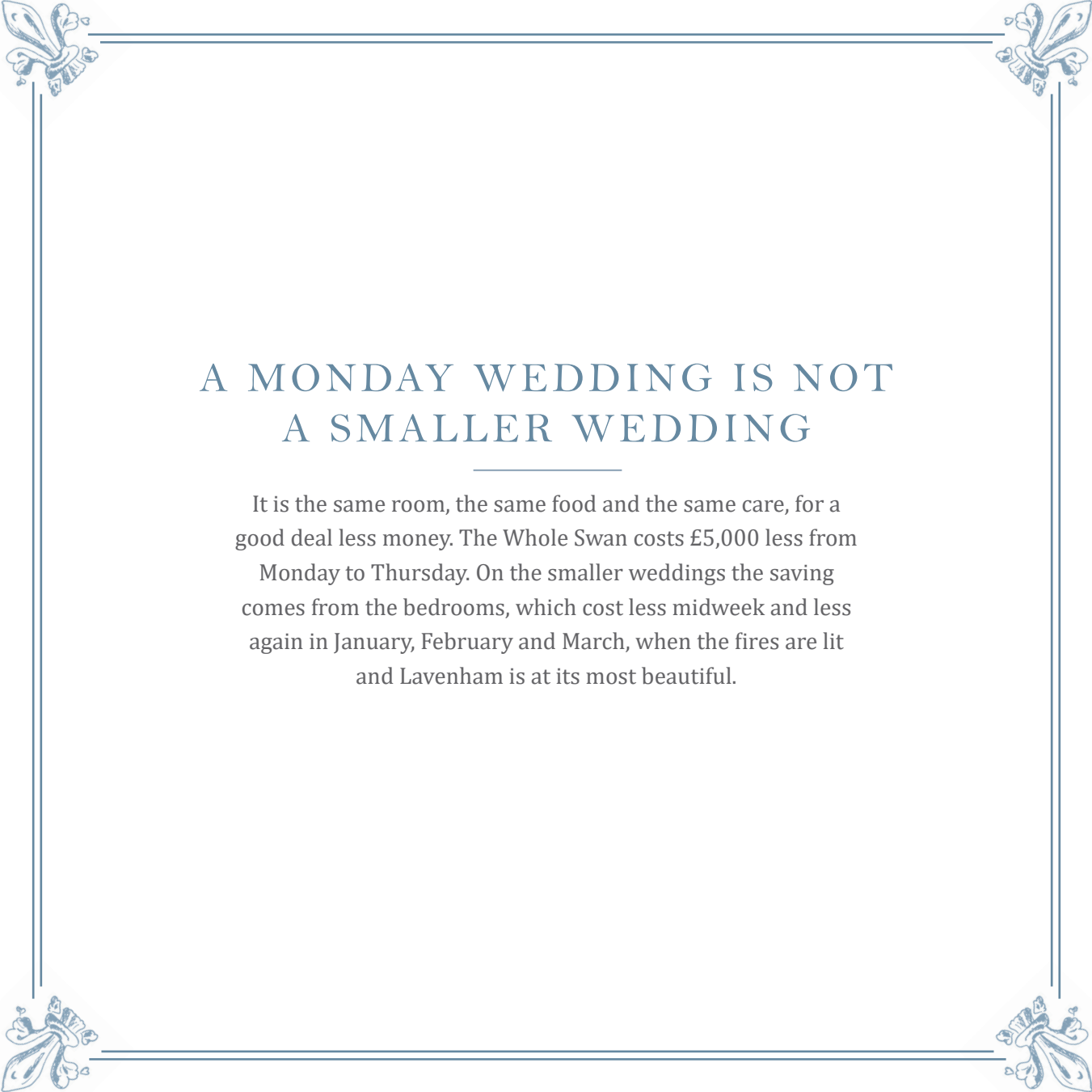
You marry in The Gallery under the timbers, with the minstrels' gallery above you. You eat wherever you like. There is live music or a disco until eleven, and nobody to ask you to keep it down. In the morning everyone comes down to breakfast together, still talking about the night before.

£30,000 Monday to Thursday.
£35,000 Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
Up to 104 guests, 47 bedrooms and suites.

The Lavenham Priory Suite and the The Priory Dairy come with it.
Music, photography, flowers and the cake are yours to arrange.



Woven together, in the village
that wool built.



A MONDAY WEDDING IS NOT A SMALLER WEDDING

It is the same room, the same food and the same care, for a good deal less money. The Whole Swan costs £5,000 less from

Monday to Thursday. On the smaller weddings the saving comes from the bedrooms, which cost less midweek and less again in January, February and March, when the fires are lit and Lavenham is at its most beautiful.





NOBODY REMEMBERS THE CHAIR COVERS

They remember the food.

The Gallery holds two AA Rosettes, which is unusual for a wedding venue and the reason people talk about lunch here weeks afterwards. Our head chef would far rather build a menu around dishes you love than hand you a set list. A menu tasting for the two of you comes with A Bevy of Swans and The Whole Swan.

Every package includes the same food and drink: a glass of Prosecco or sparkling elderflower as you arrive, three canapés, three courses, then teas and cafetière coffee. £125 a head. Champagne instead of Prosecco is £12 a person. Fillet of Beef is £30, Beef Wellington £28.



An early autumn wedding breakfast might look like this.

Honey-glazed Roasted Celeriac, Truffled goats' cheese, apple, candied walnuts

Crab Scotch Egg, seaweed salad cream

Roast Sirloin of Beef, Savoy cabbage, glazed carrot, thyme and garlic cocotte potatoes

Hake, spinach, roasted cauliflower mash, chive beurre blanc

Sticky Toffee Pudding, apple compôte, clotted cream

Teas and cafetière coffee

Dietary requirements are never a problem, only a conversation.





A spa in a 15th century Weavers' house,
thirty steps across the courtyard.



THE CALM BEFORE

an afternoon at Weavers' House Spa

Our spa sits in a 15th century Weaver's house, a few steps across the courtyard. Six treatment rooms, a sauna, a steam room and an outdoor vitality pool.

Deep tissue and hot stone massages. Facials. Hands and feet done properly. And a couples' room, if you would rather disappear together.

Do book ahead, as it is a small spa, and treatments are for guests aged sixteen and over. Come the afternoon before to slow everything down, or send everyone over the morning after. Either way it turns a wedding day into an extra special wedding weekend.







THE NIGHT BEFORE, AND THE NIGHT AFTER

A short stroll from the hotel, with its own front door on Water Street, the Lavenham Priory Suite is the loveliest place we have to offer you.

Downstairs, a lounge with a fireplace, beams everywhere and a kitchenette. Through the stable door, a private walled courtyard with flowers and a table for two. Upstairs, a king-size four-poster, a roll-top bath and a walk-in rainfall shower. There is a second bedroom too, if your closest people are staying.

Some couples take it the night before, to wake up slowly and get ready in their own time. Others save it for the night after, when everyone else has gone home and the whole thing is finally, quietly, yours. It comes as part of The Whole Swan, along with The Priory Suite and The Priory Dairy.







THE PEOPLE WHO MAKE IT HAPPEN

Suffolk is full of quietly brilliant makers, and we have spent years working alongside them. We will happily introduce you, and we are just as happy for you to bring your own.

Flowers

Tulipa Botanica, Just Anne Flowers,
Cheryl's Flowers

Cakes

Marnie's Bakery

Photography

Lottie Photography, Gregg Brown Weddings,
Countless Captures by Sarah

Hair and make-up

Pretty Faces, Emma B Beauty

Styling and hire

T&M Styling, Epic Event Hire

And beyond this list: celebrants, musicians, calligraphers, dressmakers, cheesemongers, vintage car owners and a great many florists we have not met yet. Ask Gillian. She knows everyone.

The full list, with contacts and web links, lives at
www.theswanatlavenham.co.uk/weddings/wedding-suppliers



One person, from your first email to the morning after.



THE SPARKLING FINISHING TOUCHES INCLUDED IN EVERY PACKAGE

Tables, chairs, white linen, silverware, glassware and crockery

Cake stand and knife, and your place cards

Breakfast the next morning for everyone staying

Two hours in the spa's heat and relaxation suites, for every guest,
booked ahead with the spa

A master of ceremonies. Our manager on duty
walks the day through with you

A late check-out at 12.30pm for the two of you.

A menu tasting for the two of you,
with A Bevy of Swans and The Whole Swan

And two things that happen after you have booked:

**Two hours in the spa for the two of you,
within three months of the wedding**

**Twenty percent off your accommodation
on your first anniversary**

Worth knowing. We are licensed for ceremonies indoors. You book your registrar through Sudbury Registry Office on 0345 607 2080, and their fee is not part of ours. Rooms are yours from 11.30am to decorate, bedrooms from 3pm, and earlier from 1pm at £20 a room. Check-out is 11am. Music finishes at 11pm. Dogs are welcome. Gillian, our events manager, looks after you from your first email to the morning after.



COME AND SEE US

Ring or write to Gillian. She will show you round, answer everything and hold a date while you think about it. There is no charge, there is no pressure, and there is usually cake.

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Prices apply to weddings held in 2026.

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