

Churches are special places and there are some things about a church wedding that you just can't get anywhere else.



A church is so much more than simply a venue for your wedding. Unique and special things become part of your marriage, on the day itself and beyond:

- A church wedding will add a spiritual dimension to your marriage. The ceremony includes God and looks to him for help and guidance. God's blessing is the main attraction for many couples, whatever their beliefs.
- You can make amazing vows, or promises, in a church. You can only make vows this big in a church. These vows, made in public, will help you to stay together and grow together. God and your church are there for you to help you keep your vows.
- The Vicar has a very particular role to play in your wedding. They can blend ancient tradition and modern experience to reflect your story. Because of the relationship with the Vicar, your wedding can be made personal, memorable, meaningful and beautiful.

- Church buildings offer outstanding beauty. Old or new, intimate or grand, our 16,000 churches are some of the nation's most stunning wedding venues, with two-thirds being listed buildings.
- Church buildings offer centuries of history. Imagine all the couples who have married in your local church, some of whom may well be your family. You can feel you're becoming part of history itself, the bigger plan, by marrying in the same place as your relatives. We know these sorts of connections can make your day even more special.
- You can be involved in making choices about your ceremony. You can even use our online ceremony planner to get you started.
- For some people, a church simply seems like the proper place to get married. Churches can be described as "peaceful", "serene", or have an atmosphere that makes marrying there a particularly special experience.
- And after your wedding, you'll realise that a church is more than simply a wedding venue. We'll always be here for you.

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A church with a square tower surrounded by blossom trees

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A bride and groom smiling at the front of church

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Some confetti lying in the grass

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Bride and groom signing the register with their son on his dad's knee

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Wedding flowers with guests, the couple and the bridesmaids out of focus in the background

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simple flowers in jam jars on the ends of pews

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Booking a church

A vicar laughing with a wedding couple

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Meeting the vicar

A bride and groom being blessed by a vicar

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Seven steps to a heavenly wedding

Inside a church. A church window with a lit candelabra in front of it

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A white wedding car stopped by a lychgate

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