Dear Bride and Groom,

May I take this opportunity to offer my very best wishes to you both on your forthcoming wedding. I am delighted that you are considering holding your special day with us at Meldrum House.

Set in 240 acres of grounds and surrounded by parklands that are now the home to Meldrum House Country Hotel and Golf Club, our 4-gold star 13th century baronial manor house offers a wonderful romantic setting and a stunning backdrop for your wedding reception. Whether it is an intimate occasion or on a grander scale, we can tailor to your every need.

My events team will be in touch shortly to confirm you have all the information you require at this stage and arrange a suitable time for you to visit us. If you have any queries in the meantime, then please do not hesitate to contact Kim Davidson on 01651 872294 or by email at kim.davidson@meldrumhouse.com

I am confident that Meldrum House offers a unique environment and location for your special day.

Kind regards

Peter Walker General Manager



THE PROCESS AND PLANNING OF YOUR WEDDING DAY

- 1. Please read through this pack carefully and list any questions.
- 2. Arrange to have a wedding appointment and see around the Hotel. This gives you the perfect chance to raise any queries you have and get a feel for the building and its surroundings.
- 3. Contact the Hotel to provisionally set a date; that date is then provisionally held for you for a period of 14 days. After this time, the date will automatically be released.
- 4. Confirmation of your date is made by paying a deposit for £500.00 (five hundred pounds only) this can be by cheque/card/cash through the post or on the telephone. Along with your payment we **must** receive your completed booking form **and** a set of signed terms and conditions.
- 5. The Hotel will confirm the date and receipt of your deposit by post, along with a list of useful contacts to help you plan your big day and a copy of our required wedding details to help you get started.
- 6. We will contact you to arrange a wedding consultation with us to go through your arrangements, confirm details and numbers etc, 12 weeks before your wedding.
- 7. We then send you a copy of your "wedding details" for you to look through, check, edit and add to. Once you are satisfied that they are accurate and up-to-date, sign and return to us with any additional information, we will up-date your file on our system and then send out the amended copy for you to check, sign and return. This is ongoing until we have all the required details.
- 8. Throughout this process we will estimate your wedding costs based on information provided.
- 9. Eight weeks prior to your wedding you must have given the Hotel a copy of your room allocation list found on your wedding details, to say who is going into which bedroom. Any unallocated rooms are released at this stage.
- 10. Fourteen days prior, 100% of the estimated cost of your wedding must be paid. If payment is not made in time this may jeopardise your event as the Hotel reserves the right to demand full payment before your wedding.



Wedding Ceremony Rooms

Here at Meldrum House, you can hold religious, humanist and civil ceremonies and civil partnerships.

Wedding ceremonies can be held in a number of areas in the hotel:

The Stables seats a maximum of 100 guests - inclusive of marriage officiant (Registrar, Minister and Humanist)

Our Ballroom seats 200 guests (Registrar, Minister and Humanist)

If you are planning your ceremony at Meldrum House, you must make arrangements with a registrar, minister or a humanist yourself.

The hotel is not able to arrange the presence of these on your behalf.

A ceremony hire charge of £500.00 will apply to the stables or £1000.00 will apply for the ballroom.

Wedding Reception Rooms

If the hotel is being used for drinks reception, wedding breakfast and evening reception only and not for the official wedding ceremony, there will be no venue hire charge.

Charges applicable are drinks, food items and overnight accommodation only.



Pre-Wedding Buffet

If you and your family are staying the night prior, why not take advantage of one of our private dining areas to have a pre-wedding dinner? We offer a buffet menu for your guests from only £12.00 per person, and offer the room hire complimentary. Choose from:

Main Courses:

Beef or Vegetable Lasagne, garlic bread

Macaroni cheese, garlic bread

Chilli con Carne, rice, tortillas, grated cheese, sour cream

Chicken Curry, rice, poppadum's, mango chutney

'Mince and tatties', peas, carrots

All mains can be served with mixed leaves and tomato salad on request

Dessert:

Fruit Cheesecake; Apple Crumble; Chocolate Brownie

Choice of: 1 Main: £12.00 per person; 2 Mains: £16.00 per person Add 1 Dessert: £4.50 per person or 2 Desserts: £8.00 per person

Children's Menu available on request and charged as taken.



Bridal Breakfast

Staying in the hotel the night before? Then why not organise our special Bridal breakfast the morning of your wedding. Included in your room rate for 2 people with extra guests charged at £9.50 per person, we will deliver the following to your room:

Bacon roll

Pastries/butteries

Seasonal fruit kebabs

Orange juice

Fruit granola yoghurt pot

Why not add a glass of bubbly to get your day off to the best start?

Glass of Lone Wolf bloody Mary at £8.00 per person

Prosecco - Flute at £8.50 per person or £28.00 per bottle

Champagne - Flute at £11.00 per person or £49.00 per bottle



Canapés

Choice of any 4 canapés at £6.75 per person Any additional canapés priced £1.55 per canapé

Meat options

Mini shepherd's pie Haggis savouries Honey roast chipolatas Smoked duck rillettes Black pudding fritter

Fish options

Tempura prawns
Smoked salmon blini
Nuggets of cod, mushy peas
Sweet chilli prawn tartlet
Hot smoked salmon oatcake

Vegetarian options

Roast pepper & olive tapenade crostini
Cauliflower cheese risotto bon bon
Leek and cheddar quiche
Stilton and pear oatcake
Wild mushroom tart

Sweet treats

Chocolate dipped strawberries
Mini scones
Meldrum House macaroons
Mini chocolate éclairs
Bakewell tarts



Menu Selector

To begin

Melon pearls, prosecco jelly, champagne sorbet	£8.50	Carrot and coriander	£6.40
Cheddar and leek tart, sun blush tomato, rocket leaves	£8.20	Scotch broth	£6.40
Marinated tomato, mozzarella and red onion salad	£7.70	Butternut squash	£6.40
Cock-a-leekie terrine	£9.50	Lentil and bacon	£6.45
Meldrum House parfait, toasted brioche, grape chutney	£9.50	Meldrum House Cullen skink	£8.15
Haggis, neeps and tatties, whisky cream sauce	£7.50	Leek and potato	£6.40
Smoked haddock fish cake, aioli, dressed leaves	£9.50	Tomato	£6.40
Ham hock terrine, pickled pineapple, wholegrain mayonnaise	£9.50	Broccoli and Stilton	£6.40
Meldrum House prawn cocktail	£9.50		
Scottish smoked salmon	£11.75		



To Follow

24hr Slow cooked shin of Aberdeenshire beef, horseradish mash, bourguignon sauce	£24.50	Baked cod, green herb crust, mornay sauce	£20.50
Roast chicken breast, haggis bon bon, whisky cream sauce	£21.45	Fillet of Scottish salmon, crushed potatoes, chive butter	£21.00
Roast rib of Aberdeenshire beef, Yorkshire pudding,	£30.50	Rump of Aberdeenshire lamb, dauphinoise potatoes, rosemary jus	£25.20
pan gravy		Vegetarian Main Courses	
Chicken breast, with smoked cheese, tomato jus	£21.75	Aubergine and ratatouille stack, tomato fondue	
Fillet of Aberdeenshire beef, claret jus	£36.50	Mediterranean vegetable strudel	
Chicken filled with skirlie, wrapped in bacon, traditional gravy	£21.95	Wild mushroom and puy lentil pithivier	
Loin of Pork, Stornoway black pudding and roasted apple, cider cream sauce	£22.00	Goats cheese wellington, pickled beetroot	
		(The vegetarian option is included in the meal price)	

All main courses served with market vegetables and potatoes Add a Yorkshire pudding to any of our main courses for an additional £1.00 per person.

If you have a dish in mind which you do not see on our menu, or would like to customise any of the above choices to suit your own taste, please feel free to contact your wedding coordinator to discuss a personalised menu.



To end

Sticky toffee pudding, vanilla ice cream, toffee sauce	£8.75	Triple chocolate brownie, white chocolate ice cream	£9.75
Meldrum House Trifle	£9.25	Selection of Scottish cheeses, homemade chutney, handmade oatcakes	£12.00
Individual lemon meringue pie	£9.25	nandmade oatcakes	
Baked chocolate orange tart, yoghurt ice cream	£9.50	Teas and coffee	
Vanilla crème brulee, shortbread biscuit	£9.75	Tea or coffee, homemade fudge and shortbread hearts	£2.25
Bread and butter pudding, fresh egg custard	£8.25	Tea or coffee and petit fours	£3.00
Fresh fruit pavlova	£8.50		
Cranachan parfait, malt whisky syrup, raspberries	£9.25		

The selector menu is priced on the basis on one selection per course and the vegetarian option. If the choice is pre-ordered 2 weeks in advance, then it will be charged at the more expensive dish per course. If a choice on the day is desired then the cost of the meal is calculated on the following basis: (1) The price of the most expensive dish per course, (2) plus a supplement of £4.50 for the starter, supplement of £7.50 for the main course, supplement of £4.50 for the dessert, per person. This also increases your meal time from 1.5 hours to 2.5 hours.

Minimum numbers of 100-day guests are required on Fridays and Saturdays in April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November and December and a minimum number of 80-day guests for Fridays and Saturdays in January, February and March.



Young Diners (12 & under)

To begin

Cheesy garlic bread Heinz tomato soup Melon and fruit

To follow

Pork sausages
Chicken goujons
Posh fish fingers
Presly's burger
Macaroni cheese
served with either mash or chips
and a choice of vegetables, peas or beans

To finish

Ice cream and fruit sauce Chocolate brownie Fruit salad and ice cream

£17.50 per child 5 - 12 years £8.75 per child 4 years or under



Evening Buffet Options

Buffet A

Selection of freshly made sandwiches
Sausage rolls
Tea or coffee
£8.00

Buffet C

Macaroni cheese, tomato salad, garlic bread fingers £9.50

Buffet E

Fish and chips served in cones, with ketchup, salt and vinegar £10.00

Buffet B

Bacon rolls Tea or coffee £9.00

Buffet D

Stovies, beetroot and rough oatcakes
Tea or coffee
£9.50

Buffet F

Selection of mini pies steak, mince and skirlie, macaroni (two per person) Tea or coffee £11.00

We require that a minimum of 80% of your total number of guests are to be catered for, however we recommend catering for 100% of your total guests.



Refreshments

During your wedding reception, we recommend that you offer your guests an arrival drink, wine with their meal and a toast drink. Please see below a limited selection and prices, however we would be happy to provide you with a full bar price listing on request.

Laurent Perrier Brut at £49.00 Moet et Chandon Brut at £52.00 Veuve Clicquot Yellow Label at £63.00 House Prosecco £28.00

House Wines start from £22.50 per 70cl bottle Brume Di Monte, Pinot Grigio Silvestre Cabernet Sauvignon, Ochagavia

Drink of choice (Vodka/gin/whisky + mixer, bottled beers, house wines) at £5.00 per person

Jugs of Pimms at £5.00 per glass

Meldrum House Punch at £6.00 per glass

Mulled Wine at £7.00 per glass

Soft drinks from £2.00 per glass Still and Sparkling Water at £4.00 per 750ml

25ml of Whisky, Gin, Vodka from £4.00 Liqueurs from £4.50

> Draught Beers from £4.50 Bottled Beers from £4.00

Unfortunately, we do not allow corkage at Meldrum House.



Accommodation

We will automatically reserve a complimentary bridal suite within a 22-bedroom allocation made up of 20 standard and club rooms, Turrets and Lairds for the night of your wedding, subject to availability. An individual booking code will be issued to you for these rooms once the deposit and signed paperwork has been received. Once the bridal suite and immediate family rooms have been chosen by yourselves, guests can then book into your remaining allocation using the code at the Event Attendee rate over the phone via our reception team. Any bedrooms unallocated will automatically be released 8 weeks prior to your arrival date and we cannot guarantee that any released rooms will be available again after this time. All rooms need to be secured with individual guest credit card details at time of booking. Any rooms not used but booked by the bride and groom for family will be charged to the wedding account. If you do not require the full 22 bedrooms, please let us know at time of booking and we can offer a lower allocation.

<u>High season: April – September</u>

Standard: £170.00 bed and breakfast per room Club: £185.00 bed and breakfast per room Deluxe: £230.00 bed and breakfast per room

Junior Suite: £245.00 bed and breakfast per room

Low season: October - March

Standard: £150.00 bed and breakfast per room Club: £165.00 bed and breakfast per room Deluxe: £210.00 bed and breakfast per room Junior Suite: £225.00 bed and breakfast per room

As part of your wedding literature you will receive a bedroom allocation sheet which we require you to complete with any family rooms you wish to reserve prior to giving the booking code to your guests. If your wedding party require additional rooms, they must be booked direct with the hotel and guaranteed with a credit card and are subject to availability. Please note that no bedrooms are held the night before or after the wedding, this is done on request only and subject to availability.

Guests may check in to rooms from 2.00pm with check out at 11.00am.

Early check in cannot be guaranteed and is subject to availability.

Cancellations can be made up to 2pm prior to day of arrival without charge. After this time, cancellation fee's will be applied.

Children under 16 years stay complimentary if sharing the same room as parents, however will be charged at £9.50 for their breakfast.

Annual room rate reviews will come into effect from the 1st January each year.



WEDDING CHECKLIST

24 months

Book wedding venue, marriage officiant, video/photographers & band. Estimate guest numbers, choose Bridesmaids, Best Man and Ushers.

12 months

Organise wedding outfits Compile final guest list Book honeymoon

9 months

Book wedding cars Have dress fittings for Bride and Bridesmaids

8 months

Order your cake and wedding stationary

6 months

Organise wedding flowers; Buy wedding rings

4 months

Confirm service details with marriage officiant
Purchase gifts for your attendants
Post wedding invitations
Book hairdresser and make-up artist

3 months

Make a list of acceptance and regrets as they are received Post thank you letters/cards for gifts as they are received Arrange appointment with us to discuss wedding details

10 weeks

Provide bedroom allocation list to hotel.

8 weeks

Any unallocated rooms will be automatically released.

1 month

Confirm wedding details with us
Arrange seating plan
Visit hairdresser with head dress, and practise make-up
Prepare newspaper announcement
Check all wedding clothes are near completion

2 weeks

Provide us with table plan, dietary requirements, if required, final guest numbers and full pre-payment.

1 week

Have final rehearsal of wedding ceremony Final check on cake, transport, flowers and video/photographer Final dress fitting

1 day before

Deliver to us, all favours, table decorations, stationery which are to be put out by the hotel.

On the day

Deliver centrepieces and cake and then enjoy yourselves and leave the rest to us



FREQUENTLY ASKED WEDDING QUESTIONS

Bridal Suite

- **Q.** Do we receive a complimentary bridal suite?
- **A.** Meldrum House include a complimentary bridal suite within your allocation (either Lairds or Turrets).

Ceremony Room/Venue Hire

- Q. What are the hotel hire charges for function rooms for ceremonies and is there a venue hire?
- **A.** We only charge a ceremony room hire (costs noted below) if you are to get married here at the hotel, there are no further room hire charges for using a separate drinks reception area.

Stables £500.00 Ballroom £1000.00

If the ceremony is to take place elsewhere, at a church for example, no ceremony hire charges will apply, only food items, drinks and overnight accommodation. Meldrum House does not charge a venue hire, also as we are a public use hotel, we do not offer exclusive use although we do only permit one wedding per day.

- **Q.** Can the hotel book the marriage officiant for us?
- **A.** Meldrum House cannot book your marriage officiant, although the hotel can provide contact details.

Wedding Numbers

- **Q.** Do we have minimum numbers for weddings?
- **A.** Minimum day guest numbers of 80 are required on Friday and Saturdays during the months of January, February and March, a minimum of 100-day guests are required on Friday and Saturdays during the months of April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, and December.



Q. When are final guest numbers expected and are we refunded for any cancellations?

A. Final guest numbers are required no later than 14 days prior to your wedding and these will be the final numbers charged for. If the number of guests for the wedding meal decreases below the minimum number, then the minimum number will still be charged. No cancellations within 14 days of the wedding will be refunded. Final numbers provided later than the 2-week deadline will not be counted and previous information on guest numbers will be charged for.

Food and Beverages

Q. Can we provide our own foods/catering?

A. If you have any special preferences, do please ask, we would be happy to discuss your requirements with you and to source a particular product for you. We do not permit refreshments to be provided by any other parties unless previously agreed with the Hotel. Meldrum House does not allow corkage.

Due to strict Food Safety Laws (The Food Hygiene (Scotland) Regulations 2006 Act) all consumables of food can ONLY be provided by Meldrum House. Food products made by family and friends or other third parties are not allowed to be brought into the hotel. An exception to this is for registered professional food business companies (i.e. wedding cake and favour suppliers), this will only be allowed by the discretion of the General Manager.

Pricing Policy

Q. Are prices fixed at the time of booking and when will prices be confirmed for the following year?

A. Hotel prices for all food, drinks and accommodation increase each year and are not fixed at time of booking, these increases take effect from 1st January each year.



BOOKING FORM

To confirm your date please complete the following and return with a £500.00 non-refundable deposit and a signed terms and conditions form. Once checked and processed by the Hotel we will confirm your booking in writing:

Wedding Reception Day and Date Requested:		
Ceremony Venue: Ballroom \square Stables \square Else	ewhere (please state)	
Wedding Breakfast/Evening Reception Venue: Ballroom		
Is Accommodation required night before wedding? (Room	ns are subject to availability at time	of booking) Yes \square No \square If yes, number required?
Provisional Guest Numbers – Daytime:	Evening:	Total Number of Guests:
Name of Bride:	Name of Groom:	
Name of Main Contact:	Daytime 🕾:	Evening 🕾:
Full Address:		
Postal Code:		
Other Contact Numbers (Mobile):		
E-mail address:		
Signature of Bride:		
Signature of Groom:		
Date:		

I have read, understood, and agree to abide by the attached Terms and Conditions of Meldrum House Hotel Limited.

- Prices inclusive of V.A.T at the current rate.
- Please note that prices are not fixed and are subject to annual review on 1st January of each year.



TERMS & CONDITIONS OF BOOKING MELDRUM HOUSE HOTEL

The "Company" - Meldrum House Hotel Limited

The "Hotel"- Meldrum House Hotel

The "Client" - Those named in the Booking Form

The "Event" - The Function, Conference, Wedding, Dinner etc for which a booking has been made

The Company reserves the right to vary the following Terms and Conditions.

1. The Contract

All enquiries are dealt with and are thereafter processed by The Hotel, The Client will complete a Booking Form, a copy of which will be kept in the Client(s) file and written confirmation of the booking will be sent to the Client(s) within 4 working days of the date of intimation by the Client(s). The Client(s) shall be obliged to respond in writing by signing and returning the contract within 5 working days of receipt. The date of receipt shall be deemed to be 48 hours after the date of being sent by post and 24 hours after being e-mailed/faxed or given in person to the Client(s).

2. Payment

- (a) Full payment is due 14 days prior to the date of The Event.
- (b) Payment terms may be varied only by agreement with The Company in writing.
- (c) Any queries on any invoice must be raised within 5 working days of the date of the invoice and should any such queries remain unresolved within 3 working days thereafter it will be the obligation of The Client(s) to make immediate payment of the undisputed amount as provided for in (a) above.
- (d) The Company reserves the right to withdraw credit facilities, which may be in existence without explanation.

3. Variation in terms and conditions as contained in the Booking Form

- (a) Change in numbers it is the obligation of The Client(s) to provide details of final numbers attending The Event when requested to do so by The Hotel and, in any case, no less than 3 working days before The Event (Saturdays and Sundays being excluded as working days). Should the Client(s) desire to increase previously agreed numbers it will be solely at the discretion of The Hotel as to whether any increase will be permitted.
- (b) Should there be any diminution from those intimated as provided for in (3a) above, The Company reserves the right to charge in full in respect of the numbers as previously intimated at the time the booking was made/confirmed/accepted.

4. Client(s)/Guest use of The Hotel

- (a) The Company has statutory obligations without prejudice to that generality such as those incumbent upon The Company related to Liquor Licensing, Fire Regulations, Health and Safety and others. It is therefore the obligation of The Client(s) and their guests to comply with these requirements as may be directed and enforced by staff at The Hotel.
- (b) Clients and their guests are not permitted to consume any products not purchased from The Hotel at The Event. Consumables must be supplied by The Hotel or its authorised agents and without prejudice to the foregoing generality also excludes the consumption of prizes won at any Event.
- (c) Clients and their guests shall not act in an improper of disorderly manner. They shall also leave promptly at the appropriate time and comply with reasonable demands of The Hotel staff.



5. Cancellation of Events

- (a) By the Company The Event may be cancelled should any of the following circumstances occur:
- (1) The Hotel, or any part of it, is closed due to circumstances outwith the control of The Company;
- (2) The insolvency of the Client(s);
- (3) Where a deposit and instalment payments are being made to account for any future event organised/booked by The Client, then should there be arrears outstanding for more than 7 days, The Company reserves the right to cancel the contract; or
- (4) Any other circumstances that in the sole opinion of The Company would lead to either the reputation of The Hotel being damaged or damage being caused to the property of The Hotel.

 As a direct result of any of the consequences occurring, The Company will refund any advance payments made subject to any costs involved and absolves itself from any further liability.
- (b) By the Client(s) Should The Client(s) cancel a confirmed reservation less than 5 months in advance of The Event. The Hotel reserves the right to impose the following cancellation charges:
- (1) Cancellation less than 14 days in advance 100% of the total invoice amount.
- (2) Cancellation between 12 weeks and 14 days in advance 75% of the invoice amount.
- (3) Cancellation between 20 and 12 weeks in advance 40% of the invoice amount.
- (4) In all instances intimations of cancellation must be made in writing and will be effective on the date received by The Hotel or The Company. The Hotel or The Company will endeavour to mitigate its losses by advertising availability of the date(s) or taking any other steps, which, in its sole discretion will mitigate any loss to its Client(s), The Client(s) being liable for all reasonable expenses incurred by The Hotel or The Company.

6. Access Times

Reservations confirmed on a day rate* are accepted on the basis that access to the room is limited to the period between 8.00am and 6.00pm unless previously agreed by The Hotel and acknowledged in writing. Function rooms booked in series** on a day rate may be let for evening sessions by prior written arrangement. Unless arranged in advance, in writing by The Client, and confirmed in writing by The Hotel, rooms will require to be cleared in order to fulfil any other contract.

7. Damages Caused

The property of The Company, its patrons or any item within the curtilage of The Hotel whether in the ownership of The Company or not, will be charged to The Client.

8. Liability

- 1. The Company will take all reasonable steps to fulfil its obligations in respect of The Event, to the best of its ability and in accordance with the details provided but it reserves the right to provide alternative services of at least an equivalent standard at no additional cost to The Client(s).
- 2. Notwithstanding these Terms and Conditions. The Company will not be liable for any failure to perform its obligation to The Client(s) in whole or in part as a result of any of the following circumstances beyond the reasonable control of The Company including without limitations; -

(a) Strikes or industrial action (d) Civil Commotion (g) Acts of Terrorism

(b) Fire (e) Act of God (h) War or National Emergency

(c) Flood (f) Failure of Services (i) Governmental Actions

- 3. (a) Prices quoted are subject to annual review to be effective from 1st January and The Hotel reserves the right to alter prices without notice. This is also applicable to confirmed bookings. Price increases, in line with economic circumstances, will not result in Client(s) being entitled to resile from contracts.
 - (b) The Hotel reserves the right to add any new or additional tax/levy imposed by any lawful authority, which was not known at the time the contract was made.
- 4. The attention of Client(s) is drawn to the notices relative to the Liability Act and others displayed in The Hotel and also the car park with regard to the exclusion of Liability by The Hotel.
- 5. If any form of entertainment is to be provided at The Event it will remain the sole responsibility of The Client.
- 6. The Hotel will not be held responsible should any routine maintenance and external building work take part during the event, we will take every reasonable precaution to ensure minimal disruption occurs. All planned building work extensions/renovations shall be notified to the Client as information becomes available.



9. Accuracy of Information

Although every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information at the time of printing we cannot accept the responsibility for any errors or omissions and reserve the right to vary, amend or cancel any of the arrangements featured in our paperwork should we find such alterations necessary. We will of course do our best to inform you.

10. Severance Clause

If one clause is found to be illegal, invalid etc the remaining provisions of the contract remain in full force.

11. Governing Law

Scottish Law governs this contract.

12. Assignment

This contract is non-assignable by The Client, without prior written consent of The Company.

- * day rate Events booked to be held during the hours of 8.00 am 6.00 pm
- ** in series booked for continuous days during the hours of 8.00 am 6.00 pm

I have read and understood the above Terms and Conditions and agreed to this Contract:

SIGNATURE:		
DATE:	 	
PRINT NAME: _	 	
EVENT DATE:		