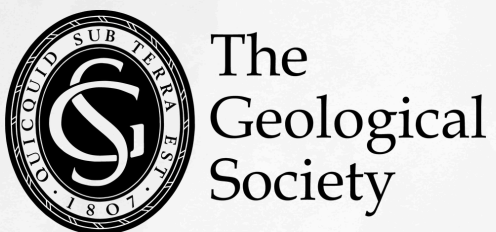




Weddings at the Geological Society 2026/2027



Elegant weddings in a heritage setting





Celebrate your special day in one of London's most remarkable historic venues

Nestled within the courtyard of Burlington House in the heart of Piccadilly, the Geological Society offers an unforgettable setting for intimate and elegant weddings.

Surrounded by centuries of scientific discovery and beautiful library spaces, your celebration becomes part of a story that spans generations.

A Truly Unique London Wedding Venue

Located in Burlington House's historic courtyard, the Geological Society offers an elegant setting for weddings in central London, perfect for hosting your ceremony, reception and wedding breakfast all in one place.

Our two stunning library spaces feature soaring ceilings, grand windows, and walls lined with rare scientific volumes and artefacts. These atmospheric rooms create a romantic backdrop for both ceremonies and receptions, offering a timeless setting filled with character and charm.

Whether you are planning an intimate ceremony or a stylish wedding breakfast with your closest family and friends, our experienced team will work closely with you to bring your vision to life.





Celebrate While Supporting Science

By choosing the Geological Society for your wedding, you are supporting the work of the world's oldest geological organisation.

Founded in 1807, the Society promotes the study of Earth science and supports research, education, and public engagement around the world. Income generated through venue hire helps maintain our historic building and supports the Society's charitable mission.

Your celebration contributes to preserving this remarkable institution for future generations.



The Grand Staircase

Make a striking entrance down the Grand Staircase at the Geological Society. This elegant, sweeping staircase, a true architectural feature of Burlington House, with ornate balustrades and classic detailing, provides a stunning backdrop for wedding photographs, whether capturing the first look, a group shot, or bridal portraits. Perfect for welcoming guests in style or for a memorable moment before your ceremony or reception.

The Lower Library

A breathtaking room lined with historic books and geological artefacts, ideal for wedding ceremonies and intimate receptions.

Its warm atmosphere and rich character create a truly memorable setting for exchanging vows and celebrating with your closest guests.





The Upper Library

Located directly above, this impressive space features high ceilings and natural light, creating a beautiful setting for wedding breakfasts and celebrations.

Together, these rooms allow for a seamless flow from ceremony to reception in one remarkable venue. Bathed in daylight and rich in architectural detail, it offers a refined and memorable setting to continue your celebrations.



The Sapphire Wedding

Sapphire evokes devotion, wisdom, and timeless elegance, celebrating the deep bond and enduring love shared between two hearts.

Ceremony & Reception | 3 hours (14:00 – 17:00)

An elegant and intimate celebration within our historic libraries, perfect for couples seeking a meaningful ceremony followed by a relaxed drinks reception.

Lower Library Ceremony

- Ceremony in the Lower Library (up to 36 guests)
- Reception in the Upper Library (up to 135 guests)

Upper Library Ceremony

- Ceremony in the Upper Library (up to 62 guests)
- Reception in the Lower Library (up to 150 guests)

£5,200

Food and drinks are not included in the room hire packages and will be arranged and charged separately.





The Ruby Wedding

Ruby embodies passion, romance, and devotion, celebrating the fiery love and heartfelt connection that bring two souls together.

Reception & Wedding Breakfast | 7 hours (16:00 – 23:00)

A stylish evening celebration with drinks, dining and conversation in one of London's most distinctive historic venues.

Lower Library Reception

- Drinks reception in the Lower Library (up to 150 guests)
- Wedding breakfast in the Upper Library (up to 48 guests)

Upper Library Reception

- Drinks reception in the Upper Library (up to 135 guests)
- Wedding breakfast in the Lower Library (up to 36 guests)

£7,200

Food and drinks are not included in the room hire packages and will be arranged and charged separately.

The Diamond Wedding

Diamonds represent strength, rarity and a love that lasts forever, symbolising the enduring bond between two hearts.

Ceremony, Reception & Wedding Breakfast | 11 hours (12:00 – 23:00)

Our full-day wedding experience allows you to celebrate every moment, from the ceremony to the wedding breakfast, in one remarkable historic venue.

Lower Library Ceremony

- Ceremony in the Lower Library (up to 36 guests)
- Drinks reception in the Upper Library (up to 135 guests)
- Wedding breakfast in the Lower Library (up to 36 guests)

Upper Library Ceremony

- Ceremony in the Upper Library (up to 62 guests)
- Drinks reception in the Lower Library (up to 150 guests)
- Wedding breakfast in the Upper Library (up to 48 guests)

£9,500

Food and drinks are not included in the room hire packages and will be arranged and charged separately.



FAQs

As you begin your planning journey, we have included answers to some of the most commonly asked questions below.

Is the Geological Society licensed for civil ceremonies?

Yes, we have two beautiful libraries licensed for marriages and civil partnership ceremonies.

Can I provisionally hold the date?

Absolutely! We can provisionally hold a date for up to two weeks while you and your partner make the all-important decision. To secure your wedding date, a 50% deposit of the total hire fee will be required, with the remaining 50% due one month before your wedding day. We also recommend visiting the venue during this time to see the spaces in person. Please note that dates are only confirmed once we receive your official confirmation.

Can we deliver or set up the day before an event?

As the Society has limited space and is open to the public most days, we're usually unable to arrange early deliveries or set-ups outside the hire period. However, we always try to accommodate special requests wherever possible.

Can we arrange to leave items in the venue overnight?

Due to space restrictions, we're usually unable to store items overnight, but we will always do our best to accommodate where we can.

Do I have exclusive use of the venue?

Yes! For weekend weddings, you will have exclusive use of the venue, so you and your guests can enjoy the day entirely for yourselves.

Can I bring my own caterers?

Yes! We do work with a fantastic caterer, who is used to our venue and can create a bespoke menu to suit your requirements, but if you would prefer to bring your own catering team onsite, we would be happy to discuss options with you.

Can we bring in our own drinks?

Yes, this may be possible with a corkage fee. Please contact the [Weddings Team](#) for further details.

Do you have 'getting ready' rooms?

Yes. The [Council Room](#) is included in all of our wedding packages and can be used as a getting-ready room on the day. If additional space is required, we also have several meeting rooms that may be available to hire. Our [Weddings Team](#) will be happy to provide further details and advise on any additional costs.

FAQs

Is there parking onsite?

Yes, we offer up to two parking spaces in the Burlington House courtyard. For additional parking, please speak to our [Weddings Team](#) for availability and costs.

Can I extend the hire?

We can apply for a limited number of late licenses with the local Council a year to extend the finish time to 01:00. Please speak to our [Weddings Team](#) for availability and costs.

Can children come?

Yes, children are welcome. Please speak to your caterer about children's menu options. Kindly note that we do not have dedicated child first aiders at the venue.

Can I bring my own suppliers?

We have a list of trusted suppliers we've worked with on previous events and would be happy to provide recommendations. You're also welcome to bring your own suppliers, but please note that all suppliers must hold valid public liability insurance ahead of your special day.

How do I get a marriage licence?

Westminster City Council is the local council for the venue. You'll need to contact them directly to arrange the legal ceremony and obtain your marriage licence.

Do you have bedrooms on-site?

We do not have any accommodation on-site, but we do have several hotels within a short walking distance.

Do you offer a discount for fellows of The Geological Society of London?

Yes, we do! As a fellow, you can receive a 20% discount. This discount applies to all the wedding packages. The fellow must be the bill payer.

Is your venue accessible?

Yes, we aim to make all visitors to Burlington House feel welcome by providing support and creating as friendly and accessible an environment as possible. For more details, please visit our [website](#).

FAQs

Do you allow candles inside the venue?

For safety reasons, naked flames are not permitted inside the venue. However, you're very welcome to use LED candles, which can still create a lovely, warm and romantic atmosphere.

Do you allow confetti?

We do not allow confetti to be thrown inside the venue.

Do you allow dry ice machines or smoke machines?

For safety reasons, we do not allow dry ice machines or smoke machines as they set off the smoke alarms.

Can we play music at the venue?

Yes, you can absolutely have music as part of your wedding celebration. We welcome DJs, live musicians, and curated playlists to help you create the perfect atmosphere for your day. We can also provide a speaker system, making it easy to play your own music.



In the Heart of Piccadilly

The Geological Society is located within the historic courtyard of Burlington House, just moments from Piccadilly Circus and Soho.

Nearest Underground Stations

The nearest tube stations are Piccadilly Circus and Green Park. Both are within a short walking distance.

Buses

Bus numbers 14, 19, 22 and 38 all stop near Burlington House.

Parking

Limited parking may be available by prior arrangement within the Burlington House courtyard. Several public car parks are also located nearby.

Our central location makes it easy for guests travelling from across London and beyond.



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Begin Your Wedding Journey with Us

If you are looking for a distinctive London venue filled with history, atmosphere and elegance, the Geological Society provides the perfect setting.

We would be delighted to help you create a truly memorable wedding day.

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