

# KINGSMEAD GUIDE TO WEDDING MARQUEES

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# INTRODUCTION

Planning a marquee event involves many details, from sizing and budgeting to designing your perfect celebration from scratch. That's why we've created this guide — to make the process easier as you plan a spectacular wedding or event under canvas.

A marquee truly is a blank canvas, which can feel both exciting and a little overwhelming. But with the right guidance, you can achieve the exact look and atmosphere you dream of for your big day.

In this guide, we'll walk you through the key factors involved in marquee hire, drawing on industry practices and our own expertise.

Our goal is to give you a solid foundation on which to build your memorable celebration.

At Kingsmead, we provide a bespoke service tailored to every event, always keeping you at the heart of your special day.

*The Kingsmead Family xoxo*

# KEY CONSIDERATIONS

## SIZE



For 100 seated guests, a marquee of around 9m x 21m is typical, while for 250 guests, something closer to 12m x 50m or larger usually works best. It's important to allow extra space for catering (often in a separate tent), as well as for dance floors, bars, and lounge areas. Oversizing slightly is always a smart choice, giving you flexibility for last-minute additions and ensuring your event feels spacious and comfortable.

## TYPE OF MARQUEE



We have two options: Clear span marquees, have no internal poles, offering a modern, versatile space that can be adapted to suit any layout. They can also feature clear ceiling panels, allowing natural light in by day and a stunning view of the night sky after dark. Pole marquees, with their elegant peaks and sweeping canvas, create a traditional and romantic look, making them perfect for weddings and garden celebrations. Both options provide a beautiful blank canvas, so the choice depends on the style and atmosphere you want for your event.

## COST

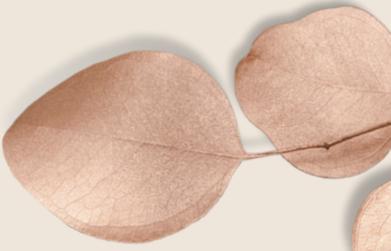


The cost of a marquee event can range anywhere from around £5,000 to £20,000+, depending on guest numbers and extras you choose to include. At Kingsmead, we provide fully itemised quotes, ensuring you only pay for what you actually need, with complete transparency every step of the way.



## HIRE

We offer a wide range of hire options, including furniture, lighting, dance floors, stages, linings, chairs, tables, heating and props, making us your one-stop shop for everything you need. This means you won't have to source items separately, as we can incorporate all your requirements into one seamless quote.

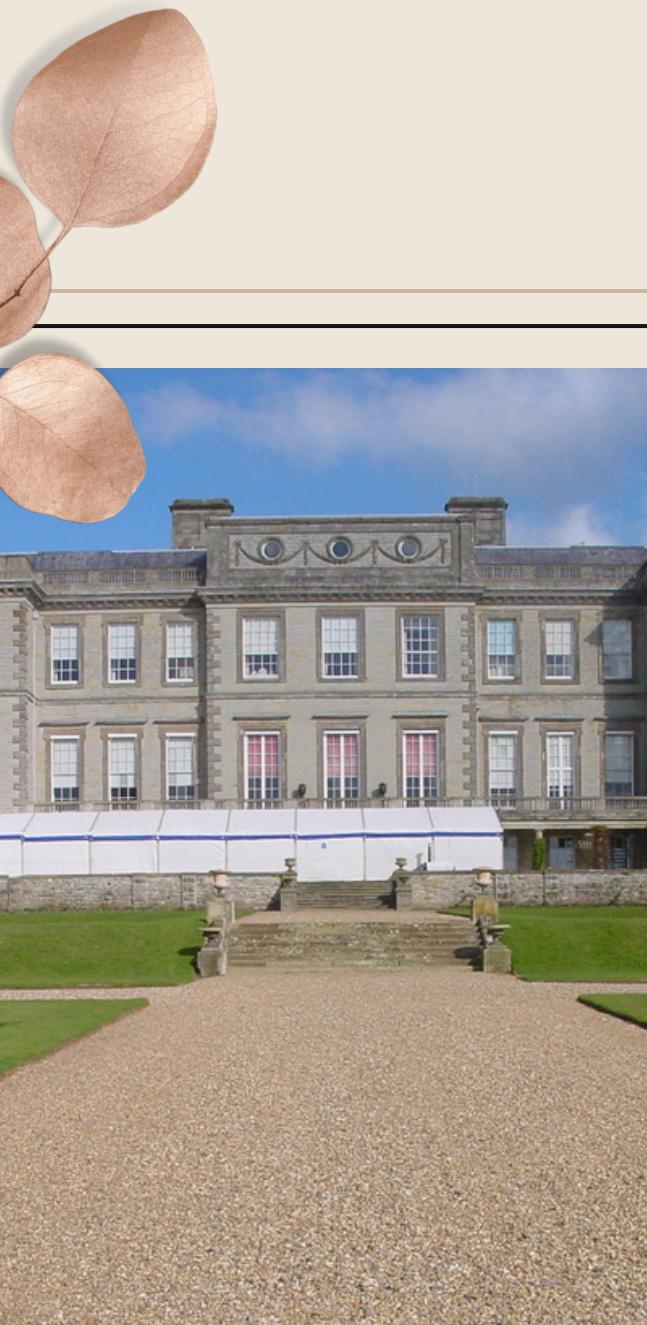


# TIMELINE

We recommend booking your marquee 12 to 18 months in advance, especially for popular summer dates.

Our main season runs from April to October, but we can cater for events outside these months too, with advanced heating technology to keep marquees warm and comfortable during cooler weather and evenings.

Booking early not only secures your preferred date but also gives you plenty of time to plan successfully and ensure everything you need is available.



## DETAILS

We hold full public liability insurance and always recommend that couples take out wedding insurance as standard for extra peace of mind.

If your marquee is on private land, planning permission is not required, but for public sites you'll need to ensure they also have public liability cover and suitable access.

It is ideal if your chosen site has access to water and electricity, but we can provide solutions where utilities are limited. We also have the expertise to build on uneven or sloped ground, ensuring a safe and seamless setup wherever your celebration takes place.

To make sure everything is perfectly planned, we carry out a full site visit before providing a detailed quote.



# OUR SERVICES

## MARQUEE & PROP HIRE

Make your special day unforgettable with a beautifully designed marquee, tailored perfectly to your wedding style.

From intimate garden celebrations to grand-scale weddings, we provide:

- Clearspan & Pole Marquee options
- Bespoke Marquee Designs – Choose the size, shape and layout that fits your vision.
- Elegant Interiors – Flooring, lighting, linings, drapes and lounge furniture to create the perfect atmosphere.
- Props & Decor – From tables and chairs to bars, dance floors, lighting, chandeliers and decorative backdrops and touches.
- Full Setup & Breakdown – Professional installation and takedown, ensuring a stress-free experience.
- Dance Floors & Staging – Create the perfect space for entertainment and celebrations.
- All Sizes Covered – Whether it's a cozy garden wedding or a lavish multi-day celebration, we've got you covered.



## WEDDING PLANNING SERVICE

Planning your dream wedding can be overwhelming—but you don't have to do it alone. At Kingsmead, we work closely with trusted wedding planners to help your vision come to life.

### Our Recommendation:

We highly recommend **White Door Events**, who provide expert guidance and support for every aspect of your wedding. From timelines and logistics to décor and coordination on the day, their team ensures everything runs smoothly so you can enjoy a stress-free celebration.

### How It Works:

- Collaborate with White Door Events to plan every detail of your wedding.
- Combine their expert planning with our bespoke marquee and prop hire services.
- Enjoy a fully coordinated, beautiful, and memorable wedding experience.

## WHY CHOOSE KINGSMEAD?

With decades of experience and a passion for perfection, we handle every detail so you can focus on enjoying your day.







# FAQS



## HOW MANY GUESTS CAN A MARQUEE HOLD?

As a general guideline, allow approximately  $1.5 \text{ m}^2$  per seated guest and  $2.5 \text{ m}^2$  per standing guest when planning your marquee. We have the expertise to build marquees for over 2,000 guests, so the possibilities for your event are truly limitless.



## WHAT ABOUT POWER & WATER?

If your venue doesn't have accessible electricity, you will need a generator to power your event — we can provide these for hire. Luxury mobile bathrooms usually come with their own water supply, but we can also advise on solutions for water access for catering and other needs if your site doesn't have a supply.



# TESTIMONIALS



GREAT COMPANY, FRIENDLY AND PROFESSIONAL

FROM THE FIRST CONTACT, THE STAFF AT KINGSMEAD MARQUEES WERE SO HELPFUL AND GUIDED US THROUGH, HELPING US CHOOSE THE BEST OPTION FOR OUR DAUGHTER'S WEDDING. THEY ARE INNOVATIVE, HAVE YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AND ENDLESS SCOPE TO CREATE A WONDERFUL SETTING.



WE RECENTLY WORKED WITH KINGSMEAD MARQUEES FOR TILDA AND HENRY'S WEDDING IN LEICESTERSHIRE, AND THE RESULT WAS ABSOLUTELY STUNNING. WE OPTED FOR A CLEAR ROOF, CLEARSAN MARQUEE TO ACCOMMODATE 170 GUESTS, PERFECTLY POSITIONED TO INCORPORATE A BEAUTIFUL WATER FOUNTAIN SEAMLESSLY INTO THE SPACE.

AS THE WEDDING PLANNER, I WAS SO IMPRESSED WITH HOW THE TEAM HANDLED WHAT WAS A TRICKY SPACE TO WORK WITH. THEIR ATTENTION TO DETAIL, FLEXIBILITY, AND PROFESSIONALISM MADE THE WHOLE PROCESS SMOOTH AND STRESS-FREE. THE END RESULT WAS BREATHTAKING, AND THE STRUCTURE COMPLEMENTED THE SETTING PERFECTLY.

I WOULD HIGHLY RECOMMEND KINGSMEAD MARQUEES TO ANYONE LOOKING FOR A HIGH-QUALITY MARQUEE AND A TEAM WHO GO ABOVE AND BEYOND TO BRING YOUR VISION TO LIFE.



I HAVE USED KINGSMEAD MARQUEES TWICE BEFORE (BOTH FOR WEDDING RECEPTIONS) AND I WOULD NOT HESITATE IN RECOMMENDING THEM. THEY HAVE A WEALTH OF GREAT EXPERIENCE AND THEIR TEAM ARE SO PROFESSIONAL, HELPFUL AND PROVIDE A QUALITY SERVICE AND OUTCOME. I'VE BEEN IMPRESSED BOTH TIMES I HAVE USED THEM.

WHAT A FABULOUS ALL ROUND SERVICE. MARTYN WAS GREAT AT HELPING US ACHIEVE A FANTASTIC VENUE FOR OUR GUESTS IN THE FIELD BEHIND OUR HOUSE. NOTHING WAS TOO MUCH TROUBLE AND THE ATTENTION TO DETAIL WAS GREAT. THE TEAM WHO PUT UP AND TOOK DOWN THE MARQUEE WERE BRILLIANT AND WORKED SO HARD (THEY DESERVED THE BACON BUTTIES AND BISCUITS!) FAULTLESS



QUITE POSSIBLY THE BEST MARQUEE COMPANY AROUND, THEIR EXCEPTIONAL TEAM WORK WITH YOU TO PLAN YOUR EVENT AND SUPPORT YOUR NEEDS, OFFERING SOLUTIONS TO IDEAS AND ISSUES AS THEY ARISE. AT TIMES GOING FAR ABOVE AND BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY WHEN EXCEPTIONAL WEATHER THROWS A CURVE BALL 24HRS BEFORE OUR EVENT. CALLING IN ADDITIONAL RESOURCE AND SUPPORT TO ENSURE 'THE SHOW GOES ON'. AN EASY TEAM TO WORK WITH, GREAT COMMUNICATION AND GREAT OFFICE SUPPORT TOO .



AMAZING MARQUEE AND BRILLIANT SERVICE. ALL THEIR TEAM ARE LOVELY FROM THE BOOKING PROCESS AND ALL THROUGH THE SETUP AND TAKEDOWN. THANK YOU!



RICHARD BREWARD IS A GENIUS OF THE MARQUEE WORLD. IN JUNE 2025 WE HAD A WEDDING FOR 108 IN OUR BACK GARDEN ON A SLOPE, RULED OUT AS IMPOSSIBLE BY ANOTHER FIRM. HE WAS VERY POSITIVE FROM THE BEGINNING, GAVE US GOOD ADVICE AND PROVIDED THE APPROPRIATE LIGHTING. (YOU CAN SEE SOMETHING OF THE SLOPE IF YOU LOOK CAREFULLY AT THE PHOTOS.)

# CLIENT INFO FORM

For an enquiry we would love for you to share the information below with us. This helps us have all the relevant details upfront, saving time on emails and allowing us to get responses and quotes back to you more quickly

FULL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PARTNERS FULL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

INSTAGRAM/ FACEBOOK ACCOUNT \_\_\_\_\_

PHOTOGRAPHERS DETAILS: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE AND TIME OF WEDDING: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION/ VENUE: \_\_\_\_\_

GROUND TYPE- GRASS/ CONCRETE ETC? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THERE WATER/ ELECTRIC HOOK UPS ON VENUE SITE? \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF WEDDING/ THEME: \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF MARQUEE-POLE/CLEARSPAN: \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY GUESTS: \_\_\_\_\_

WEDDING PLANNER NEEDED?: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below, you consent to the collection, use and storage of your personal information by Kingsmead Marquees Events Ltd for the purpose of managing your wedding event and understanding your vision for your big day.

This includes, but is not limited to, contacting you regarding your event, processing payments and sharing necessary details with third-party vendors involved in your wedding.

We are committed to safeguarding your information and will ensure that it is stored securely. You have the right to access, update, or request the deletion of your data at any time by contacting us at [post@kingsmead-marquees.com](mailto:post@kingsmead-marquees.com)

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_



# OUR TRUSTED WEDDING SUPPLIERS

## PHOTOGRAPHERS

- [www.zoeharrisphotography/](http://www.zoeharrisphotography.com) @zoeharrisphotography
- [www.bgsweddings.co.uk/](http://www.bgsweddings.co.uk) @bgsweddingphotos
- [www.jordanwadephoto.co.uk/](http://www.jordanwadephoto.co.uk) @jordanwadephoto
- [www.charlienova.com/](http://www.charlienova.com) @charlienovaphoto
- [https://www.meganwilson.net/](https://www.meganwilson.net) @msmeganwilson

## VIDEOGRAPHERS

- [www.stark-weddings.co.uk /](http://www.stark-weddings.co.uk) @Stark\_weddings
- [www.lovedoweddingfilms.com/](http://www.lovedoweddingfilms.com)  
lovedoweddingfilmsuk
- @designsmadebychloe

## FLORISTS/ CAKES

- [www.sutton-lodge.co.uk/](http://www.sutton-lodge.co.uk) @suttonlodge\_flowers\_
- [www.bloomingtons.co.uk/](http://www.bloomingtons.co.uk) @bloomingtons.uk
- [www.theflowerladyflorist.co.uk/](http://www.theflowerladyflorist.co.uk) @theflowerladyflorist
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- [www.lovelifeeatcake.com /](http://www.lovelifeeatcake.com) @lovelifeeatcake
- [www.cakesfabulouscakes.co.uk/](http://www.cakesfabulouscakes.co.uk) @cakesfabulouscakes
- [www.pipaliciousltd.co.uk/](http://www.pipaliciousltd.co.uk) @pipalicious\_cakes

## MUSIC

- [www.songstobesung.co.,uk/](http://www.songstobesung.co.uk) @songstobesung
- [www.ministryofsoul.co.uk/](http://www.ministryofsoul.co.uk) @ministryofsoulband
- [www.jackstarweddings.co.uk/](http://www.jackstarweddings.co.uk) @jackstarweddings
- [www.roblawesentertainments.com/](http://www.roblawesentertainments.com) @roblawesentertainments
- [www.dancefloor-djs-events.com/](http://www.dancefloor-djs-events.com) @dancefloordjs

## CATERERERS

- [www.thewildgourmet.co.uk/](http://www.thewildgourmet.co.uk) @the\_wild\_gourmet
- [www.benskitchen.com/](http://www.benskitchen.com) @benskitchen
- [www.copperevents.co.uk/](http://www.copperevents.co.uk) @coppereventcatering
- [www.thomasthecaterer.co.uk/](http://www.thomasthecaterer.co.uk) @thomasthecaterer
- [www.sanjayfoods.com/](http://www.sanjayfoods.com) @sanjayfoods

## FOOD TRUCKS

- [www.thealpinepizzaco.com/](http://www.thealpinepizzaco.com) @thealpinepizzaco
- [www.feastandthefurious.co.uk/](http://www.feastandthefurious.co.uk) @feastandthefurious
- [www.theitalianstallionpizza.co.uk/](http://www.theitalianstallionpizza.co.uk) @italianstallionpizza
- [www.jenniandicecream.com/](http://www.jenniandicecream.com) @jenniandicecream2020

## CELEBRANTS

- [www.foreverandalwayscelebrancy.com/](http://www.foreverandalwayscelebrancy.com)  
@foreverandalwayscelebrancy

## AMENITIES/ LOOS

- [www.5starloos.co.uk/](http://www.5starloos.co.uk) enquiries@5starloos.co.uk
- [www.nomadicwashrooms.co.uk/](http://www.nomadicwashrooms.co.uk) @nomadicwashrooms

## WEDDING PLANNER

- [www.whitedoorevents.co.uk/](http://www.whitedoorevents.co.uk) @whitedoorevents

# YOUR NOTES:



Write down any queries or questions you may have we are here to help you with every step of your Wedding Journey.



# CONTACT US:

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(We cannot wait to  
bring your vision  
to life!)*

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