<u>Cruck Barn Events – FAQ's & General Information</u>

How do we plan our event?

That's easy, after you have confirmed your booking, you may arrange a planning meeting with us and you can go through your plans with us, discuss food and get prices for your choices. Then nearer the time we have a finalisation meeting with you 2-3 weeks before the big day where we go through your final timings, numbers for food, service needs etc.

What menu options can you offer?

The chefs are very flexible. They will happily create a bespoke menu with up to 3 choices per course to fit your day, budget and your preferences. We can offer anything from canapés & bacon butties (upto 8pm) to soak up the beer are often popular too! A pre order must be with the kitchen 2 weeks beforehand.

Can we decorate the Barn?

Yes but within some limits. Fire Safety, working at height & trip hazards need to be considered. Ie Please do not hang things from the gas & electrical lights. Avoid flammable drapes / foliage around the fire place & keep fire exits clear. We can't allow the staff or cus6omers to be climbing ladders.

Can we hire the whole pub?

Unfortunately, as we are a Public house we can't. The barn hire gives you exclusive use of that area & the courtyard by the beer garden. Your guests are welcome to come into the pub to use the bars.

How do we hold a ceremony?

Non legal ceremonies are permitted but we do not hold a licence for formal wedding ceremonies. Lots of nearby venues do hold a civil license for legal ceremonies.

We can arrange the barn with rows of chairs & provide a Lectern. You will need to organise a celebrant or someone to lead the ceremony. Guests may go down to the bars afterwards while we change round & set up for the meal, this can take about an hour.

Do you require a deposit?

Yes please, we ask for half your barn hire as a non refundable deposit to confirm the booking.

Is the Barn Hire rate negotiable?

Unfortunately the soaring costs of maintaining the barn mean we can't. However there are some much discounted rates over the winter/off season. Please ask.

What time do we have to vacate?

11pm is last orders at the bar, with guests vacating at 11.30pm.

When can we host an event?

Outside School Holidays & bank holiday weekends as the pub gets so busy during those periods, we don't think it's fair on your special occasion, so we don't accept them.

How do your service team know where everyone is sitting & what they are eating?

We ask that you provide a table plan & place cards with names & food choices on them.

Where could all our guests stay?

We have 3 shepherds huts at the rear of the pub. They are a 2 night minimum stay and be booked online only on our website. All 3 have 1 double bed. A variety of accommodation exists in the local area and in Appletreewick itself. Please refer to our accommodation list for more information http://www.cravencruckbarn.co.uk/links.htm Many planners arrange a minibus/coach to collect & return their guests to their accommodation. This works out a lot cheaper than hiring individual taxis on the night from Skipton, which are often already taken at closing time.

How many guests can we fit in the Barn?

Up to 60 guests can sit comfortably.

How do we arrange payment?

We encourage payment before the big day as we don't like to interrupt celebrations with bill paying etc. Internet/Bacs transfer much preferred as we incur no bank charges for these. Our Account name is "Craven Pub Ltd" Acc No. is 41892606 Sort Code 40-23-12 please add a reference with your name & date of event.

Do You allow Fireworks BBQs & flying Lanterns?

No, unfortunately our thatched roof & delicate agricultural setting cannot allow these.

Is Music & entertainment allowed.

You may organise/hire a DJ or band for music. They would need to be able to setup after your meal as you may need the space. Their equipment needs to be PAT tested & music must finish at closing time.

May we use outside caterers?

In certain circumstances maybe, please ask. But we have an employed a team of extremely good & flexible chefs to do this for you. You can be as involved as you like in the planning of your food.

Can we bring our own wine?

You are welcome to bring your own wine and champagne. We charge corkage of £7.50 on wine and £8.50 on bubbly.

Can we reserve space outside the pub?

There is an area out to the right of the barn which has a table and stools and makes for a good gathering area – this is available at no additional cost but reservation must be prearranged. You may also use the beer garden but we cannot guarantee exclusive use.

Do you provide table linen?

We can provide linen napkins for up to 60 guests. We do not provide linen table clothes – the tables in the barn are made from beautiful, local oak so we recommend that decorations are placed straight on these rather than covering them up!