

# Ceremonies at Shibden Hall



Shibden  
Estate

elle  
The perfect location  
for your wedding,  
civil partnership or  
special ceremony.

---





# Shibden Hall

This magnificent, Grade II\* Listed, 15th Century medieval timber-framed manor house, set in 37 hectares of the Shibden valley, is one of England's oldest buildings.

Shibden Hall's architecture is a mixture of styles reflecting the owners' tastes throughout its 600 year old history. The house is furnished with Early English oak furniture, oak panelled rooms and splendid stone mullioned stained glass windows.

Many families have lived at the Hall and latterly, during the early 19th century, it was the home of renowned diarist and lesbian Anne Lister. Her life is captured in her diaries, setting out her aspirations for the estate and her personal associations.





# The Housebody

The housebody offers a romantic setting for Wedding, Civil Partnership and Renewal of Vows ceremonies. The double height Housebody was restored by Anne Lister in the 1830s and reflects the layout of the original medieval manor that was built in 1420. The fascinating furniture on display includes a magnificent oak table built in the housebody and the splendid stone mullioned 20 light window.

The Housebody is 15 metres long and 6 metres wide, with wood panelling, a minstrel's gallery and a large stone fireplace. Up two steps towards the staircase, the Buttery chamber (6 metres x 3 metres wide), provides the perfect setting for the signing of the Register. Your ceremony can include photography, flowers, music and colour themed seating by prior arrangement.

An ante-room is available to guests for refreshments by prior arrangement. This room can be decorated informally, including flowers, music and colour themed seating. The main entrance to the building has steps. Level access is provided via the courtyard and continues throughout the ground floor, with the exception of The Buttery.

The interior of the hall provides a grand setting for photographs of your ceremony. Flash photography is not permitted within the hall, however your photographer will be able to take photographs without flash. More wonderful backdrops are provided within the grounds.

Groups of up to 30 can be accommodated.





# The 17th Century Aisled Barn

The 17th Century aisled barn offers a more informal and original setting under the imposing timbers of the barn and surrounded by an outstanding collection of carriages. Groups of up to 45 can be accommodated.

## Shibden Estate

Surrounded by the beautifully restored gardens and landscape that form Shibden Park, the Estate encompasses a range of features and attractions for the wedding party. Reception facilities are available at Shibden Mereside and activities within the Estate include the miniature railway, boating lake, pitch & putt course, woodland and informal parkland.

The courtyard, terrace and formal gardens provide a picturesque location for reception drinks and canapés. A variety of arrangements can be individually tailored for your special ceremony.



Barn photography courtesy of Vaughan Roberts.



# Availability and Arrangements

Shibden Hall and the Aisled Barn are available on a limited number of days each year for your Ceremony, making this an extra-special privilege for your celebration.

The days and times of availability are:  
Fridays between **10am and 6pm**  
Saturdays and Sundays **10am**  
Monday to Thursday after **4.15pm**

The fee for use of the Hall or Barn for 2 hours (ceremony only) is £750.

A party of up to 30 can be accommodated in the Hall, or 45 in the Aisled Barn.

Additional facilities by prior arrangement and agreement. The fee includes chairs and permission for recorded music to be played (client to provide). Toilet facilities are available at the Museum car park.

The fee does not include the Registrar's fee, flowers, chair dressing or any other ancillary services. Please liaise with Shibden Hall in relation to photography and any additional requirements. Contact **01422 352246** or email [shibdenweddings@calderdale.gov.uk](mailto:shibdenweddings@calderdale.gov.uk)



## Access and general information

Shibden Estate is situated on the A58 Leeds/Bradford Road.

The nearest train station is Halifax town centre

Bus services from Halifax are 508. 548. 549. 681.

## Car parks

Car parks are situated off Shibden Hall Road and in the lower car park, access off the A58. Coach parking is available in the lower car park, off the A58. Parking charges are 30p per hour, £1 all day. Designated disabled parking spaces are located in the Museum car park at rear of Hall and at the lower car park, free of charge. A disabled person's badge is required to be displayed.

There are steps at entrance to Shibden Hall. Please call 01422 352246 for level access through the courtyard. We regret that the upper floor of Shibden Hall is not accessible to wheelchairs.

Accessible toilets and baby change facilities are available on site, adjacent to the rear car park.



Shibden Hall  
an exceptional location  
for your perfect day.

