The Boat House



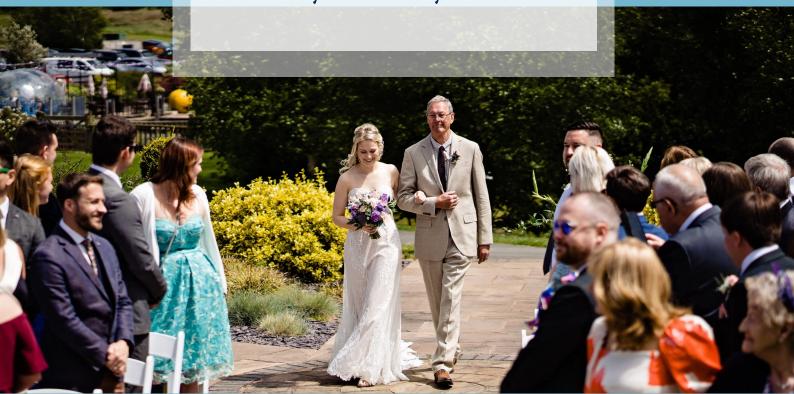
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Where did it all begin?

Tinder! We chatted for a good few weeks before our first date, then after 6 months we moved in together.

When you know you know!





Who popped the big question? Tell us your proposal story!

It was very romantic!
Alec surprised me
with a trip to Paris for
my birthday and
proposed on our hotel
balcony on the first
day. We celebrated
with champagne then
had a relaxed
weekend eating and
drinking our way
round the city.



They're a special team and really make the place

What was important to you when choosing your venue?

It can be so daunting knowing where to start, so we picked our 3 key things:

A lovely outdoor ceremony space, but with an indoor alternative we loved as you never know with the weather!

The bar in the same room as the dancefloor Somewhere that didn't require too much décor - we aren't natural crafters and have a busy lifestyle so we wanted a venue that didn't require too much.

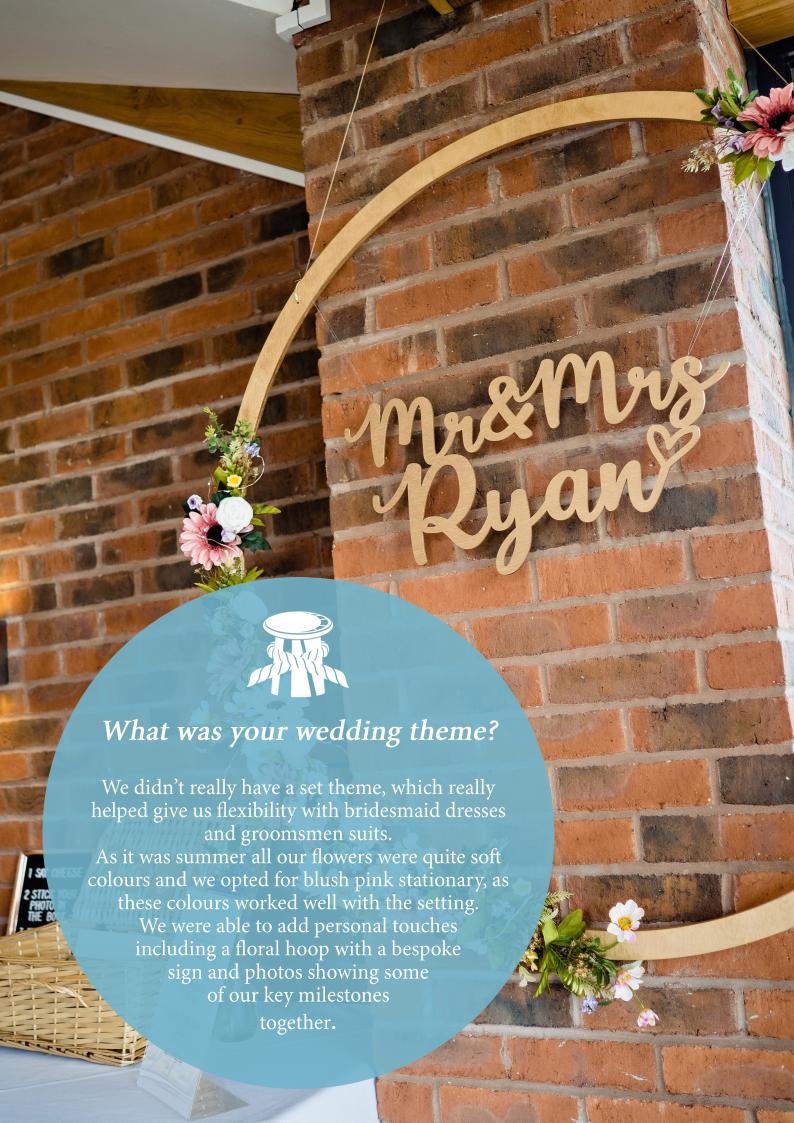
The Boat House more than met these!

What was your favourite feature about The Boat House?

We loved the stunning outside space for guests to relax after the ceremony, but it was the team who made it for us!

We knew from our first meeting we would be in super safe, calm and friendly hands for the whole process. The team run everything so smoothly and obviously really care about every couple they work with.





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What was the highlight of your big day?

Walking down the aisle to Alec. I don't know how to describe how overwhelming

that feeling was and how happy I felt, especially after the build up

of postponing for a year. A special thank you to Beckie as she was amazing at that moment - she helped me to take a big breath, as I felt incredibly emotional and I remember her reassuring me we had the whole song to walk down and it was ok to take my time if I needed it and to just enjoy finally marrying Alec.



What did you find to be your biggest challenge?

Like many couples, changing plans in a pandemic was tough at times. The team were incredibly supportive and had a really fair process for everyone, even though they were dealing with so much uncertainty themselves and we're incredibly grateful for how well they handled such a difficult process.

We were a little unlucky, as our band were struck with illness the day before our wedding, but luckily we had booked through an agency who were straight on the case with sourcing an alternative band, and The Boat House team were also brilliant and



contacted the bands and DJs they knew to see if they had availability. Our agency found us another band who were fantastic and kept the dancefloor full all night!

Despite this, it was actually pretty smooth going and we tried to make as much of the planning as fun as we could. We're both laid back generally and the Boat House team also made it easy – no question felt silly to ask and their communication was flawless throughout.

Food is serious business at Aston Marina - which dish was a must for you?

That. Beef. Brisket.

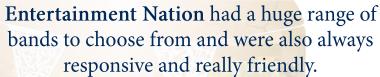
We chose the BBQ style menu as we wanted a summery option that was a relaxed, sociable style of catering. It was all absolutely delicious but so many people said they loved the beef!

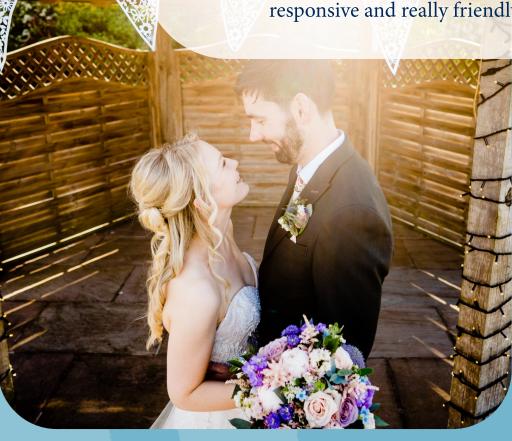
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Were there any suppliers you would recommend?

One Little Daisy - Joe was brilliant. He got so many gorgeous candid photos of everyone and he helped us feel really relaxed on the day. He also captured videos for us which we are so happy we have, it was really special watching them after our honeymoon and we were so glad we could share them with some family and friends who sadly couldn't join us on the day.

KH Hairdressing & Helen Pearson MUA were also a dream team, they were just so calm and easy going on the morning getting us all ready.







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