



The Boat House



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Emma & Alec

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.





Mr & Mrs
Ryan



What was your wedding theme?

We didn't really have a set theme, which really helped give us flexibility with bridesmaid dresses and groomsmen suits.

As it was summer all our flowers were quite soft colours and we opted for blush pink stationary, as these colours worked well with the setting.

We were able to add personal touches including a floral hoop with a bespoke sign and photos showing some of our key milestones together.

& Emma
Alec

*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.

Entertainment Nation had a huge range of bands to choose from and were also always responsive and really friendly.





*What would your top tip be
for anyone getting married at
The Boat House?*

Three of our younger family members were tasked with getting polaroid photos and messages for our guest book in exchange for book vouchers and they knocked it out the park! It helped keep them entertained after the meal and we now have a guest book filled with so many lovely messages and photos so we would recommend doing this.

But our main top tip would be if you haven't booked the Boat House yet just get it booked!

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