



ARDANAISEIG  
*weddings*



UNQUESTIONABLY PEACEFUL,  
IRRESISTIBLY  
*romantic*

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ENGAGEMENT.

Now that you have decided to get married it's time to search for the perfect wedding venue. Ardanaiseig is a nineteenth-century Country House Hotel in Western Scotland with breathtaking views across Loch Awe and the Scottish Highlands.

A fairy tale spot for a fairy tale day, with 240 acres of private landscaped grounds and wooded gardens adding to an occasion you will remember forever.

WELCOME TO ARDANAISEIG.





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# *Beautiful*

INSIDE AND OUT

Ardanaisig is a grand Country House built in 1834. History aficionados will notice the Scottish Baronial style of the building, listed for its architectural importance. But the magic really begins when you step inside...

# INSIDE *Ardanaiseig*

Walk the wooden-floored hallways and you are greeted by beautiful wall-hung art, eccentric ornaments and antique furniture. There are many nooks and crannies to explore. But your big day will likely unfold in our larger rooms, especially if you are tying the knot in the chillier months.



## THE DRAWING ROOM

CAPACITY: 50 GUESTS

Large, light and ornately furnished, The Drawing Room is perfect for your ceremony. Walk down the aisle towards our enormous bay windows, offering you and your guests wonderful views across Loch Awe. Beautiful.

## THE LIBRARY & BAR

Our comfortable Library room is always popular. Not least because of the bar area, stocked with a worldly selection of fine wines and a connoisseur's choice of whiskies. There's lots of space for friends and families to make acquaintance, with views of our grounds setting the ambience as our open log fireplaces crackle quietly and keenly. Where better to raise a glass with your nearest and dearest?



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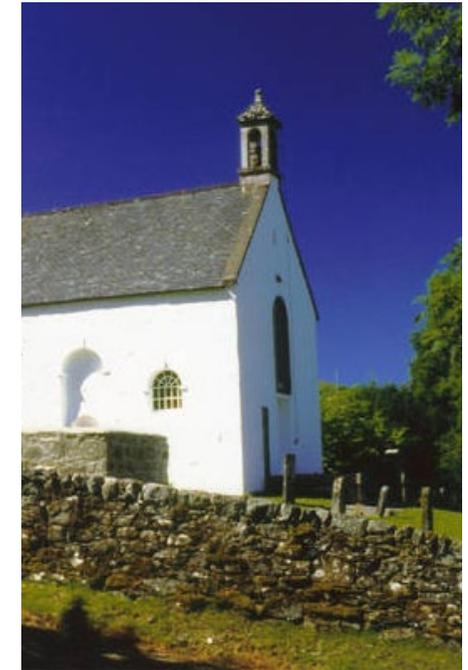
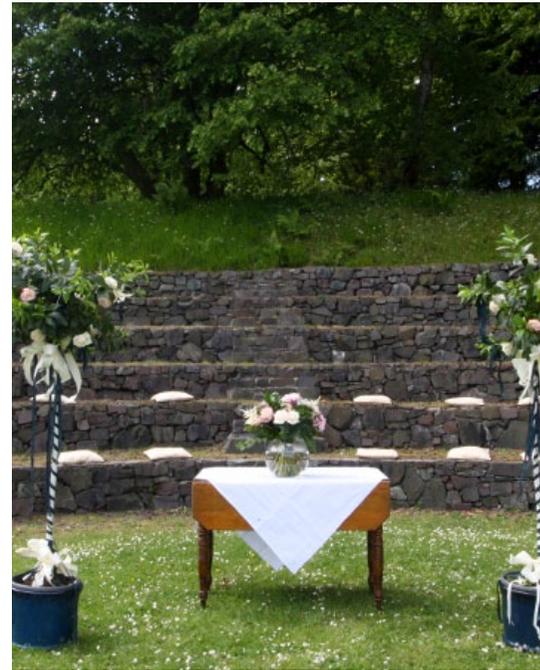
*grounds*

Ardanaiseig is a setting of poetic beauty. From the Highland peaks to the still waters of Loch Awe, you can be sure Mother Nature will play her part in your wedding photos.



WHAT IS OURS  
*is yours*

Ardanaiseig has 240 acres of landscaped grounds, hidden gardens and enchanting forests. They are yours to use freely. So if you wish to exchange rings among the firs and spruces, or to sip champagne with your guests on the lawn, we will happily accommodate it.



### SAY YOUR VOWS AS LOCH AWE LAPS THE SHORE...

If yours is a spring or summer wedding we have just the thing to make it extra special. A carefully built amphitheatre-style area for ceremonies on the shores of Loch Awe, where guest seating is cut into the natural landscape. It's quirky, unique and completely beautiful.

### THE WEDDING BELLS CHIME

Of course, you do not have to get married at Ardanaiseig. Kilchrenan Parish Church is a quaint and beautiful building, just four miles away. It was built in 1770 but the site has been home to a church since the twelfth century. It's perfect if you are looking for a taste of tradition. And the views across the Highlands are exceptional. We will have everything ready for your reception upon your return.



*Pleasure*  
YOU CAN MEASURE

The AA's long-established Rosette scheme recognises excellence in cuisine. We are very proud to have been awarded a Three Rosette rating, an achievement less than 10% of the UK's restaurants can match. Prepare yourselves for a wedding breakfast to remember.

# A FOOD *Lover's* WEDDING BREAKFAST

THE DINING ROOM

CAPACITY: 50 GUESTS  
(ACROSS FIVE ROUND TABLES)

Our spacious dining room comfortably fits up to 50 people, giving you and your guests plenty of room to digest those all-important after-dinner speeches. The dining room is blessed with a backdrop as superb as our food. Large windows look directly across the peaceful waters of Loch Awe, framed by the peaks of the Highlands beyond.





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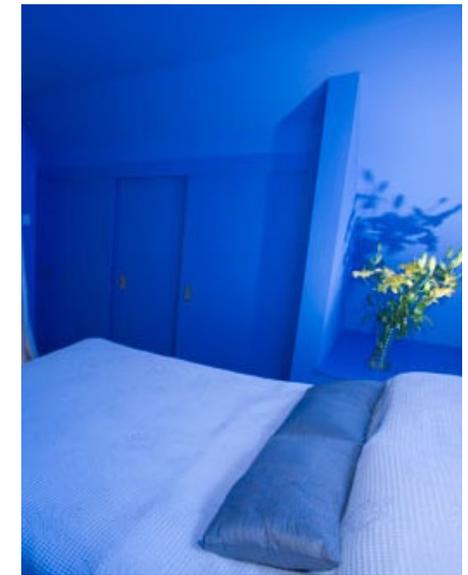
*View*

Come nightfall Ardanaiseig's private grounds are blanketed by a serene silence that promises a wonderfully relaxing night. As the new day dawns your guests can take in views of Loch Awe or our landscaped gardens no matter which of our comfortable bedrooms they stay in. As for you newlyweds, something very special indeed awaits...

# THE *HONEYMOON* SUITE

Your first night together as a married couple is a magical moment. The Boatshed lets you mark the occasion in style. This chic one-bedroom suite, a two-minute walk from the main hotel, is surrounded by stunning scenery and gives you all the secrecy you could wish for.

The contemporary lounge area features a floor-to-ceiling glass front that opens onto a pretty terrace, right on the edge of Loch Awe. It's beautiful. But it's the bedroom that really steals the show, standing on a mezzanine level looking directly across the peaceful loch waters. Your very own fairy tale hideaway.



*"The ultimate lovers' retreat."*

# ELLE



STAYING  
AT

# Ardanaiseig

It's natural to want to be close to your nearest and dearest when you are sharing an occasion as special as your wedding. And our flexible booking packages mean the celebrations needn't be limited to the big day. On a more pragmatic level you may want to stay at Ardanaiseig with your bridal party the night before you walk down the aisle so you are all ready to prepare together on the morning of the wedding. There's nothing like the company of your best friends to calm the nerves.



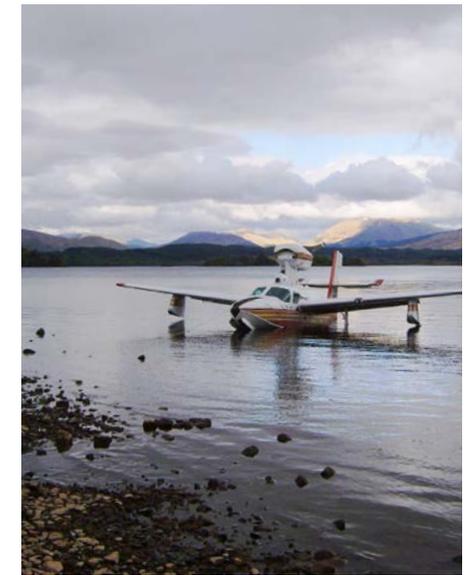
## GUEST ACCOMMODATION

Ardanaiseig has sixteen en-suite double bedrooms for guests who need a comfortable place to stay. We also have a cottage within our grounds that is perfect for a small family or two couples. Each of our bedrooms is individually designed and adorned with lavish antiques and intricately detailed furniture. Far more than just a room for the night.



# MAKE AN *entrance*

The feted footsteps down the aisle might be the moment you have been waiting for. But your arrival is all part of the magic of your big day, whether you opt for a grandiose entrance by helicopter or something a little more understated.



## BY LAND

The lack of traffic on the roads that lead to Ardanaiseig is ideal for making a special entrance by horse-drawn carriage. If a classic car is more your style then of course we can accommodate that too. Kilchrenan's country roads will bring you to our stone-covered driveway by the front entrance of the hotel.

## BY AIR

Start your wedding day on cloud nine with a helicopter arrival. Seeing the Highlands from above is an extremely special way to begin your celebrations and there is plenty of room to land within our grounds. You can also arrive by sea plane, racing down from above onto Loch Awe and floating gracefully up to the shore just a stone's throw from Ardanaiseig.

## BY WATER

Loch Awe is the third largest freshwater loch in Scotland, with a surface area of 38.5 square kilometres. That means there is an abundance of beautiful spots from which you can catch a small boat to sail across the loch, right up to the grounds at Ardanaiseig.

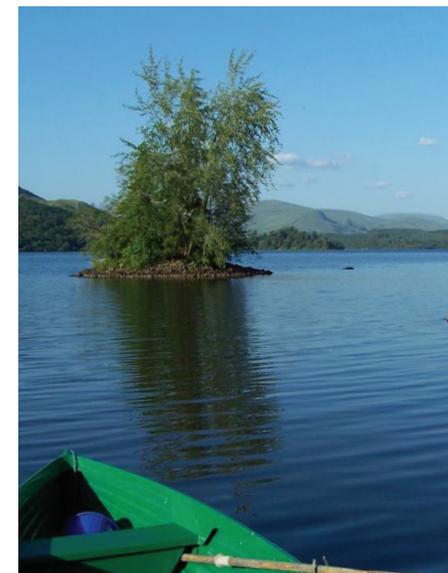


# YOUR *wedding* YOUR WAY

Planning a wedding that reflects your hopes, dreams and desires is extremely exciting. But it's not always easy to do it alone. We promise to work carefully and closely with you to make sure the details are planned perfectly: meeting with you, talking on the phone and generally staying at close quarters. That applies whether you are joining us for your ceremony, reception or both. So as you start counting the days, you can feel confident that everything has been considered to make your big day your dream day.

# Activities

Ardanaiseig is blessed when it comes to the beauty of our grounds. And we make full use of the great outdoors through a range of activities, each of which will add to the unique charm of your wedding celebrations and ensure your guests go home with an extra happy memory or two from your festivities.



## CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING

Your guests will require a steady hand and an eagle eye as they take to the Ardanaiseig grounds to fire a few rounds. Expert tuition is included for up to five people per session.

## FISHING

Loch Awe is home to large numbers of very, very large brown trout. Invite your guests to see if they can attract a bite while they catch up with their nearest and dearest. Picnic lunch included.

## BOATING

Of course you don't have to be dangling a rod in the water to enjoy the beauty around the shores of Loch Awe. Your guests are welcome to hire a boat to while away a few spare moments.

## WALKING

With 240 acres of landscaped grounds, wooded gardens and one or two hidden secrets, it's hard not to be lured away for a gentle stroll at Ardanaiseig. And for guests that stay beyond your wedding day we will happily recommend some beautiful walking routes in the Highlands that match their abilities.





### ARDANAISEIG PACKAGE

THREE COURSE WEDDING BREAKFAST  
*choose from menu option 1 or 2*

CHAIR COVERS AND COPPER TIES

### LOCH AWE PACKAGE

THREE COURSE WEDDING BREAKFAST  
*Including complimentary appetiser, pre-dessert, coffee  
and confectionary · choose from menu option 3 or 4*

CHAIR COVERS AND COPPER TIES

NAME STAND FOR EACH TABLE

4 CANAPÉS FROM THE CHEF'S SELECTION  
*served during the drinks reception*

### BEN-NEAGH PACKAGE

THREE COURSE MENU TASTING  
*for the Bride and Groom*

THREE COURSE WEDDING BREAKFAST  
*Including complimentary appetiser, pre-dessert, coffee  
and confectionary · choose from menu option 5 or 6*

CHAIR COVERS AND COPPER TIES

NAME STAND FOR EACH TABLE

CANDELABRA FOR EACH TABLE

6 CANAPÉS FROM THE CHEF'S SELECTION  
*served during the drinks reception*

ONE GLASS OF HOUSE PROSECCO  
*served during the drinks reception*

HALF BOTTLE OF HOUSE WINE  
*per person for wedding breakfast*

ALL PACKAGES INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING AS STANDARD:

BANQUETING CHAIRS · TABLES · TABLE LINEN

CREAM AISLE RUNNER (*for indoor use only*) · ROUND OR SQUARE CAKE STAND AND KNIFE





# Menu

## OPTIONS

### DINNER MENU · OPTION 1

CREAM OF COURGETTE SOUP WITH TAPENADE  
BREAST OF CORN FED CHICKEN  
*with Pearl Barley, Wild Mushrooms and Fine Beans*  
STICKY TOFFEE PUDDING  
*with Butterscotch Sauce and Vanilla Ice-Cream*

### DINNER MENU · OPTION 2

TOMATO AND BASIL TART WITH PESTO  
SADDLE OF VENISON  
*with Roasted Root Vegetables, Glazed Pear and Beetroot*  
VANILLA PANNACOTTA  
*with Berries and Raspberry Coulis*

### DINNER MENU · OPTION 3

INVERAWE SMOKED SALMON, POTATO SALAD AND HERB OIL  
HERB CRUSTED SADDLE OF LAMB  
*with Tomatoes, Aubergine, Roast Potatoes and Thyme Scented Jus*  
LEMON TART  
*with Raspberries Coulis and Berries*

### DINNER MENU · OPTION 4

INVERAWE SMOKED HADDOCK RAVIOLI WITH GRAIN MUSTARD  
SIRLOIN OF SCOTCH ABERDEEN ANGUS BEEF  
*with Potato Puree, Pancetta and Wild Mushrooms and Red Wine Jus*  
RASPBERRY CRANACHAN  
*with Oats, Whiskey and Honey*

### DINNER MENU · OPTION 5

GRILLED FILLET OF SEA BASS, SCALLOPS, SPINACH AND SAUCE VIERGE  
FILLET OF SCOTCH ABERDEEN ANGUS BEEF WELLINGTON  
*with Onion Puree, Wild Mushrooms and Madeira Jus*  
CHOCOLATE SET CUSTARD  
*with Seasonal Fruits and Nuts*

### DINNER MENU · OPTION 6

FILLET OF HALIBUT WITH CARROTS, SPINACH AND SAUTERNES SAUCE  
BREAST OF GRESSINGHAM DUCK  
*with Confit of Leg, Puy Lentils, Wild Mushrooms and Chutney*  
RASPBERRY TRIFLE  
*with Vanilla Custard*



# Canapé SELECTION

- CHEESE STRAWS
- BEEF KEBAB
- ROULADES ON TOAST
- QUAIL EGG
- CHICKEN LIVER PÂTÉ
- CREAM CHEESE & CHIVES
- SMOKED SALMON
- GOATS CHEESE WITH CHIVES
- SMOKED TROUT PÂTÉ
- SCALLOP KEBAB
- HAGGIS BALLS
- ROULADES ON TOAST
- SMOKED EEL
- DEVILS ON HORSEBACK

*Please note the majority of the canapés are on crouton biscuits.  
All options are subject to seasonal availability.*



# Buffet

## OPTIONS

### BUFFET MENU · OPTION 1

#### OPEN SANDWICHES

*Beef, Ham, Tuna, Smoked Salmon,  
Egg Mayonnaise, Chicken*

#### QUICHES

*Broccoli, Asparagus, Leek*

#### SAVOURIES (LARGE STYLE CANAPÉS)

*Pâté, Smoked Salmon, Goats Cheese, Welsh Rarebit*

#### CHICKEN AND SOLE GOUJONS WITH DIPS

#### SALADS

*Coleslaw, Potato Salad,  
Tuna Niçoise, Waldorf Salad*

#### FRUIT SALAD WITH FRESH CREAM

#### DARK CHOCOLATE TART WITH BERRIES

#### ASSORTED CHEESE PLATTER

*with Biscuits and Fruit*

### BUFFET MENU · OPTION 2

#### STEAMED MUSSELS WITH CREAM AND HERBS

#### SEA BASS ESCABECHE

#### SMOKED SALMON WITH LEMON AND DILL

#### SEAFOOD COCKTAIL · CRAB, LOBSTER, PRAWNS

#### POACHED SALMON WITH LEMON MAYONNAISE

#### BEEF STROGANOFF WITH PILAFF RICE

#### TOMATO AND AUBERGINE LASAGNE

#### A SELECTION OF

#### BREADS, SALADS AND DRESSINGS

#### FRUIT SALAD WITH FRESH CREAM

#### DARK CHOCOLATE TART WITH BERRIES

#### ASSORTED CHEESE PLATTER

*with Walnut Bread, Biscuits and Fruit*

### BUFFET MENU · OPTION 3

#### PRESSED SEAFOOD TERRINE WITH CAVIAR

#### SEA BASS ESCABECHE, STEAMED MUSSELS

#### LOBSTER PLATTER

#### SMOKED TROUT WITH LEMON AND DILL

#### CHICKEN LIVER PARFAIT WITH APPLE CHUTNEY

#### CONFIT OF DUCK TERRINE WITH RED ONION CONFIT

#### ASPARAGUS AND LEEK QUICHES

#### FILLET OF BEEF WELLINGTON, WITH ROAST POTATOES

#### COLD POACHED SALMON WITH LEMON MAYONNAISE

#### A SELECTION OF

#### BREADS, SALADS AND DRESSINGS

#### GLAZED LEMON TART

*with Raspberry Coulis and Berries*

#### PASSION FRUIT BRÛLÉE

#### FRUIT SALAD WITH FRESH CREAM

#### ASSORTED CHEESE PLATTER

*with Walnut and Sultana Bread and Fruit*



# Drinks

## PACKAGES

### PROSECCO PACKAGE

2 GLASSES OF PROSECCO FOR THE DRINKS RECEPTION  
HALF A BOTTLE OF WINE FROM OUR HOUSE SELECTION  
HALF A BOTTLE OF STILL OR SPARKLING MINERAL WATER  
1 GLASS OF PROSECCO FOR THE TOAST

### HOUSE CHAMPAGNE PACKAGE

2 GLASSES OF ARDANAISEIG HOUSE CHAMPAGNE FOR THE DRINKS RECEPTION  
HALF A BOTTLE OF WINE FROM OUR HOUSE SELECTION  
HALF A BOTTLE OF STILL OR SPARKLING MINERAL WATER  
1 GLASS OF ARDANAISEIG HOUSE CHAMPAGNE FOR THE TOAST

### CELEBRATORY CHAMPAGNE PACKAGE

2 GLASSES OF GRAND MARQUE CHAMPAGNE FOR THE DRINKS RECEPTION  
1 BOTTLE OF WINE FROM OUR SELECTED WEDDING WINE RANGE  
1 BOTTLE OF STILL OR SPARKLING MINERAL WATER  
1 GLASS OF GRAND MARQUE CHAMPAGNE FOR THE TOAST



WHERE TO *Find* US

### FROM GLASGOW/GLASGOW AIRPORT

(90 MILES)

Take the M8 towards Greenock, exiting at Junction 30 for the Erskine Bridge.

Exit the bridge onto the A82 towards Loch Lomond and Tarbet.

At Tarbet take the A83 to Inverary then the A819 to Loch Awe.

At the T-junction at Loch Awe take a left onto A85 and continue through the village of Loch Awe and Bridge of Awe until you reach Taynuilt.

In Taynuilt turn left onto the B845 - a six mile single-track road leading to the hamlet of Kilchrenan.

Turn left at the Kilchrenan Inn onto a single-track road.

After 3.8 miles you will reach Ardanaiseig.

### FROM EDINBURGH/EDINBURGH AIRPORT

(115 MILES)

Follow the M9 past the Stirling bypass.

Take the A84 at Junction 10 through Doune and Callander towards Strathyre, Lochearnhead.

Keep on the A85 towards Oban, through Crianlarich and Tyndrum to Taynuilt.

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# Testimonials

*"Thank you so much for making our wedding just as we wanted it. We absolutely loved our stay at Ardanaiseig and cannot fault a single thing. The hotel and surroundings could not have been more perfect and the food and fabulous service from yourselves and all other members of staff couldn't have been better! Thank you for making our special day perfect!"*

*Mr & Mrs Sellers*

*"Once again thank you for doing such a fabulous job organising everything during the last couple of weeks before the wedding. Your calm professional manner and reassurances were invaluable. Nothing was too much trouble and I knew I could contact you any time and receive a quick response.*

*From the moment we arrived at Ardanaiseig you managed to make ourselves and our guests feel 'at home'. We received many comments throughout the weekend about how helpful you were and so lovely to deal with. Comments we were happy to agree with!*

*Our whole wedding weekend was totally how we imagined it would be and that is because of you and the rest of the Ardanaiseig staff. Every little detail was covered. The drawing room looked superb with the seat covers, the canapés were delicious and the meal exceeded expectations. Everyone was talking about it for days afterwards. Some of our guests said it was the best wedding they had ever been too!"*

*Mr & Mrs Mowat*





# ARDANAISEIG

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