DIY Weddings at Comrie Croft

"The all you need to know stuff!"



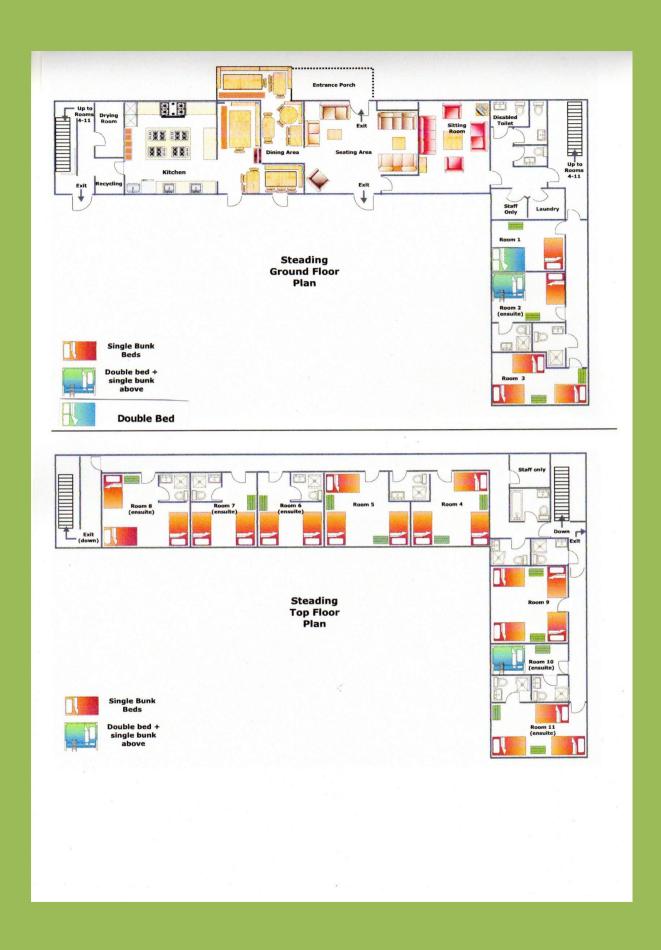
Kirsty Mackenzie Photography

As soon as you book to be married at Comrie Croft you should contact Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Services, Perth and Kinross Council at 5 High Street, Perth PH1 5JS. Tel: 01738 475121 or email perth-registrars@pkc.gov.uk

What's Included?

Accommodation - The Steading





- Sleeps 58
- 11 bedrooms (6 en-suite)
- Bedding provided (duvet & pillow with freshly laundered bed linen) beds to be made up on arrival & stripped on departure
- Individual towels are not provided, but can be hired (£2 per towel we don't have enough for everyone though!)
- Hand soap and hand towels are provided
- Bathmats provided
- Toilet paper provided

Sitting rooms:

- Comfy sofas & chairs
- Book borrowing library
- Radio
- TV/DVD player
- Toy box

Kitchen:

- 1 x 6-ring gas stove & oven
- 4 x 4-ring gas hobs
- 1 x microwave
- 1 x hot water boiler
- 1 x toaster
- 1 x standard fridge + 1 x big fridge
- 1 x big chest freezer
- 1 x dishwasher
- Plenty of crockery, cutlery etc for 58
- Plenty of pots (incl. big catering size ones), utensils etc to cook for 58
- Dry food storage areas
- Tea towels and cloths/sponges provided
- Washing up liquid provided
- Cleaning materials provided
- Bin bags provided
- Recycling bins (please recycle as much as possible)
- Compost bin
- Tea, coffee & sugar provided

Dining Area:

- 8 tables of varying size with bench & chair seating for up to 58
- 4 x high chairs

Laundry:

- 2 washing machines (coin operated) for guest use after 5pm
- 2 tumble dryers (coin operated) for guest use after 5pm
- 1 iron & ironing board

Drying Room:

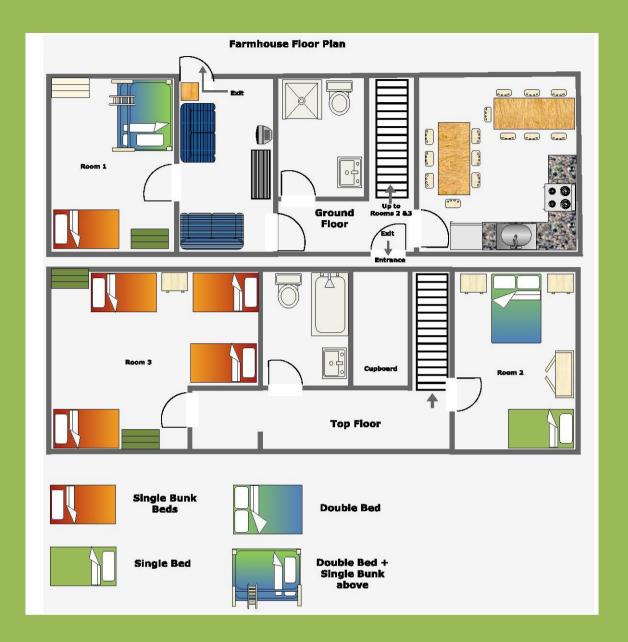
- Heater & dehumidifier
- Compact room but ample hanging space

Additional Info:

- 1 x travel cot available
- Dogs welcome (see dog guidelines in 'Other Information' section)

The Farmhouse





- Sleeps 16
- 3 bedrooms
- Bedding provided (duvet & pillow with freshly laundered bed linen) beds to be made up on arrival & stripped on departure
- Individual towels are not provided, but can be hired

Shared bath/shower rooms & toilets:

- 1 x shower & toilet
- 1 x bathroom & toilet
- Hand soap provided
- Hand towels only provided bring your own individual towel
- Bathmat provided
- Toilet paper provided

Cosy sitting room:

2 x sofas

• TV/DVD

Kitchen & Dining Area:

- 1 x 4-ring electric hob & oven
- 1 x microwave
- 1 x kettle
- 1 x toaster
- 1 x large fridge
- Plenty of crockery, cutlery etc for 16
- Plenty of pots, utensils etc to cook for up to 16
- Dry food storage areas
- Tea towels and cloths/sponges provided
- Washing up liquid provided
- Cleaning materials provided
- Bin bags provided
- Recycling bins (please recycle as much as possible)
- Compost bin
- 2 tables with chairs for up to 16
- 1 x high chair
- 1 x iron
- 1 x ironing board
- Tea, coffee & sugar provided

Additional Info:

- 1 x travel cot available
- Dogs welcome (see dog guidelines in 'Other Information' section)

The Barn



Photo taken by Claire Juliet Paton Photography

The barn is a big old rustic blank canvas for you to work your magic on! It's a fantastic space for you to decorate as you wish to make it truly unique for your special day, and with help from friends and family, it can be a great fun experience too. It's amazing what even some greenery, tea lights and straw bales can do!

Capacity:

• 200 maximum capacity

General info:

- Unheated
- Empty space, apart from church pews these can be moved around within the barn as you like, The pews are not uniform in size and the measurements are approximate.
- 2 x 1310mm
- 4 x 1340mm
- 1 x 2300mm
- 1 x 2360mm
- 2 x 2380mm
- 4 x 2400mm

- 3 x 2420mm 3 x 2450mm
- 2 x 4630mm
- Double doors for drop off & pick up of equipment with vehicles (approx. 3m x 3m)
- The barn can be decorated as you like, but must be cleared and left as you find it before you leave
- Disabled access
- Step ladders available to use (see Other Information Section)
- Candles can be used but must be kept away from flammable materials (eg. straw bales) and must be contained (eg. in glass jar)

Lighting:

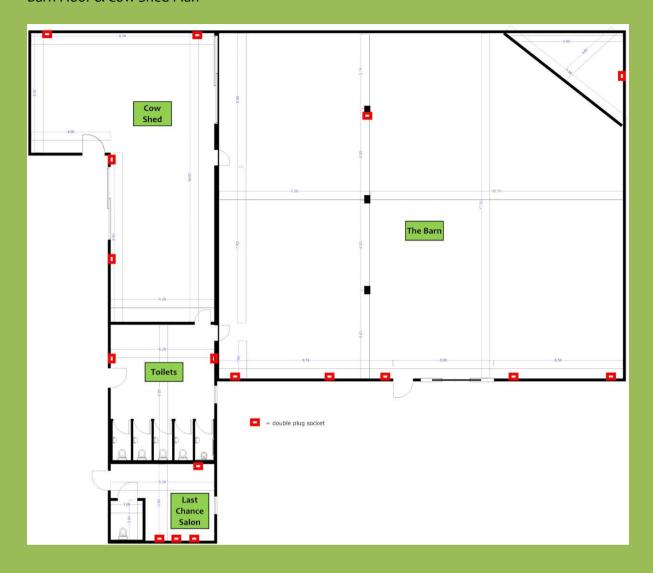
- Roof star lights
- Colour changing up lights on each side of the barn pointing up to the ceiling.

Power:

- 10 power points (5 double sockets)
- Maximum power output is around 7,500 watts

Cow Shed toilets all have soap hand towels and loo roll provided.

Barn Floor & Cow Shed Plan



The Cow Shed





Usually the 'Plan B' ceremony location for those who plan to get wed outdoors, when the good old Scottish weather interferes!

Capacity:

- 80-100 seated depending on whether you use pews or chairs
- Can fit more people if you are standing and if you open the doors into the barn.

General Info:

- Approved location for wedding ceremonies overlooking the courtyard
- Heated characterful space with beams and bucket lampshades!
- Great space for a bar, photobooth, guest book or drinks reception area
- The Cow Shed can be decorated as you like, but must be cleared and left as you find it before you leave (by 1pm on check out day)
- Disabled access

Power:

- 14 power points (7 double sockets)
- Maximum power output around 10,500 watts

Additional Information:

Chairs & Tables available to use:

- 200 matching wooden folding chairs
- Trestle tables (approx. 6ft long x 2ft 6 wide, 183cm x 76cm) 11
- Trestle tables (approx. 8ft long x 2 ft 6 wide, 244cm x 76cm) 15
- Round Tables (approx. 6' diameter) 16
- Step ladders available to use we have two sets of standard step ladders that you are welcome to borrow. Our insurance doesn't allow us to lend out long ladders, but we have rigged up a pulley to the central apex of the barn roof so that you can hang lights, bunting, decorations etc. from that point.
- Candles are perfect but need to be in jars so that they are not a fire hazard

The Courtyard



The courtyard, set between the Steading and Farmhouse, is a lovely spot for a log fire and BBQ. If the weather is kind, it's a sun trap most of the afternoon.

Capacity:

• 200 maximum capacity

General Information

- Approved location for wedding ceremonies
- Gravel/pebble surface with flagstone patio area in corner
- Fire pit for log fire logs available to buy
- BBQ available
- Disabled access

Ceremony Information

• You can have chairs set up, but it's your responsibility to take them there and clear them away after the ceremony – the chairs and pews cannot get wet.

Wedding Ceremony Locations

Here is a link to marriage in **Scotland information**.

You can get married anywhere on the Croft, there is one favourite though...

The Woodland Clearing -



Photo taken by Catching the Moments

Indoor Ceremonies:

- Cow Shed or
- Barn

Outdoor:

- High Meadow or Low Meadow
 - Must be hired at an extra cost, if you would like to use it for your ceremony
 - You can take the chairs, but it's your responsibility to take them there and clear them away after the ceremony
- Clearing in the Camping Woodland

- This is a natural area, so no grass cutting, pruning of trees etc is done
- You can have chairs set up, but it's your responsibility to take them there and clear them away after the ceremony
- There may be people camping on pitches nearby to prevent this you can buy the pitches for that day.
- Walking & mountain bike trails pass near the clearing
- Vehicle access to the top path is available for drop off and pick up and disabled access only

• By the Millpond

- This is a natural area, so no grass cutting, pruning of trees etc is done
- You can take chairs there, but it's your responsibility to take them there and clear them away after the ceremony
- Walking & mountain bike trails pass by the millpond
- Vehicle access to the top path is available for drop off and pick up and disabled access only

Courtyard

Check-in & Check-out Times

| Location | Check-in | Check-out |
|----------------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| Steading & Farmhouse | 3pm | 10.30am - Bedrooms & bathrooms |
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| | | 1pm - Kitchen & dining area |
| Kata | 3pm | 10:30am |
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| Camping | 1pm | Midday |
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| Cow Shed | *3pm | 1pm |
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| Barn | *3pm | 1pm |
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^{*}Earlier entry to the Cow Shed & Barn may be possible, but we won't be able to confirm this until nearer your booking date

Setting Up

The Barn and Meeting Room can be decorated as lavishly or as simply as you like! We're not wedding planners - we provide the space and you are in control of how these areas are set up and decorated for your wedding. Most folk gather friends and family together on the day of arrival and the job is done in no time (the bonus being you get to spend more time with your guests, and its usually great fun).

Decorations

The decoration and final look of the place is entirely up to you. You can bring your own decorations or hire them in and have a proper DIY wedding, or bring in the experts to do it all for you. For inspiration from previous Comrie Croft Weddings, have a look at the photos on The Wedding at Comrie Croft Facebook page.

Hired Equipment

You're welcome to hire as much equipment from outside suppliers as you like, and it's no problem to have things delivered to the Croft on the day of your arrival and collected on day of departure. It's useful for us to know the following so we can deal with any deliveries/collections in your absence:

- What is being delivered/collected
- What company is delivering/collecting
- What time deliveries/collections are expected
- Where deliveries should go/things to be collected are stored

Noise Policy

• Music cut off time – 11pm

We want you to feel at home and have an amazing time at the Croft. Although you might feel like you have the place to yourselves, there are a couple of staff households living onsite, plus others camping, and a wee bit further away we have our neighbours to consider. The cut off time for all amplified music is therefore 11pm. After that, lower level sound is ok in the barn, silent disco's work the best, you could think about scheduling your day so things happen earlier (eg. have your ceremony at 12/1pm rather than 1/2pm) rather than later. Your consideration is appreciated.

Clean Up

Barn & Cow Shed

You are responsible for clearing up in the Barn & Cow Shed by 1pm on the day of your departure. As with the setting up, most folk gather the same good friends and family together and the job is done in no time.

- All decorations (including plants/greenery) must be taken away with you
- All hired equipment must be collected on the day of departure (unless agreed with us beforehand)
- All Comrie Croft tables & chairs must be returned to where they came from
- All rubbish must be taken out and put in the appropriate bins
- Barn floor swept

Accommodation

We appreciate if all accommodation is left as tidy and clean as possible, and all areas vacated by the correct check-out times (10:30am from all bedrooms and 1pm from everywhere else). All used bedding should be brought to the laundry.

Recycling

Please, please, please recycle as much as you possibly can. We have separate bins for various types of waste and it's a great help to both us and the environment, if these can be used correctly. We have limited waste capacity, so if you fill the bins, please take all other waste away with you. There are recycling centres in Comrie and Crieff.

- Paper, card, plastic, cans
- Glass
- Food waste/compost
- General waste (this should be minimal)
- No bins for garden waste, so please take any plants/greenery away with you

Parking

There is loads of parking space for up to 100 cars. We do try to encourage our guests to car share or use public transport where possible though, and the driveway is coach accessible if you'd like to arrange private coach transfers for your guests.

Dogs

Well behaved & quiet dogs on a lead are very welcome. There are lots of nice walks to take them on and interesting smells to sniff.

In the Steading & Farmhouse:

- Dogs can stay in ground floor rooms and have access to public areas except the kitchen. Please let us know you are bringing a dog at time of booking.
- £5 charge per dog per stay
- Dogs not to be left in the room alone
- Dogs not allowed on beds
- 2 dogs per room max
- All doggie business to be bagged and binned (even away up in the woods!)

In Nordic Katas:

- £5 dog charge
- Dogs not allowed on the bed
- Dogs not to be left in the kata alone
- 2 dogs max per kata
- All doggie business to be bagged and binned (even away up in the woods!)

If you are camping with your own tent:

- No charge
- 2 dogs max per pitch
- All doggie business to be bagged and binned (even away up in the woods!)

We really appreciate your help in these things so that we keep the Croft a doggie and people friendly place.

Firewood

There is a fire pit in the courtyard so please do have a fire! You can bring your own wood to burn or buy some of our big sacks of split logs (£6 a sack). Please *do not* to take wood that is lying around in the woodland, as it is a vital part of the natural ecosystems we are trying to encourage at Comrie Croft.

Tree Planting

You are welcome to plant a tree at Comrie Croft to commemorate your wedding day.

- Any type of tree is allowed
- Stake & protector tube must be provided
- It must go at the far end of the High Meadow only, across the fence but at least 2m from bike trail (we will show you where)
- You cannot choose another location to plant a tree

Payment Terms

To confirm a booking we ask for 10% non-refundable deposit, then 40% half way between booking your wedding and your actual wedding and the remaining 50% to be paid three months in advance.

Cancellation Terms

If you cancel and give 1 years notice or more the cancellation fee is the 10% deposit. If you cancel and give between 12 and 3 months' notice the cancellation fee is 50%, if you cancel with 3 month's notice or less the cancellation fee is 100%.

Nordic kata (these are not included in wedding price)





- Sleep up to 4 adults
- 1 x large raised sleeping platform

- Scatter cushions
- Bedding is not provided you must bring your own

Cooking facilities:

- Wood burning stove can be used for cooking (soups, stews etc work well)
- 1 x burner gas stove provided
- 1 x frying pan
- Basic cooking utensils
- 4 x bowls
- 4 x plates
- 4 x cups
- 4 x Sporks
- 1 x water container
- 1 x cool box
- 1 x washing up basin
- 1 x tea towel

Dining:

- 1 x hand crafted table
- 2 chairs

Lighting:

- LED lighting
- Bring a torch to find your way around outside no lights in the woods!

Heating:

Wood burning stove

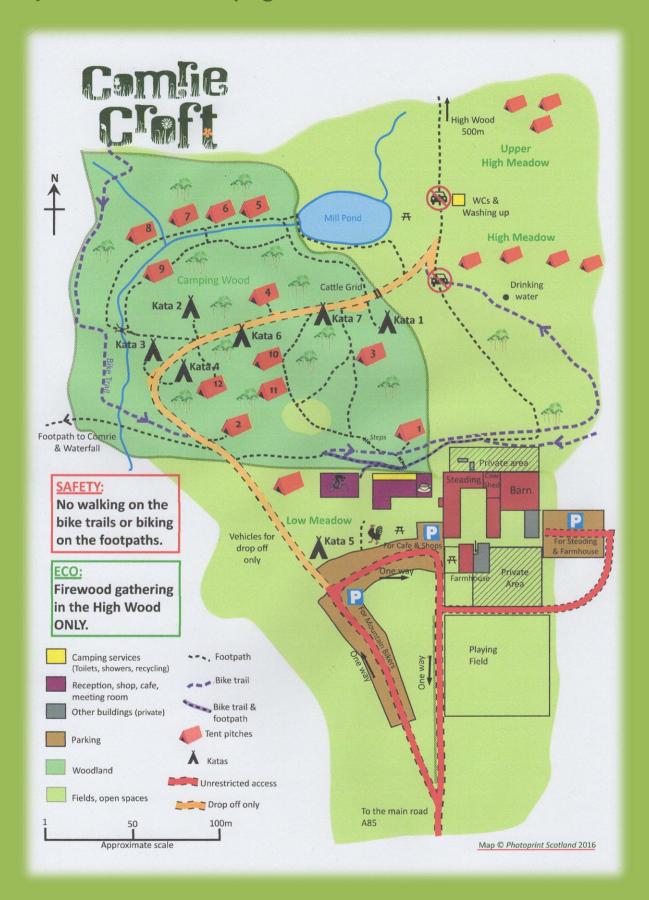
Outside the kata:

- 1 x picnic table
- 1 x hammock suspended between the trees (not kata 5)
- 1 x fire pit
- Compost toilet

Additional Info:

- 1 x bag of wood is provided
- Logs, kindling & firelighters available to buy from shop
- Towels are not provided
- Vehicle access to the kata is available for drop off and pick up only

If you have booked camping?



Campsite Facilities (also for Katas)

Toilets & Showers:

- Located behind the Reception/shop
- 2 x individual showers
- 1 x individual electric shower & toilet (disabled access)
- 1 x individual toilet
- 2 x sinks
- Mop and squeegies provided to help keep the facilities clean
- 4 x toilets also at Reception/shop entrance (open 24 hours)

Compost Toilets:

- Located at the edge of the High Meadow
- 2 x toilets
- Washing up facilities

In all 'standard' toilets:

- Hand soap provided
- Hand towels provided Individual towels available to hire
- Toilet paper provided

Washing up Area:

- Located behind the Reception/shop
- 3 x washing up sinks (1 disabled access)
- Sponges, cloths & tea towels provided
- Washing up liquid provided
- Hand soap provided
- Recycling bins (please recycle as much as possible)

Other facilities:

- 1 x fridge/freezer
- 1 x microwave
- Lockers available for hire (240v socket in each) for charging phones, using a hairdryer etc.
- Logs, kindling & firelighters available to buy from shop