

# *Weddings*

at Riddle's Court



*The perfect place for  
your perfect day*





# Riddle's Court

This unique historic gem in the heart of the Royal Mile is the perfect setting for the most memorable occasions, whether big or small

This is Edinburgh's top rated romantic wedding setting with 16th century painted ceilings, elegant rooms and intimate courtyards, all conveniently located in the heart of Edinburgh's Old Town.

## An ideal retreat

Whether you are looking for a traditional elegant event or a more intimate and relaxed celebration, we have the perfect venue. Personal and intimate, Riddle's Court is the ideal venue for a wedding with a difference with a unique and iconic character making your wedding exceptional for both you and your guests. The King's Chamber, our onsite 16th century apartment, is an ideal honeymoon suite for newlyweds.

## Character and charm

From the moment you enter from the Royal Mile, the venue exudes character and charm with a peaceful and relaxing atmosphere away from the bustle of city life. Our experienced team will work with you to bring your ideas to life, creating the style and atmosphere that is right for you.

## A connection to history

The historic rooms are the perfect choice for ceremonies, receptions, wedding breakfasts and even ceilidhs with a difference. Only a short walk from Edinburgh Castle, St Giles Cathedral and the Royal Mile Registry Office, we are perfectly positioned in the Old Town with lots of options for hotels and accommodation nearby. When you book your wedding at Riddle's Court, all the profit goes back into our charitable mission of restoring and renovating beautiful historic buildings.



*The historic staircase provides the perfect photo opportunity*

## Attention to detail

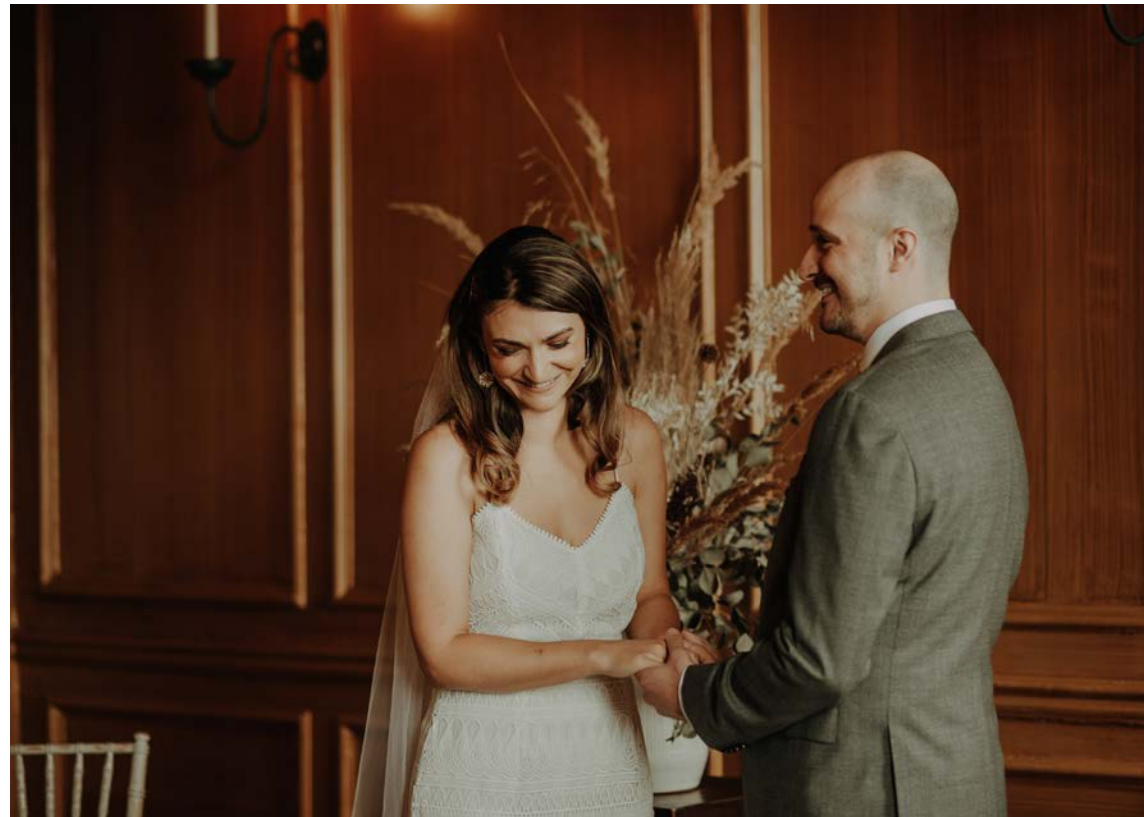
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*The Seton Room, a beautiful quiet space for signing the register or enjoying a relaxing glass of champagne*



## Three perfect days



Thank you for the amazing service and care given to us while planning our wedding and on the day itself. We couldn't have asked for a more thoughtful or engaging team. Your service, and the beautiful venue itself, truly made our little COVID wedding a loving, stunning and memorable experience.

Cassie  
& Jake



Becky &  
Sam

Riddle's Court is a beautiful venue! The lovely Gail and Roseanne hosted our wedding, and they were amazing from start to finish. It was a bit of a nightmare organizing everything during the pandemic, but Gail pulled it off. Nothing was too much of a hassle. From organizing a new partnership with caterers to last-minute changes celebrants and photographers, the Riddles Court team really made our day everything we wanted.

Alison &  
James

We visited and fell in love with the history, architecture and the overall feel of Riddle's Court.



From our first meeting, through to planning, the actual day itself and even afterwards, the events coordinators were a pleasure to work with. Always very communicative and happy to help. We were offered a lot of flexibility so that the day could be exactly how we imagined!

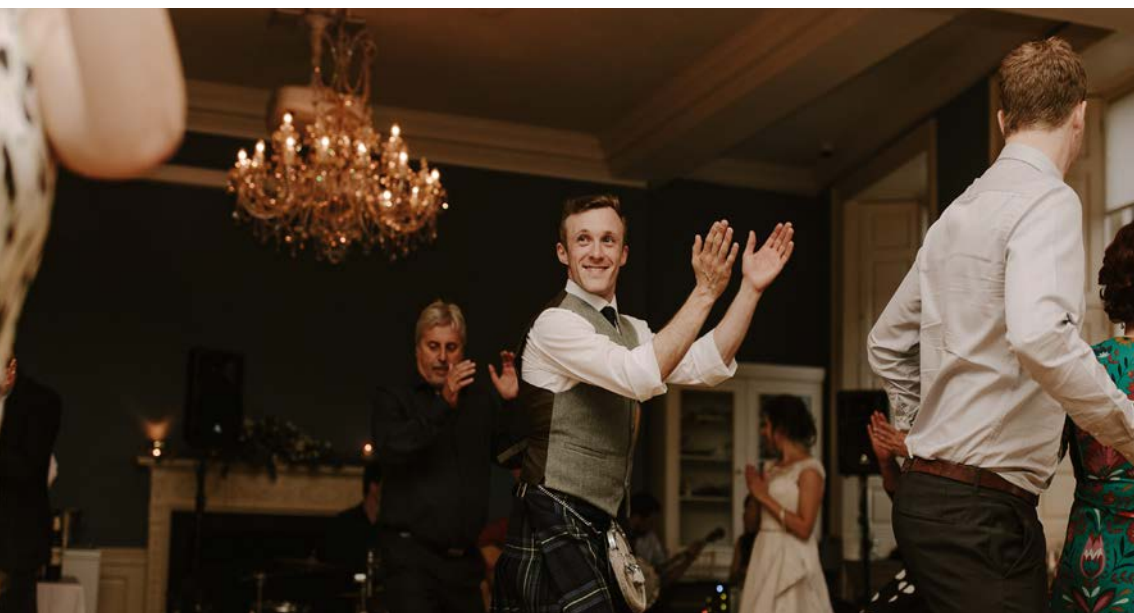
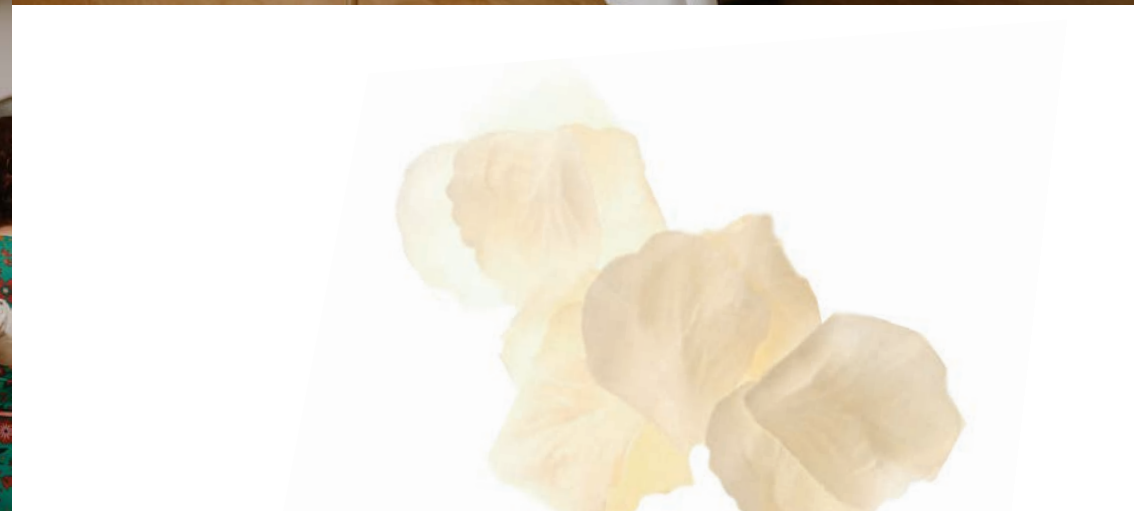
The day itself was so relaxed and everything seemed to flow seamlessly! All our guests remarked on what a beautiful and unique venue it was.

All in all, we would highly recommend Riddle's Court to anyone looking for a truly special venue in the heart of Edinburgh!



## The Library

Riddle's Court is more than just a venue. It offers a collection of beautiful historically significant rooms with intriguing history, stunning period decoration and original working fireplaces. The Library Room is named after the subscription library situated here in the 1850s - one of the first libraries to be open to all. It was described as 'one of the most valuable institutions in the city'. Spacious, airy and south facing, the Library Room is suitable for an elegant wedding breakfast for up to 60 guests, and can be transformed into a grand ballroom or ceilidh dance floor for an evening reception.



## The Geddes Room

'By leaves we live'. This quotation from Patrick Geddes, one of Scotland's foremost environmentalists, perhaps explains the many vibrant leaves, plants and flowers portrayed in the stunning hand painted ceiling of the Geddes Room. It was commissioned as part of Geddes' University Hall in the

early 1900s, and depicts messages of ecology, philosophy and education for all. With its stylish panelled walls and captivating ceiling, the Geddes Room is fully accessible and seats up to 60 guests for a ceremony and 40 for a meal. It is a truly unique place to exchange your vows.





## The Seton Room

The Seton Room takes its name from Alexander Seton, Chancellor of Scotland in the reign of James VI, in the early 1600s. The ceiling in this room is a splendid example of the type of plasterwork which was the height of fashion in Scotland in the seventeenth century. The bay window booths were added as part of Geddes' restoration and have amazing views across Edinburgh to the Pentland Hills.

This is the perfect space to take a quiet moment with your loved one, whether it be to sign the registry or to have a celebratory glass of champagne as newlyweds. The picturesque booths provide the perfect photogenic corner for a moment of reflection. Ideal for elopements or small ceremonies, the Seton Room is ideal for a cosy and intimate celebration.



## The King's Chamber



The romantic and private apartment offers a modern kitchen, open plan living space and ensuite shower room right in the heart of Edinburgh. It's the ideal place to relax and reflect on your big day.

From the luxurious king size bed you can admire the intricate, exquisite detailing on the stunning original beams above.

After a wonderful wedding, slip away to our onsite honeymoon suite, the King's Chamber.

The bedroom with its 16th century painted beams was once used by King James VI of Scotland to host a Royal dinner party for the Duke of Holstein.





*Ten experts to  
help make your  
perfect day*

At Riddle's Court we always look to put your ideas and vision first. We will always try to accommodate any requests you have from cultural celebrants to family traditions.

We will also develop with you a wedding planning timetable to help keep us all on track, ensuring your wedding planning goes smoothly. Please feel free to contact the Events Team on 0131 510 8789 about how we can help you finalise your wedding plan within your budget.

These are just a few people we love working with and who provide extraordinary services to make your day perfect.



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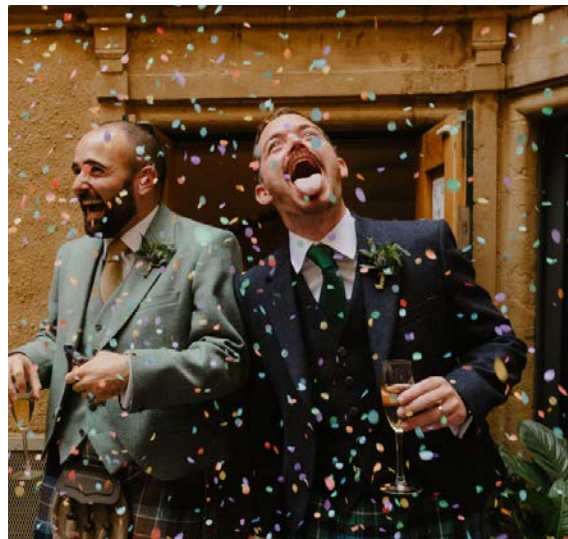
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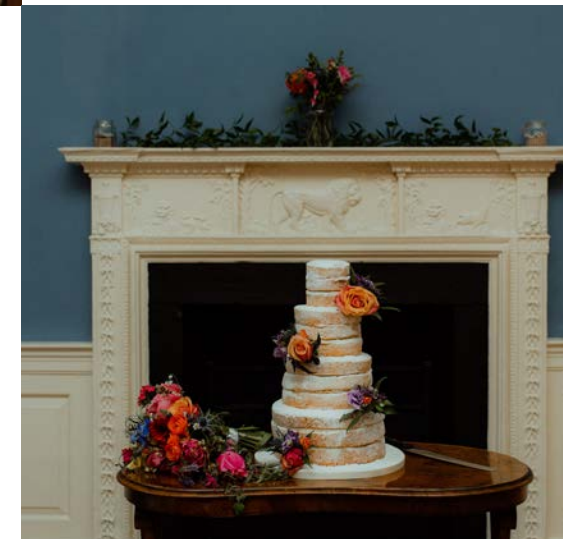
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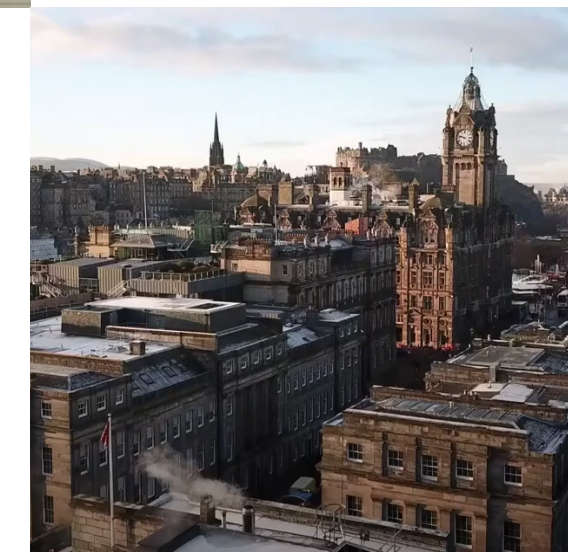
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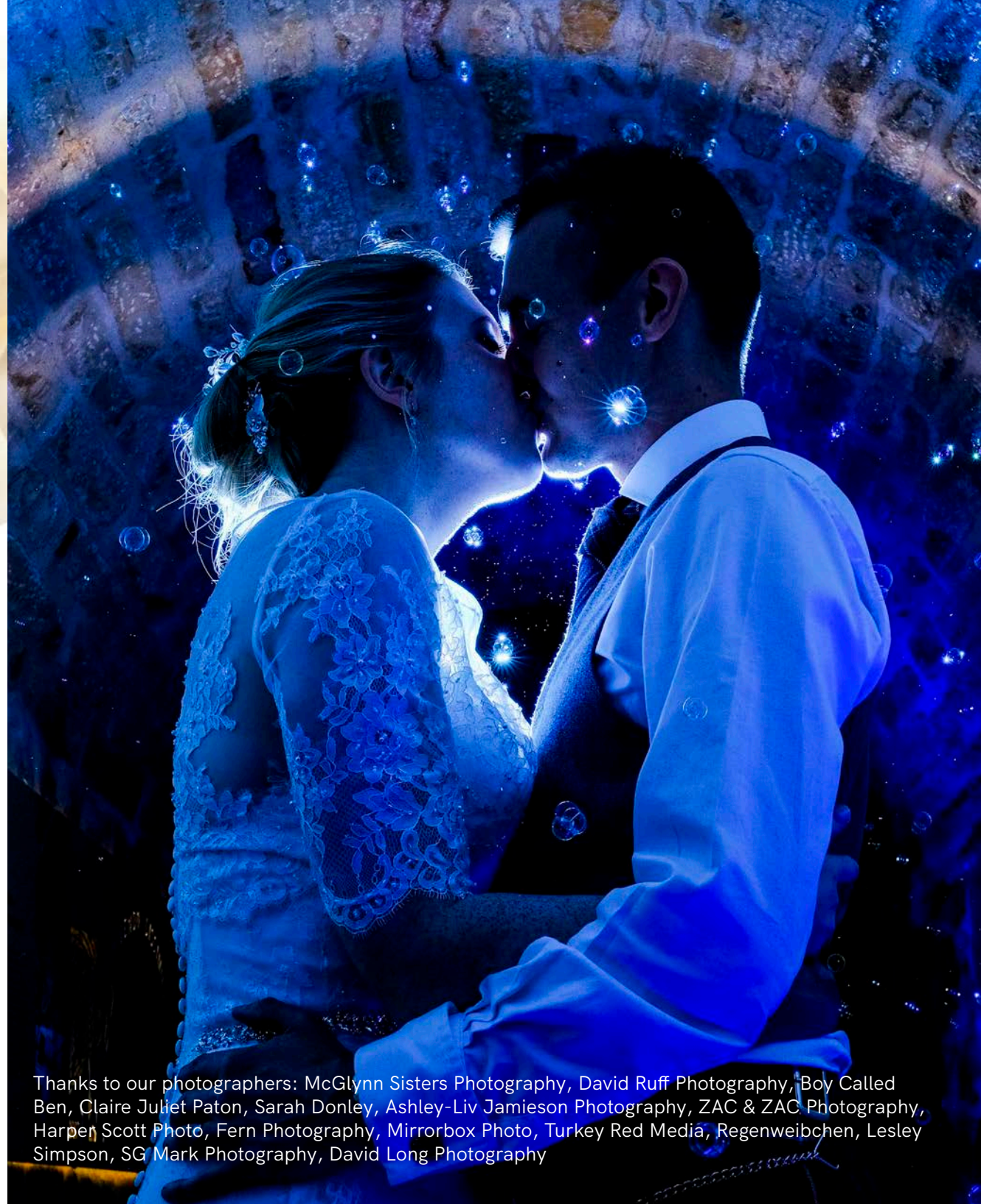
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