When should you start forward planning your wedding?



The question is when do you actually want to have your wedding? Is there a time of year you love the most or elements of your day you see being ideal in the height of summer or on a crisp winter day? If you start by answering when you want to get married, you can work backwards from there.

Each season has something magical and particular about it – that's why we love London wedding venues after all!!

Summer weddings

This, of course, should be the season with the best weather - long sunny days and light evenings where you and your guests can take advantage of any venues with outdoor space by having reception drinks, al fresco dining, casual BBQs and outside evening bars. You can really make the most of any outdoor areas at your venue and make them as much of a part of your day as the inside of the venue. You don't have to do anything too complicated either, simply have a little of the furniture outside and this will encourage your guests to stay outside. This is a perfect time of year for the sun lovers and the summer partiers!

Autumn weddings

September and October weddings have become more and more popular – we can't guarantee blazing sunshine at any time of the year so why not embrace those beautiful autumnal colours and use as an inspiration for your wedding scheme. The hazy, warm, orange tones will warm up any chiller autumn day or highlight that late / last sunshine of the year. If you have selected a venue with views over parkland or trees, the outside colour will compliment and extend your reception space into the outdoors without guests even having to brave the cold.

Winter weddings

Whether you are looking for a cold November, Christmassy December or "everyone loves something amazing to look forward to" January wedding, a winter wedding can be one of the most intimate and magical weddings. The chances are (although don't rule anything out in UK winters) that your guests aren't going to be using any outside space you have at your venue, but that doesn't mean that it can't be part of your day. A winter wedding means early darkness which means simple pea-lights, lanterns and candles can bring about an amazing transformation with minimal hassle, and your reception drinks, meal and dancing are all likely to be under your own lighting design allowing for a hugh amount of personalisation to the feel of your day.

Spring weddings

If you have always thought of a wedding room filled with spring blooms and that excited spring feeling as we all come out of our winter slump, then Spring is an ideal time of the year for you. Perhaps not a totally outside wedding but every chance that perhaps guests can enjoy a glass of bubbles in a little spring sunshine before they head inside for a wedding meal. This time of year is perfect to enjoy a wonderful sunset during your wedding day heralding in the evening "party" of your celebrations.

Gunnersbury Park has every element of the above for each season making it an ideal space for your wedding, regardless of the time of year you love – if you'd like to find out more about holding your wedding day at Gunnersbury Park, please get in touch with our team who will be able to help.