Bannatyne Hotel Darlington

Wedding Testimonials

Why not find out more about the wedding experience here at our hotel from some happily married Bannatyne couples....

Mr & Mrs Todd March 2018

Had a wonderful day/evening at my granddaughters wedding reception, from , 3 course meal was amazing, staff so very attentive to all guests. Bar staff very efficient all evening . Had lovely room to stay over with full English breakfast , very nicely resented. I would like to thank all staff members for giving us all such a wonderful day.

Mr and Mrs Humble November 2017

Where do I start, apart from Thank you!

Throughout the whole process from us booking with you for our wedding to the actual wedding day cannot fault you, hotel staff and the venue.

Any questions or queries that we had, Jade you were there to give me and answer, you contacted me when you said you would and all meetings were kept and on time. Nothing was too big or too small and any requests that we did have were catered for. I didn't feel at any point that all the questions and queries that I had were too much or that I was asking too many!

Shaun and I had the most perfect day, the venue was amazing, the food was amazing and your staff was on hand to help with any problem either big or small. I must point out that the food was amazing, was everything that we came and previously tasted, we had so many compliments about the food and how nice this was. A close friend said that she went to a wedding at Wynyard hall and the food was far better at Bannatynes, in fact everyone that we spoke to made a comment on the food, this includes the evening buffet and also the staff. My parents and Shaun's parents/family were amazed at the quality of food and the service to which you provided us.

Mr & Mrs Smith August 2017

We booked our wedding last minute in June 2017 for August 2017 so only had 2 months to plan. Jade the wedding planner and the staff were brilliant throughout the whole experience, they made our wedding the best and couldn't have asked for a better day. I stayed the night before, the room was amazing, the fruit basket was a nice touch we were allowed to stay in our room as long as we wanted to get ready for the wedding. The housekeepers were so nice to move all my belongings to our bridal suite. The ceremony was set out just as I wanted and the room itself was amazing. The food was delicious and guests told me how much they loved the food, the waiting staff were amazing and kept everyone topped up with drinks. They looked after us all the way through the day, the buffet was amazing on the night and there was more than enough for the guests. The bridal suite was amazing, best room we have ever stayed in and breakfast was outstanding, we loved every minute of our stay. Thank you Bannatyne and all the staff.

Mr & Mrs Close September 2017

We booked our September wedding here and were helped along the way by Jade who kept us well informed and gave us loads of ideas and pushed us along to make the best of our day. Nothing was a problem to her... she is a little star! We wanted a very informal do and that's what we got! The staff who were working on the day were great and joined in with the fun... Nothing was stuffy ...Thanks to all! Alex kept us right on the day making sure it all ran smoothly. Even when it started to rain as we were outside during the service! It came to nothing so all was good! The food was superb, we ordered the bbq and I would recommend to have that if like us you don't want a sit-down do.The bridal suite is lovely and so were all the other rooms that our guests stayed in. Breakfast was everything you want with a hangover and not much sleep! We were not rushed to clear the room even though they had another wedding set up, which looked absolutely stunning I must say! All in all we had a fantastic time from booking the wedding a year ago to the day after.Thanks to Jade and Alex and the whole team. Love Mr and Mrs Close (Jane and John) xx

Mr & Mrs Johnson July 2017

Would like to say a huge thank you to Jade and the team for making our wedding so special. All staff were there for all our needs and could not highly recommend bannatynes enough how amazing they were for our special day. Every detail to drinks and food were on point and down to the table set up. A Huge thank you again from Mr and Mrs Johnson

Mr & Mrs Pearson June 2017

Our wedding day at Bannatynes was absolutely fantastic! The hotel and gardens are stunning which make such a perfect venue for weddings. The whole day went seamlessly which was thanks to all the amazing staff who were friendly and so helpful, nothing was too much trouble and we were able to relax and enjoy our day x The food was outstanding, all our family and friends commented on this. So want to say a massive thank you from us both for making our special day so much more than we expected!

Mr & Mrs Lewins October 2016:

"Excellent service from the first enquiry right through to us checking out. What more can I say, nothing was a problem to the staff from the smallest detail right through to ensuring that they took the strain on the day (not that there was any as they were there checking all went smoothly). The food was excellent, all our guests have commented on the fabulous food and fantastic portion size. Every member of staff deserves recognition for how special they made us feel. Choice at breakfast was fantastic - something for everyone and if it wasn't out for you they did their best to get it for you. Duncan Bannatyne you should be very proud of your staff - they are a fantastic bunch of people who helped to make our wedding very special. Thank you all very much."

Mr & Mrs Keay September 2016:

"We recently got married at this venue and have to say how amazing all of the team are. We were made to feel like we the only couple getting married there this year and absolutely nothing was too much trouble. All of the staff worked so hard to make sure our day was perfect for us. The rooms are lovely and the food has always been fantastic every time we have been and they certainly pulled it out of the bag on our wedding day. The roast beef was to die for. We had so many lovely comments from our guests about the wedding breakfast food and also the evening buffet too and how lovely and helpful all the staff are. We cannot recommend this Hotel highly enough. You are a credit to yourselves and to Lucy the lovely manager. We can't wait to see you all again soon."

Mr & Mrs Smith August 2016:

"After getting married abroad, my new wife and I recently returned home and enjoyed the ideal wedding reception at Bannatynes Hotel in Darlington. We stayed for 2 nights in a very nice deluxe room, and hosted a reception for 50 people on the Sunday afternoon and evening in the Wilbur Suite. This had been planned for some time, with the help of wedding coordinator Jade. The reception went like clockwork, and well run by the very efficient supervisor Alex. Our 3 course meal was top quality, and thoroughly enjoyed by our guests, many of which also enjoyed staying overnight in the hotel. All of the staff that we met were friendly and welcoming. This is a well ran, lovely hotel in a good location in our opinion. Overall an excellent wedding reception, and a perfect weekend. We would certainly recommend Bannatynes for similar events!"

Mr & Mrs Clough June 2016:

"We have always enjoyed fabulous meals & friendly service at Bannatynes, Darlington. It wasn't a difficult decision to have our wedding at the hotel. The day was perfect from start to finish, the venue looked amazing, hotel was spotless, staff were extremely helpful and friendly as usual and everyone commented on the fabulous food. We couldn't have asked anything more. The whole day ran so smoothly, due to the highly professional staff and impeccable planning from the hotel. All our guests have commented it was the best wedding they have ever attended. Overall feedback was they didn't like to call the Bannatynes team 'staff', as it felt like being with friends."

Mr & Mrs Robinson December 2015:

"Please can I thank the team at Bannatynes for providing an outstanding service to me and my groom and our guests for our wedding venue. Receptionists (sorry I cannot remember your names) were fantastic. Jade event organiser and our toast master Alex were just fantastic as well. My day went perfectly smoothly. The food was delivered to my guests expertly and it was piping hot. Nothing was too much trouble for the team, and they helped me with any request or query that met us on the day. We were attended too and nothing was too much trouble for Bannatynes amazing team, so just want to say we can recommend Bannatynes of you are thinking of a wedding venue in Darlington I can strongly recommend Bannatynes to deliver the perfect day."

Keith and Wendy Robinson December 2015:

"Please can I thank the team at Bannatyne's for providing an outstanding service to me, my groom and our guests for our wedding venue. Jade, the Event Organiser and our toastmaster Alex were just fantastic. My day went perfectly smoothly, we were attended too and nothing was too much trouble for Bannatyne's amazing team."

James and Rachel Watson July 2015:

"I cannot emphasise how amazing our day was. The planning of the day was made so easy thanks to Jade. Her ideas and helpful input really helped us plan our perfect day. The day ran so smoothly thanks to Alex, our toastmaster and Lucy, the general manager. All of our guests have commented on the food, the staff and the surroundings and how fantastic they all were."

Jordan & Philip, June 2015:

"We got married here on 20th June and i could write an essay on here about how amazing the staff are! From booking right through to the day was faultless Jade and Alex are brilliant at keeping everything to plan and we had the most amazing day - but as well as Alex keeping us right on the day all the staff be it reception bar or waiting were brilliant. We had the best day ever thank you all so much."

Natalie & Daley, May 2015:

"I don't know where to even start to try to explain just how amazing the hotel and the staff were for my wedding (they always are amazing mind as I've visited the hotel many a time). They provided myself and my Husband with the most perfect wedding that was beyond even our dreams. The grounds are stunning for photographs both inside and out. The food was faultless and all of our guests commented on the quality. I just cannot fault it at all and it is a day we will treasure, for the rest of our lives. Thanks to each and every member of staff who played a part in our day"

Marie & Araz, May 2015:

"Thank you so much for a simply unforgettable wedding at your hotel. The day was perfect, everything we had ever hoped for and we can't thank all of the staff enough for all of the support and help we received before, and on our Wedding day. You all do such a fantastic job. Special thanks to Jade who did a fantastic job of coordinating all of our wedding requirements.

Fantastic Venue, Lovely food and Excellent service. Our Wedding weekend here will be remembered not only by us but also by all of our friends and family who also thought it was a perfect day."

Daibhidh & Abbi Penn, June 2014:

"We had our wedding at this venue and we were highly delighted. The venue is everything we wanted and the staff were excellent."

Lindsey & Matthew York, May 2014:

"I'm so pleased I chose this hotel as it did not disappoint. I've just got my pictures back and Bannatyne's offers the perfect backdrop from the gorgeous entrance to the beautiful lawn with the pavilion."

Melanie & Graeme Parvin, April 2014:

"We were married here in April and had a fantastic day. We would definitely recommend this hotel to get married at. Beautiful!"

Lynda & Mike Hill, March 2014:

"When we were looking for a wedding venue we had a lot of big country house types to choose from, but the minute I took my fiancé to Bannatyne he knew that was the place we would get married - It felt like home. Perfect. And our decision was cemented when we met the staff. I've never come across a team so in tune and well put together as the staff here."