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Ideas for Your Sustainable Wedding



Sustainability is a huge focus for some of our couples, so we have collated some of the best sustainable wedding ideas we have helped our brides and grooms with.

If you are interested in minimising the carbon footprint of your celebrations, read on!

1. Choose reusable or compostable decorations and tableware. Simple eucalyptus branches, strings of paper flowers, ivy tendrils, or even fallen branches from a local wood or park can help to transform your venue into a beautiful yet natural haven.
2. Reduce the amount of cut flowers at your wedding by decorating tables with living plants or potted flowers. You can also double these up as favours for your guests!
3. If you have flowers or plants left over after your wedding, why not donate your floral arrangements to a women's refuge or hospice so that they can be enjoyed again?
4. Send your wedding invites digitally or use recycled stationery.
5. Use recycled paper for your menu cards and place names.

6. Ensure your venue and/or caterer creates a menu using locally sourced ingredients. Here at The Royal Crescent Hotel and Spa, our chefs can create you a menu sourced entirely within Somerset if you wish!
7. Consider a vegan wedding cake, or one which can be decorated with ribbon and other reusable materials.
8. Provide wildflower seeds as wedding favours. Not only do these promote biodiversity, your guests, will think of you when their flowers bloom at home after the wedding!



9. Help your guests to plan their transport choices wisely; send public transport information with your invites, along with a link to Tesla's charging points map. Here at the hotel, we have three electric vehicle charging points.
10. Ask your venue to provide locally sourced beverages. We count Bath Gin and Minerva Wine amongst our local alcohol suppliers.
11. When it comes to wedding dress shopping, consider buying vintage; there are lots of second-hand wedding shops, some of which carry dresses never actually worn by the bride-to-be the first time. There are also websites such as [Still White](#) which sell sample and pre-loved wedding dresses. Or, if you're not keen on buying your dress second-hand, you might wish to consider buying from an ethical bridal designer such as Andrea Hawkes.

12. Opt for a virtual wedding book via an iPad and ask your guests to record a video message.

13. Add a charity to your gift list so guests have the option of donating.

14. Ask your venue about their wastage policy; where does excess food end up? How do they manage the disposal of toiletry bottles and other amenities?

15. Donate your dress to charity after your wedding or sell it on to another beautiful bride via Still White, eBay or another online store!



How ever you would like your special day to feel, our experienced and friendly events team have the connections and the know-how to make sure everything is exactly how you want it to be.