

# Homme House









# Welcome to our home

At Homme House our ethos is not that of a commercial wedding venue but of a welcoming and relaxed family home which we hope you will use as your own during your wedding celebrations.

Homme is a Grade II\* listed country house nestled away from public view within its own 190 acre estate in the picturesque Herefordshire countryside. The House is approached along a tree-lined private drive which leads through historic parkland, past lakes & woodlands, and sits in five acres of formal gardens with uninterrupted rural views out to the Malvern Hills and Cotswolds beyond.

With a family tree stretching back to the 16th century, Homme House is steeped in history, and retains the timeless elegance of original architectural features, antiques and ornaments collected over generations.

Homme House was lovingly restored by the present generation and opened as a wedding venue in 2004, and continues to be filled with love and life through the celebrations of the many friends and families who have been welcomed into our home over the years.





# A wedding uniquely yours

At Homme we hold a limited number of functions and offer the house on an exclusive use basis only, allowing you to enjoy a relaxed few days together, with accommodation available on the Homme House Estate for up to 32 guests.

Homme House is licensed for both indoor and garden civil ceremonies, with a choice of three rooms inside the house and our unique Summerhouse in the walled garden providing a wealth of options perfect for weddings of all sizes, from intimate elopements to marquee celebrations.

For church weddings St. Bartholomew's lies on the edge of the Estate and the Parish of Yatton & All Saints Church is under 3 miles away. Both are available to couples not resident in the parish.

We strongly believe that you should have complete freedom to plan the day of your dreams. We do not prescribe preferred catering partners or set menus, allowing you the flexibility to define the style of the day, whether an informal hog roast, fete and afternoon tea on the lawn or formal wedding breakfast. Nor do we charge corkage, giving you the freedom to select exactly the drinks you would like without any surcharge.

Family-owned, Homme remains exclusively family run. We enjoy getting to know every couple who chooses to hold their wedding at Homme, guiding them through the planning process and supporting them on the wedding day itself.





# Indoor Ceremony

Homme House is licensed for civil ceremonies in a choice of 3 spaces within the main house:

Max

## THE PANELLED ROOM

80

A room full of Georgian character with wood panelled walls, polished oak floor and Jacobean fireplace. The space is flooded with light from a golden tiered chandelier and the three full length sash windows overlooking the grounds.

## THE DINING ROOM

110

A beautiful room decorated with chinese antique furniture, antique gilt mirror and chandelier, with a full length sash bay window overlooking the gardens.

## THE HALL

25

An intimate space ideal for smaller ceremonies with the backdrop of the impressive flying staircase.

Civil ceremonies should be booked through the Herefordshire County Council Register Office. The team will be happy to assist with any enquiries:

01432 383 261

[ceremonies@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:ceremonies@herefordshire.gov.uk)

Registration Service, Herefordshire Register Office, Town Hall,  
St Owen Street, Hereford HR1 2PJ



# Garden Ceremony

Set in the beautiful surroundings of our Walled Garden, Homme offers the romantic backdrop of our 17th century Grade I listed Summerhouse for a garden ceremony in warmer months. The two options are as follows:

Max

## THE SUMMERHOUSE - OUTSIDE

110

The ceremony entrance is through a wisteria covered pergola, and the ceremony seating nestles between flower beds and wild flower meadow. The Upper Chamber of the Summerhouse, with its vaulted ceiling and views over the Malvern Hills, is a beautiful and intimate option for the signing of the marriage schedule.

## THE SUMMERHOUSE - INSIDE

12

Ceremonies of up to 12 guests can take place in the intimate space of the Upper Chamber of the Summerhouse itself, with the wood burning stove adding a cosy and romantic warmth to the room in colder months.

The long borders, cherry walkway or espaliered apples provide lovely settings for confetti after the ceremony. The ceremony can be moved to take place inside in poor weather, with you only needing to make the decision on the morning of your wedding.

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# Church Wedding

There are two beautiful options for church services close to Homme, as follows:

Max

## ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, MUCH MARCLE

120

St. Bartholomew's is situated at the end of the parkland drive just 1000m from Homme, a lovely walk or short drive from the house.

The peaceful 13th century church has recently been sympathetically modernised with wheelchair access, improved heating, catering and bathroom facilities.

The beautiful churchyard contains a famous 1,000 year old yew tree with a circumference of over 30 feet, which can seat up to 10 people inside its hollowed trunk.

## THE PARISH OF YATTON & ALL SAINTS CHURCH

120

A beautiful country church, built in 1841, with its original candelabra allowing the service to be illuminated only by candlelight. The church is perched on a hill under 2 miles from Homme House with stunning views over the surrounding countryside.

The Ledbury Group Ministry is in charge of both churches. They are very welcoming to couples resident outside the parish, with attendance at one service a month for six months in the build up to your wedding enabling you to get married at the church of your choice.

Wedding services should be booked through the Ledbury Group Ministry, which would be happy to help with any enquiries:

01531 631 531  
valtait@live.co.uk



# The Reception

Homme House is surrounded by 5 acres of beautiful gardens, full of interest throughout the seasons, whether it be banks of snowdrops and daffodils early in the year, the wildflower meadows, wisteria & lavender of midsummer or the autumn colours of the acer glade and parkland trees.

With a woodland backdrop and unspoilt rural views, the Main Lawn is an ideal area for reception drinks, croquet and other garden games, as well as a marquee for a larger wedding.

Below the lawn, guests can wander Cherry Walk to discover the secluded water feature and Bog Garden. The Upper Lawn leads up to the traditional Rose Garden, a quiet and intimate space, with a beech arch leading through to the 2 acre Walled Garden.

Benches are provided throughout the gardens for guests to relax and enjoy the surroundings, with three patio areas for larger groups.

In poor weather, guests can mingle inside the main house reception rooms. The Panelled Room and Library both have open fires and are connected by the spacious Hall.

	Max
HOUSE WEDDING BREAKFAST	80
MARQUEE WEDDING BREAKFAST	110 (Civil) 120 (Church)



# Food & Drink

## FOOD

At Homme we give you complete freedom to choose the perfect caterer for your day. We will provide you with any recommendations and support you might need based on our years of experience working with a range of excellent catering partners, though you are very welcome to choose your own caterer should you wish.

We also allow complete freedom and flexibility when it comes to the evening catering, allowing you to choose anything from a mobile pizza oven to arranging your own evening nibbles.

## DRINK

At Homme we do not impose an in house drinks list or charge a corkage fee, giving you the freedom to select exactly the drinks you would like on your wedding day without any costly surcharge. We will take delivery of the drinks you have chosen and chill them for enjoyment on the day at no extra cost.

We also offer the option of a pay bar through a designated supplier, for which Herefordshire pub prices are charged.



# The Evening

Homme House can host up to 120 guests for evening celebrations. Dancing takes place inside the house, with the Library offering a quiet, cosy space in which to relax by the fire in colder months. Situated in the Hall, the bar area neatly links all the reception rooms, with the Dining Room available for evening food.

There are endless options for evening entertainment, from a casino in the Library to fire bowls and sparklers outside the house.

Our premises licence allows for bar service until 23.30, evening music until 23.45 and for all non-resident guests to depart at 00.00. A list of local taxi companies is provided, and non-resident guests are welcome to leave their cars in our car park for collection the following day.



# Staying at Homme

We offer guest rooms in 3 spaces at Homme, allowing you to accommodate up to 32 in 14 bedrooms for your wedding.

All of the available accommodation is reserved for you, with no obligation to use any or all of the guest rooms, so you can decide exactly who you would like to have staying with you for your wedding.

Guests staying only on the wedding night are encouraged to check in as early as they would like to on the day, to settle in with plenty of time to prepare for the proceedings.

A continental breakfast is served in the guest kitchens on the morning of the wedding. On the morning following the wedding, either a continental or a hearty Herefordshire cooked breakfast is served in the main Dining Room so that you can have everyone together for breakfast.

We encourage our overnight guests to make themselves at home in the house and to explore the surrounding gardens during their stay.



# Staying at Homme



## MAIN SUITE

Sleeps 2

Our Main Suite is at the top of the flying staircase in its own private wing of the house.

With bay windows overlooking the gardens and parkland beyond, the light-filled bedroom with four poster bed, en suite bathroom, and adjacent Drawing Room provide plenty of space for pre-wedding preparations, and sumptuous accommodation on the wedding night.

Priced the same as other guest bedrooms, the Main Suite is available for preparations on the morning of the wedding whether or not you choose to stay with us on the previous night.



## MAIN HOUSE

Sleeps 16-18 (excl. Main Suite)

There are a further 8 guest bedrooms in the main house along with a guest kitchen, providing comfortable and convenient accommodation for a further 16-18 family & friends, both before and on the night of the wedding itself.



## COACH HOUSE

Sleeps 8-10

A short walk from the main house, our 18th century Coach House provides cosy, characterful accommodation in 4 double/twin en suite bedrooms, with an additional sofa bed allowing the house to sleep up to 10 in total.

As well as providing additional accommodation, the Coach House is perfect for couples who would both like to stay and get ready at Homme before their wedding, without the risk of coming face-to-face before 'I do' (it also makes it easier for your photographer to capture preparations on both sides).

With its ground floor reception rooms and private courtyard garden, it is also a perfect space in which to host an intimate gathering on the evening before the wedding.



## SUMMERHOUSE

Sleeps 2





Our 17th century gothic Summerhouse at the top of the walled garden is available as a romantic and simple overnight stay from May to September.

The Summerhouse has a cosy ground floor bedroom with four poster bed, and an upper chamber with wood burning stove and breathtaking 360 degree views. A private bathroom with a marble walk in shower is metres away through a gate in the walled garden wall.

Breakfast can be delivered to the Summerhouse to order, or guests can walk down through the garden to join breakfast in the Main House Dining Room.



# Weekend Wedding Overview

FRIDAY	Exclusive use from 09:30 for preparations the day before the wedding (Coach House check in from 15:00)		
CEREMONY 4 spaces licensed	<div>CHURCH SERVICE</div> <div><div> St. Bartholomew's: 0.6 miles 120</div><div> Yatton &amp; All Saints: 3.75 miles 120</div></div>		<div>CIVIL CEREMONY</div> <div><div>INDOOR</div><div>Summerhouse: 12 Hall: 25 Panelled Room: 80 Dining Room: 110</div></div> <div><div>OUTDOOR</div><div>Summerhouse: 110 Main Lawn: 110</div></div>
RECEPTION & WEDDING BREAKFAST No corkage Flexible catering	<div>MAIN DINING ROOM</div> <div><div>OVAL TOP TABLE 80</div><div></div><div>CURVED TOP TABLE 70</div></div> <div>OR</div>		<div>MARQUEE (Apr - Oct)</div> <div></div> <div>110 (Civil) 120 (Church)</div>
EVENING RECEPTION Free or Cash Bar  Bar: closes 23:30 Music: ends by 23:45 Guests depart: by 00:15	<div><div>Bar: Dance Floor: Evening Food:</div><div>Hall Panelled Room Dining Room</div><div>120</div></div> <div>OR</div> <div><div>Bar: Dance Floor: Evening Food:</div><div>Panelled Room Dining Room Marquee</div><div>120</div></div>		
GUEST ROOMS	Accommodation for up to 32 guests		
	<div>MAIN HOUSE</div> <div>9 bedrooms 2 x separate single beds</div> <div>Sleeps 18-20</div>	<div>COACH HOUSE</div> <div>4 bedrooms 1 x double sofa bed</div> <div>Sleeps 8-10</div>	<div>SUMMERHOUSE</div> <div>(May - Sep) 1 bedroom</div> <div>Sleeps 2</div>
LOCAL ACCOMMODATION	Local B&Bs, guesthouses & hotels in Much Marcle (1 mile), Ledbury (6 miles) & Ross-on-Wye (7 miles) Guests welcome to leave cars overnight		
SUNDAY	Breakfast at the time of your choosing (continental/cooked) together in the main Dining Room, with check out at 12:30		



# Midweek Wedding: Daytime Hire (8am-6pm)

THE DAY BEFORE

Exclusive use from 15:00 for preparations the day before the wedding (Coach House check in from 15:00)  
Wedding day hire: **Daytime (08:00-18:00)**

CEREMONY  
4 spaces licensed

CHURCH SERVICE



St. Bartholomew's:  
0.6 miles  
**80**



Yatton & All Saints:  
3.75 miles  
**80**

CIVIL CEREMONY

INDOOR

Summerhouse: **12**  
Hall: **25**  
Panelled Room: **80**  
Dining Room: **80**

OUTDOOR

Summerhouse: **80**  
Main Lawn: **80**

RECEPTION &  
WEDDING BREAKFAST  
No corkage  
Flexible catering

MAIN DINING ROOM

OVAL  
TOP TABLE  
**80**



CURVED  
TOP TABLE  
**70**

EVENING RECEPTION  
Free or Cash Bar

Bar: closes 23:30  
Music: ends by 23:45  
Guests depart: by 00:15

Bar:  
Dance Floor:  
Evening Food:

Hall  
Panelled Room  
Dining Room

**80**

GUEST ROOMS

Accommodation for up to **14** guests

MAIN HOUSE

Main Suite  
  
Sleeps **2**

COACH HOUSE

4 bedrooms  
1 x double sofa bed  
  
Sleeps **8-10**

SUMMERHOUSE

(May - Sep)  
1 bedroom  
  
Sleeps **2**

LOCAL ACCOMMODATION

Local B&Bs, guesthouses & hotels in Much Marcle (1 mile), Ledbury (6 miles) & Ross-on-Wye (7 miles)  
Guests welcome to leave cars overnight

THE DAY AFTER

Breakfast at the time of your choosing (continental/cooked) together in the main Dining Room, with check out at 12:30



# Midweek Wedding: Daytime+Evening Hire (8am-12am)

THE DAY BEFORE

Exclusive use from 15:00 for preparations the day before the wedding (Coach House check in from 15:00)  
Wedding day hire: **Daytime+Evening (08:00-00:00)**

CEREMONY  
4 spaces licensed

CHURCH SERVICE



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0.6 miles  
**80**



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CIVIL CEREMONY

INDOOR

Summerhouse: **12**  
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Dining Room: **80**

OUTDOOR

Summerhouse: **80**  
Main Lawn: **80**

RECEPTION &  
WEDDING BREAKFAST  
No corkage  
Flexible catering

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Dining Room

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GUEST ROOMS

Accommodation for up to **32** guests

MAIN HOUSE

9 bedrooms  
2 x separate single beds  
  
Sleeps **18-20**

COACH HOUSE

4 bedrooms  
1 x double sofa bed  
  
Sleeps **8-10**

SUMMERHOUSE

(May - Sep)  
1 bedroom  
  
Sleeps **2**

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Guests welcome to leave cars overnight

THE DAY AFTER

Breakfast at the time of your choosing (continental/cooked) together in the main Dining Room, with check out at 12:30



# Summary of Charges

(All prices include VAT where applicable)

## WEDDING VENUE

	2024	2025
<b>MIDWEEK HIRE</b> <i>Tue or Wed</i>		
<b>Daytime</b> (08:00-18:00):	<b>£1,900</b>	<b>£1,980</b>
<b>Daytime+Evening</b> (08:00-00:00):	<b>£4,720</b>	<b>£4,950</b>
<b>WEEKEND HIRE</b> <i>09:30 Fri - 12:30 Sun</i>	<b>£6,290</b>	<b>£6,600</b>

**WHAT THE VENUE FEE INCLUDES:**

- access to set up the day before your wedding (from 9:30am Fri for weekend weddings, from 3pm the day before for midweek weddings)
- exclusive hire of the 4 reception spaces (Hall, Panelled Room, Dining Room and Library) and the surrounding gardens across the period of your wedding
- wedding preparation resources with planning tips and recommended suppliers
- all the support and advice you need from the team at Homme to plan your wedding

**WHAT THE VENUE FEE DOES NOT INCLUDE:**

- any fees for church or registrar
- accommodation (priced on a per person per night basis with no obligation to use it)
- hire of furniture for ceremony and/or wedding breakfast
- marquee/canopy hire, dance floor (if required)
- wedding breakfast catering, linen, glassware or tableware
- optional extras available for hire (fire bowls, hay bale seating etc.)

**WEEKEND WEDDINGS: NOTES**

- To secure your preferred date, booking should be confirmed in writing and accompanied by the completed and signed Booking Form and Booking Terms and a Booking Fee comprising 25% of the venue hire
- The remainder of the venue hire is payable in 25% deposits 12 months, 6 months and 2 months prior to the wedding
- Payment for any accommodation, furniture hire & equipment is due 3 weeks prior to the wedding

**MIDWEEK WEDDINGS: NOTES**

- To secure your preferred date, booking should be confirmed in writing and accompanied by the completed and signed Booking Form and Booking Terms and a Booking Fee of £1,000
- The remainder of the venue hire is payable 3 weeks prior to the wedding
- Payment for any accommodation, furniture hire & equipment is due 3 weeks prior to the wedding
- Midweek wedding hire is for a wedding on a Tuesday or Wednesday and excludes the period from 18 - 31 December

**NOTES**

- Please note that Herefordshire Council Planning Conditions allow reception music outside as long as it is fully unamplified (no power), require all music played in the evening to be within the house, and wedding functions to finish at midnight
- Herefordshire Council Licensing Authority requires all guests to leave the premises by 00:15, so all taxis or coaches must be organised for midnight



# Additional Charges

(All prices include VAT where applicable)

## ACCOMMODATION

### MAIN HOUSE

Exclusive use per person per night with continental breakfast	£75
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### COACH HOUSE

Exclusive use per person per night with continental breakfast (non-wedding night(s))	£75
House let (wedding night) <i>Note: a supplementary per person charge of £75 is made for sofa beds</i>	£600

### SUMMERHOUSE

Exclusive use per person per night with continental breakfast	£55
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### BREAKFAST

Full English breakfast per person (available for all overnight guests on the morning after the wedding)	£12
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## FURNITURE HIRE

Hire of chairs for indoor ceremony and/or dining (to include tables, chairs, delivery & setting out)

Chivari chairs	£2.75
High chairs	£6
Outside wooden folding ceremony chairs	£2.75
Outside ceremony benches (seat 5)	£6.60

## OPTIONAL EXTRAS

White or ivory pleated cloth for traditional curved top table	£42
Bar Hire set up for Free Bar	£75
Kadai firebowl including wood - per firebowl (2 available)	£60
Hay bale seating - per bale	£5





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EXAMPLE

# Weekend Wedding

A weekend wedding for **75 guests** in **2024** with civil ceremony in the Panelled Room, reception, wedding breakfast in the Dining Room and evening celebrations until 12am.

Overnight accommodation on the Friday and Saturday nights for **26 guests**, with **cooked breakfast** for all on the morning after the wedding.

Hire period from 9:30am Friday until 12:30pm Sunday.

VENUE CHARGES

Venue Fee	£6,290
Indoor ceremony & dining furniture hire for 75 guests	£206.25
TOTAL	£6,496.25

ACCOMMODATION CHARGES

Overnight Accommodation (26 guests, 2 nights)	£3,900
Cooked Breakfast (26 guests)	£312
TOTAL	£4,212

GRAND TOTAL	£10,708.25
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EXAMPLE

# Midweek: Daytime

A midweek wedding for **45 guests** on a Tuesday or Wednesday in **2025** with civil ceremony in the Walled Garden, reception on the Lawn and wedding breakfast in the Dining Room.

Hire period from 3pm the day before, with the wedding celebration until 6pm on the wedding day. Accommodation for **10 guests** in the Main Suite and Coach House the night before and wedding night.

VENUE CHARGES

Venue Fee	£1,800
Outdoor ceremony furniture hire for 45 guests	£119.25
Indoor dining furniture hire for 45 guests	£123.75

TOTAL	£2,043
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ACCOMMODATION CHARGES

Overnight Accommodation (10 guests, 2 nights)	£1,500
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GRAND TOTAL	£3,543
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EXAMPLE

# Midweek: Daytime + Evening

A midweek wedding for **65 guests** on a Tuesday or Wednesday in **2025** with civil ceremony in the Walled Garden, reception on the Lawn and wedding breakfast in the Dining Room, with evening celebrations until 12am.

Hire period from 3pm the day before. Accommodation for **18 guests** in the Main House and Coach House the night before and wedding night.

VENUE CHARGES

Venue Fee	£4,400
Outdoor ceremony furniture hire for 65 guests	£172.25
Indoor dining furniture hire for 65 guests	£178.75
TOTAL	£4,751

ACCOMMODATION CHARGES

Overnight Accommodation (18 guests, 2 nights)	£2,700
GRAND TOTAL	£7,451



# Visiting Us

If you would like to know more about weddings at Homme or would like to visit us, do get in touch - we would be delighted to meet you and show you Homme. We like to allow around 2 hours for a private viewing, a cup of tea and a chat.

01531 660 864  
07764 346 725  
weddings@hommehouse.co.uk  
www.hommehouse.co.uk

HOMME HOUSE  
Much Marcle  
Ledbury  
Herefordshire

Google Maps: use '**Homme House**'  
Other mapping/satnav: use '**St. Bartholomew's Church, Much Marcle**'  
What3Words: use '**candle.precluded.unravel**'

On entering the Estate beside the church follow the parkland drive for 1000m before a left turn up to the car park and house.



# Detailed Directions

Google Maps: use ‘**Homme House**’  
Satnav/other mapping: use ‘**St. Bartholomew’s Church, Much Marcle**’ for Estate Entrance  
What3Words: **candle.precluded.unravel** for Estate Entrance

## FROM M50 / LEDBURY:

1. Take the A449 towards Ross -on-Wye.
2. At the Walwyn Arms pub in the centre of Much Marcle, turn left onto the B4024 signposted Dymock.
3. Follow the B4024 for 400m, passing the village school (on the right) and the Memorial Hall (on the left).
4. 200m further on turn right, following the signpost to St. Bartholomew’s Church.
5. Enter the Homme House Estate through the stone gateway adjacent to the churchyard, following the parkland drive for 1000m across two cattle grids and past lakes.
6. At the t-junction turn left and follow the drive up to the car park and house.

## FROM M50 / ROSS-ON-WYE:

1. Take the A449 towards Ledbury.
2. At the Walwyn Arms pub in the centre of Much Marcle, turn right onto the B4024 signposted Dymock.
3. Follow the B4024 for 400m, passing the village school (on the right) and the Memorial Hall (on the left).
4. 200m further on turn right, following the signpost to St. Bartholomew’s Church.
5. Enter the Homme House Estate through the stone gateway adjacent to the churchyard, following the parkland drive for 1000m across two cattle grids and past lakes.
6. At the t-junction turn left and follow the drive up to the car park and house.

## FROM GLOUCESTER / DYMOCK:

1. From Dymock, take the B4215 towards Preston Cross.
2. 1 mile outside Dymock turn left onto the B4024 signposted Much Marcle.
3. Follow the B4024 for 2 miles to reach Much Marcle village.
4. After a sharp righthand bend look out for a left turn signposted St. Bartholomew’s Church. Turn left here.
5. Enter the Homme House Estate through the stone gateway adjacent to the churchyard, following the parkland drive for 1000m across two cattle grids and past lakes.
6. At the t-junction turn left and follow the drive up to the car park and house.



# Our Home: A Shared Endeavour

Homme House has undoubtedly faced many ups and downs over six centuries since it was bought by Thomas Kyrle in 1574, a period of custodianship with continuous family links through to the present day.

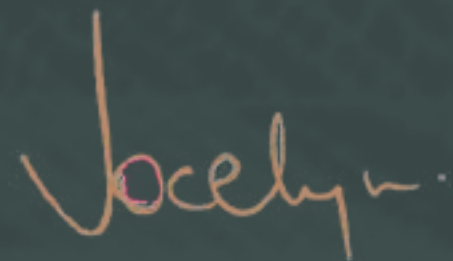
As it was for many country houses, the twentieth century was a period of steep decline for Homme, with the impact of dwindling resources and two World Wars reflected in the struggle to manage the Estate, and the deteriorating state of the house and grounds. By the end of the 1990s the house, Summerhouse and gardens were in a perilous state of dilapidation.

Each generation's guardianship of the place they call home is shaped by challenges unique to the era, and as the baton passed to the next generation the questions were stark - how to save a house near dereliction, and how to ensure the sustainability of a place like Homme into the future.

The answer has been a family home shared for a limited number of special family celebrations each year, and Homme opened for its first weddings in 2004, not as a profit maximising enterprise, but as a shared endeavour to continue the ongoing restoration and conservation of the Estate, to which all proceeds from weddings are directed.

Homme remains first and foremost our family home, something which defines the unique character of the place. We are not a hotel, and have never considered ourselves a 'venue', rather a *home* - one made, and shared, with love.

We are enormously grateful to those who choose to spend time with us here, supporting us in the ongoing project of restoring and conserving this beautiful corner of England, and we hope everyone who visits shares in and enjoys the warmth of this much loved family home.

A handwritten signature in a cursive script, reading "Jocelyn".

Jocelyn, John, Charlie & Sarah



