

## *Slater's Country Inn*

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Nestled in the heart of the Staffordshire countryside and yet only 10 minutes drive from the Potteries and major motorway connections, Slater's provides an ideal location for your wedding venue.

We have many years experience of wedding celebrations and are also fully licensed to perform Civil Marriages and Civil Partnerships.

Our various facilities can offer a range of choice that is second to none with a standard of catering to match.

In the summer months the setting could not be better. Surrounded by open fields the adjacent garden offers an ideal photo opportunity whilst in the wintertime the open fireplace in the Briar Suite gives a warm traditional touch.

The following information is designed to give you an overview of our facilities although we strongly encourage you to arrange an appointment with our wedding coordinator, Julie Bray, when you can view the various suites and your personal requirements can be discussed in detail.

Whatever your requirements, Slater's will strive to make your Wedding Day the most memorable and enjoyable occasion you would wish it to be.



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### **CIVIL WEDDING CEREMONIES AND PARTNERSHIPS**

Slater's are licensed to hold Civil Ceremonies and Civil Partnerships and have a choice of Suites catering for up to 90 guests (140 evening guests).

A hire charge is made for the room in which the ceremony takes place (regardless of numbers) and includes provision of a Fresh Flower arrangement for the Top Table.

Wedding Ceremonies can take place on any day of the week between 8.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. providing that all ceremonies are completed by 6.00 p.m.

Once availability has been confirmed with ourselves you will then need to contact Newcastle Registry Office to confirm that they are able to perform the Ceremony on your chosen date (a minimum of 16 days notice is required). All charges should be arranged directly between yourselves and the Registry Office.

The contact is Judy Tomkinson (Superintendent) on 01782 297581 or Fax on 01782 297582 and the charges from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009 are:

Monday to Saturday - £253.50  
Sunday's and Bank Holidays - £303.50  
(plus notice fees of £30 per person)

The above charges include the attendance of two registrars to carry out the ceremony and a copy of the Marriage Certificate and should be confirmed with the Registry Office at the time of booking.

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### **CIVIL WEDDING CEREMONIES** (CONTINUED)

#### **THE WEDDING CEREMONY SUITES**

##### **The Briar Landing**

An ideal venue for more intimate weekday Wedding Ceremonies for up to 20 people. This room has wonderful views overlooking the surrounding gardens and open fields. There is also an external staircase leading directly into the gardens.

**Hire Charge for Wedding Ceremony £150.00**

##### **The Briar Suite**

Accessed from the main entrance either directly or (weather permitting) from the private gardens this forms the largest of our suites and accommodates up to 90 seated guests.

**Hire Charge for the Wedding Ceremony £250.00**

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### THE WEDDING RECEPTION SUITES

#### The Briar Landing

Seating up to 20 guests at one table, this room provides the perfect venue for an intimate family Wedding Breakfast on a weekday or evening. As well as enjoying open views of the surrounding countryside it also has an external staircase leading directly to the private gardens, thereby providing a delightful setting at any time of year.

~ cosy on dark winter evenings

~ relaxing in the gardens on warm summer days

#### The Briar Suite

Tastefully converted from 18<sup>th</sup> Century Farm Buildings, the Briar Suite exudes Olde Worlde charm with its grand beamed ceilings and open fireplace.

French doors lead to the private gardens where, weather permitting your guests can enjoy drinks on the lawn.

The Briar Suite will seat up to 90 guests for the wedding breakfast and up to 140 guests for an evening buffet (not all seated).

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### **THE WEDDING BREAKFAST**

The Wedding Breakfast will be a 3 course meal followed by Coffee and Chocolate Mints and the price of the whole meal will be determined by your choice of main course. From the Menu Selector you should choose one starter, one main course and one dessert for **all** your guests with the exception of vegetarians or any special dietary requirements which will, of course be accommodated in accordance with your requirements. Additional courses such as a fish course or sorbet can be added at an extra charge (see optional extras).

Children under 10years of age and over 2 years of age will be served ½ portions of your chosen menu and will be charged at half the adult price. Children under 2 years of age will not be catered for unless we are specifically requested to do so.

All meal prices are based on minimum numbers and these should be agreed at the time of booking.

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### **STARTERS** (choose 1)

Chilled melon with seasonal berries, fruit coulis and mint syrup (g) (d) (v)

Greek Salad

Olives, cucumber, tomatoes, feta cheese and lettuce with vinaigrette and balsamic

Smoked Salmon, prawns and peppered mackerel with lemon and dill dressing

Salad of plum tomatoes, mozzarella and red onion marmalade with reduced balsamic

Mushroom pate with toasted ciabatta and dressed salad

Terrine of ham hock with pickled vegetables and mustard dressing

Soup  
served with roll and butter

~ *Cream of Vegetable*

~ *Clear vegetable and pearl barley broth*

~ *Leek and potato*

~ *Tomato and basil*

~ *Carrot and orange*

~ *Sweet potato, butternut squash and rosemary*

~ *Minestrone*

~ *Cauliflower*

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### **MAIN COURSE**

(choose 1)

**£27 PER PERSON**

Roast sirloin of Beef with Yorkshire pudding

Roast leg of Lamb with redcurrant and rosemary jus

Roast loin of Pork with apricot and herb seasoning

Roast Turkey with seasoning and crispy bacon

Breast of Chicken with mushroom and tarragon cream sauce or

Bacon, red wine and mushroom sauce

**£32 PER PERSON**

Braised sirloin of beef with bacon, wild mushrooms and sticky shallots

**£35 PER PERSON**

Breast of Barbary Duck with caramelised vegetables and an apple and cranberry compote

Roast saddle of Lamb stuffed with sausage meat and chorizo

**£40 PER PERSON**

Fillet of Beef Wellington with Madeira sauce

*all prices include, choice of starter, dessert, coffee and mints*

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### MAIN COURSES (CONTINUED)

#### VEGETARIAN £27 PER PERSON

Wild Mushroom Risotto

Open roast vegetable tart with salsa and herb oil

Open tart of courgettes, tomatoes and black olives with rocket and a soft poached egg

Spinach and ricotta tortellini with garlic ciabatta

#### FISH

**(ALSO AVAILABLE AS AN ADDITIONAL FISH COURSE – SEE OPTIONAL EXTRAS)**

#### £27.00 PER PERSON

Sea bream with sauté greens, coriander butter and Chinese style vinaigrette

Fillet of sea bass with fondant potato, seafood vinaigrette and a red pepper coulis

Supreme of salmon with vegetable and butterbean stew finished with watercress oil

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### DESSERTS (choose 1)

Dark chocolate mousse in a chocolate cup with orange syrup and chocolate sauce

Shortbread hearts with strawberries and cream

Caramelised lemon tart with sweetened mascarpone and coulis

Classic crème brulee with viennese finger choose from:

*Mandarin and Cinnamon*

*or*

*Summer fruits*

*or*

*Caramelised pineapple*

Profiteroles with chocolate sauce

Baileys cheesecake with chocolate glaze

Red cherry cheesecake with Anglaise and coulis

Dark chocolate and orange torte

*If you wish to add any of the above desserts to the £13.50 or £18.00 buffet  
the cost to be added is £4.00 per person*

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### **OPTIONAL EXTRAS**

**Canapes** ~ often served on arrival  
£0.75 each (allow 3 per person)

*Melon wrapped in parma ham*

*Thai style chicken with peanut dipping sauce*

*Ballotine of ham hock with pickled pineapple*

*Chicken liver parfait with red onion marmalade*

*Roast vegetable bruschetta with herb oil*

**Petit Fours** (with coffee)  
£1.50 per person

**Sorbet Course £2.65**  
*(Strawberry and pink champagne, raspberry, blackcurrant, lemon)*

### **Fish Course** **£7.95 PER PERSON**

Fillet of Bream with coriander butter, wilted greens and Chinese style vinaigrette

Fillet of Sea Bass with roast vegetables, seafood vinaigrette and red pepper coulis

Supreme of Salmon with a vegetable and butterbean stew finished with herb oil

**Cheeseboard**  
£30 per table of 8  
£35 per table of 10

### **BUFFET DESSERTS** **(£13.95 and £18.50 buffets)**

Selection of miniature desserts (£1.50 per person)

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### FINGER BUFFET

**£13.50**

Selection of open and closed sandwiches  
On white, brown and continental breads

Ham, cheddar, fresh salmon with dill and lemon, beef with coarse grain mustard,  
chicken with lime and coriander, roast vegetable with tomato salsa

Selection of pizza:

*Cheese and tomato with basil pesto*

*Chorizo and Pastrami*

Penne pasta salad with tomato dressing, garnished with:

*Mixed seafood*

*Vegetables with herb oil*

Indian Savouries with mint yoghurt

Miniature cherry tomato and mozzarella skewers  
With rocket and balsamic

Thai style chicken brochettes with satay style dipping sauce

Marinated olives

Assorted kettle chips

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### **CARVED INFORMAL BUFFET**

**£13.95**

Carved hot pork

Carved hot beef

Red wine gravy

Mediterranean style roast vegetables with tomato sauce

Soft bread rolls

Roast potatoes

Apple sauce

Horseradish sauce

Stuffing

Green salad

Coleslaw

Pasta salad

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### **HOT AND COLD BUFFET**

**£18.00**

#### **Hot Selection**

Spiced lamb kofta with mint yoghurt and cucumber

Thai style chicken brochettes with satay style dipping sauce

Indian savouries: vegetable and lamb samosas, onion bhaji's and pakora with mango chutney

Chinese dim sums

Butterfly shrimp, crispy seafood parcel, shrimp roll and seafood samosa with sweet chilli sauce

Selection of pizzas:

*Cheese and tomato with basil pesto*

*Chorizo and Pastrami*

#### **Cold Selection**

Selection of open and closed sandwiches

On white, brown and continental breads

*Ham, cheddar, fresh salmon with dill and lemon, beef with coarse grain mustard,  
chicken with lime and coriander, roast vegetable with tomato salsa*

Miniature cherry tomato and mozzarella skewers with rocket and balsamic

Penne pasta salad with tomato dressing, garnished with:

*Mixed seafood*

*Vegetables with herb oil*

Marinated olives

Assorted kettle chips

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### **FORK BUFFET £26.50**

Fresh Melon with Seasonal Berries

**or**

Homemade Soup of your choice  
(choose 1 option)

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Carved hot pork

Carved hot beef

Red wine gravy

Mediterranean style roast vegetables with tomato sauce

Soft bread rolls

Roast potatoes

Apple sauce

Horseradish sauce

Stuffing

Green salad

Coleslaw

Pasta Salad

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Choice of 2 Desserts from the Banqueting Menu

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Coffee and Mint Chocolates

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### **LUXURY CARVED BUFFET**

**£39.50**

Crown of Melon  
filled with seasonal Berries and topped with Sorbet

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Decorated Wild Salmon

Whole Turkey

Sirloin of Beef

Yorkshire Ham

Gala Pie

Cascade of Mediterranean Prawns

Spinach, Pasta and Pesto Tart (v)

Waldorf Salad

Tossed Green Salad

Coleslaw

Potato Salad

Hot New Minted Potatoes

Variety of Dips and Dressings

Rolls and Butter

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A choice of 2 desserts from the banqueting menu

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Coffee and Mints

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### CELEBRATION DRINKS

ON ARRIVAL / CELEBRATION	WITH THE MEAL	TOAST
All prices listed by the glass		All prices listed by the glass
Pimms & Lemonade £3.50	CYT Chardonnay Blend (Chile) £14.25/bottle £3.60/glass	Champagne House £5.75
Bucks Fizz £3.50	Fayolle Bergerac (France) Semillon/Sauvignon Blanc £14.25/bottle £3.60/glass	Champagne House Rose £5.95
Brides Bowl (a sparkling, fruity cocktail made to Slater's secret recipe!) £3.50	CYT Cabernet Sauvignon (Chile) £14.25/bottle £3.60/glass	Sparkling Wine House £3.50
Bellini (made with sparkling wine and peach juice) £4.25	Sutter Home Zinfandel (California) £14.95/bottle £3.75/glass	Sparkling Rose Wine House £3.70
Orange juice £1.50	Canaletto Pinot Grigio (Italy) £15.25/bottle	Orange juice £1.50
	Dalwood Shiraz Cabernet (Australia) £15.25/bottle	<b>FINE CHAMPAGNES</b> (allow 6 glasses per bottle) All prices listed/purchased by the bottle
	Patriarche Pinot Noir Rose (France) £16.95/bottle	Veuve Clicquot Brut Yellow Label £45
	Mineral Water £3.00/bottle	Veuve Clicquot Rose £50.00
		Cuvee Dom Perignon 1998 £100
		Louis Roederer Cristal Brut 1999 £200

Drinks should be provided in each of the above sections for both adults and children  
**ie. the drinks package should provide for a minimum of 3 drinks in total for each guest.**  
 When selecting bottles of wine for the table allow 4 glasses per bottle.

The above suggestions are by no means exhaustive and your specific requirements can be discussed in greater detail. We have a comprehensive wine list which can be provided on request.

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### THE WEDDING PACKAGE

Slater's Wedding Package will include the following:

- ~ White table linen and napkins
- ~ Cutlery, Crockery and Glassware
- ~ Provision of cake stand (round or square) and cake knife
- ~ Preparation of menus

and where guests for the Wedding Breakfast **and** evening reception exceed 60 it will also include:

- ~ room hire (for the wedding breakfast and evening reception)  
(*please note* ~ room hire for a civil ceremony is applicable irrespective of the number of guests attending)
- ~ complimentary en-suite bedroom (including breakfast) for the Bride and Groom

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### **ACCOMMODATION**

#### **MAIN HOTEL BUILDING**

~	Superior Twin Bedded Room en-suite ~ single occupancy	49.95
~	Superior Twin Bedded Room en-suite ~ double occupancy	69.95
~	Superior Double Bedded Room en-suite ~ single occupancy	65.00
~	Superior Double Bedded Room en-suite – double occupancy	85.00

#### **COURTYARD**

~	Family room ~ single or double occupancy	80.00
~	Family room ~ three or four people	120.00
~	Family room ~ five people	130.00

All prices are inclusive of breakfast

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### **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

(not necessarily in order of frequency!)

**Q WHAT TIME IS THE BAR OPEN?**

**A** The bar is open from the arrival of your guests until midnight. However, if you have your civil ceremony in the Briar Suite then by law the bar cannot open until 1 hour after the ceremony. The public bar however remains open all day.

**Q CAN WE BRING OUR OWN WINE?**

**A** We regret that all drinks must be purchased through Slater's. We do offer a very comprehensive wine list and if you should have a preference for anything not listed then we will do our best to provide this for you. Please ask.

Please note that any guests bringing their own alcohol onto the premises for consumption will be asked to leave the venue.

**Q ARE THERE ANY ADDITIONAL ROOM HIRE CHARGES**

**A** All menu's quoted in the Wedding Pack are based on a minimum of 60 guests for both the wedding breakfast and evening reception in which case there will be no additional room hire charge. Numbers falling below this will incur room hire charges on the following scale:

	DAY (£'s)	EVENING (£'s)
Less than 60 but more than 50	50	50
Less than 50 but more than 40	100	100
Less than 40 but more than 30	150	150

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### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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**Q CAN WE HAVE A DISCO?**

**A** Yes, Slater's can book a disco on your behalf. The current cost of this is £200. If you wish to book your own DJ then we will need to see a copy of their Public Liability insurance at least 2 weeks prior to the date. This will also incur a charge of £50 unless they are able to provide their own PPL certificate.

**Q CAN WE HAVE LIVE ENTERTAINMENT?**

**A** Yes, providing we are made aware of your intentions beforehand. We would need to see copies of Public Liability Insurance together with valid testing certificates for any electrical equipment to be used.

**Q IS CONFETTI ALLOWED?**

**A** Yes, **hand thrown** confetti is allowed in the grounds with pleasure. However, confetti bombs, rockets, launchers etc are strictly forbidden!

**Q ARE MARQUEES ALLOWED?**

**A** We regret that it is not possible to put marquees in the grounds.

**Q ARE THERE SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION RATES FOR WEDDING GUESTS?**

**A** As part of the wedding package, when minimum numbers are met then a Superior double room is provided on a complimentary basis for the Happy Couple on the wedding night. Additional guests will pay the current room tariff.

We hope that the above questions and answers, whilst not comprehensive, are of assistance when making plans for your Wedding Day. It is our aim at Slater's to work with you as a team to create the perfect day for you both. If you have further questions or require clarification on any other details then please do not hesitate to ask.

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### HOW TO BOOK

Once you have decided to hold your wedding/reception with us we will hold the booking provisionally for you for a maximum of 14 days.

After this time we would ask you to pay a non-refundable deposit of £500 to confirm the reservation and secure the date.

Three months prior to the date we would ask you to confirm menu and drinks choices with an estimate of final numbers. At this time 50% of the anticipated final balance will become due. Final numbers should be confirmed two weeks before the date of your wedding at which time final payment becomes due. Any additional costs incurred will be payable on the day.

All deposits and advance payments are non refundable and non transferable.

### PRICES

**All our prices are correct at the time of going to print and include VAT. They may be subject to change without notice. Final prices will be confirmed three months prior to the event.**