

JOIN US FOR STYLISH

# FESTIVE CELEBRATIONS

2025



# A WARM WELCOME

Originally opened in 1895, the Hydro Hotel has been taking care of guests for over 130 years. The hotel has built up a long-standing reputation for fine cuisine, an unforgettable dining experience and personal service. There is no better place to celebrate the festive season where tradition combined with fine food, excellent wines and wonderfully relaxed surroundings create a truly unique atmosphere.



# Three and four night Christmas package

Christmas Eve – Wednesday 24th December 2025

Arrive on Christmas Eve from 12pm and enjoy a light bite buffet lunch in the Crystal Restaurant. Relax with a glass of mulled wine whilst listening to our local church choir singing Christmas carols in the lounges from 3.30pm.

Jonathan Owen our General Manager and his team look forward to welcoming you to the manager's drinks reception from 6.30pm, a chance to meet other guests and the Hydro team whilst enjoying the accompaniment from Fiona Hosford, our resident harpist.

James Penn our Head Chef and his brigade will prepare a sumptuous four course dinner using the finest local ingredients for you to enjoy in the Crystal Restaurant.

Guests who wish to attend midnight mass can take a short stroll to St John's Church. Our resident's bar will be open for a night cap or hot beverage on return from the service.

# Christmas Day – Thursday 25th December 2025

Start Christmas morning with a glass of Buck's Fizz before enjoying traditional breakfast in the Crystal Restaurant. Eyes down, prizes for a line and full house! Join us for Hydro bingo from 10.30am in the Conservatory.

Enjoy a glass of Kir Royale before lunch and our traditional Christmas Day five course luncheon in the Crystal Restaurant.

Join fellow guests in the Drawing Room to watch His Majesty The King's Christmas message followed by tea and homemade Christmas cake. Our traditional Christmas Day quiz will follow from 3.30pm in the Conservatory with fantastic prizes to be won.

We will be serving an evening drinks reception in the lounges from 6.30pm, followed by a Christmas buffet in the Crystal Restaurant.

# Boxing Day - Friday 26th December 2025

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast in the Crystal Restaurant, before perhaps taking a stroll along the seafront to the bandstand for the traditional Boxing Day open air dancing. Or alternatively take advantage of the Boxing Day sales.

James will be preparing a light buffet lunch served in the Crystal Restaurant, followed by afternoon tea in the lounges. A charity raffle will be taking place with the proceeds being donated between our nominated charity, St. Wilfrid's Hospice.

The Hydro is honoured to welcome Tony Harris for an inspired talk entitled 'A Christmas with William Shakespeare' in the Garden Suite from 4.30pm.

Join fellow guests from 6.30pm for our Boxing Day Champagne drinks reception served in the hotel lounges before dinner in the Crystal Restaurant. After dinner relax or dance the night away in the Conservatory to Duality.

# Saturday 27th December 2025

Our traditional breakfast will be served in the Crystal Restaurant. For those guests departing this morning may we wish you a happy and healthy New Year and a very safe journey home.

Join us in the hotel grounds from 10.30am to take part in our festive welly throwing competition.

A two-course luncheon from 12pm will be served in the Crystal Restaurant for all guests staying.

During the afternoon join the team at the local Devonshire Park Theatre for the pantomime Peter Pan. A coach has been arranged and will be departing the hotel at 2pm.

Guests are welcomed from 6.30pm to our drinks reception which will be served in the lounges before dinner in the Crystal Restaurant. After dinner it's time to make your way to the Conservatory to enjoy the sounds of Paul Astor.

#### Sunday 28th December 2025

A hearty breakfast is served to help you on your way before leaving us. Wishing all our Christmas residential guests a very happy and healthy New Year and a safe journey home.

3 nights - £900

4 nights - £1,000

Prices are per person and include overnight accommodation for 3 or 4 nights starting from 24th December. Includes all entertainment, traditional breakfast and meals as stated within the Christmas programme.

Daily supplements

Side Sea View bedroom – £17.50 per person

Sea View bedroom - £25 per person

Superior Sea View bedroom – £32.50 per person

Master Suite – £40 per person

Twin, Double, Superior Sea View bedroom and Master Suite are based on two people sharing.

Please confirm attendance of the pantomime at time of booking to avoid disappointment.

# Visiting friends and family

For those who are looking to visit the area why not stay and relax in the comfort of the Hydro Hotel? Our special rates are available from £190 per room per night inclusive of full traditional breakfast and are based on two people sharing a double or twin Classic bedroom.

To book please call reservations on 01323 720643.

Guests staying with us on a bed and breakfast basis will enjoy breakfast served in the Orangery from 24th December to 27th December inclusive

# CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH

On Christmas Day enjoy a real treat for all the family. Arrive for a glass of Kir Royale in our Garden Suite for a traditional Christmas Day luncheon with all the trimmings.

£115 per person, £60 per child (aged 4 to 14 years)

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# Christmas Day luncheon menu

#### STARTERS

Brie, caramelised pear and red onion tart (v)

Slow roasted barbeque pork belly bites, parsnip purée, barbeque and sesame seed sauce (qf)

Creamed celeriac and thyme soup, pancetta (gf)

Sriracha grilled king prawn with a pomegranate, lime and mango salsa (gf)

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Cherry and kirsch sorbet

#### MAINS

Roasted breast of turkey with a cranberry and thyme dumpling, slow roasted leek and potato fondant, caramelised carrot, smoked bacon and rosemary jus

Grilled fillet of seabass, roasted new potatoes, fine beans and asparagus, Italian tomato oil (gf, nut free)

Wild mushroom, spinach and cashew nut risotto, roasted garlic and cherry tomato oil (vegan, gf)

# **DESSERTS**

Steamed plum pudding with a spiced plum compote and Amaretto sauce

Dark chocolate torte, spiced poached satsumas

Mulled berry pavlova, raspberry sauce

Selection of local, French and blue cheeses, grapes, homemade fruit cake and water biscuits

Assorted ice creams and sorbets

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Freshly brewed coffee and truffles





# Sunday 28th December 2025

Arrive at your leisure with bedrooms available for check-in from 3pm.

A welcome drinks reception will be held from 6.30pm in the hotel lounges before dinner is served in the Crystal Restaurant from 6.45pm. After dinner relax in the comfort of the lounges or join Rick Bonner for an evening of musical entertainment in the Conservatory.

# Monday 29th December 2025

A hearty breakfast awaits you in the Crystal Restaurant. The day is free for you to explore the surrounding areas of Eastbourne and the South Downs

A three-course dinner is served from 6.45pm in the Crystal Restaurant followed by the sounds of Paul Astor in the Conservatory for dancing and entertainment.

£250 per person for two nights

Prices are inclusive of two night's accommodation based on two people sharing a Classic twin or double bedroom arriving on the 28th of December, with entertainment, traditional breakfast and meals as stated above.

# Daily supplements

Side Sea View bedroom – £17.50 per person Sea View bedroom – £25 per person

Superior Sea View bedroom – £32.50 per person

Master Suite - £40 per person

Twin, Double, Superior Sea View bedroom and Master Suite are based on two people sharing.

Guests are requested to reserve a table for dinner for both nights at the time of booking.

# NEW YEAR ESCAPE



# Tuesday 30th December 2025

Arrive at your leisure throughout the day and relax in our spacious lounges. Chef's light afternoon tea buffet will be served in the Crystal Restaurant from 3pm. The Hydro welcome drinks reception will take place in the lounges before dinner is served in the Crystal Restaurant from 6.45pm. After dinner enjoy the sounds of Rick Bonner for an evening of musical entertainment in the Conservatory.

# New Year's Eve – Wednesday 31st December 2025

Our traditional breakfast is served in the Crystal Restaurant. The day is free for you to relax or explore the surrounding areas. Enjoy a stroll along Beachy Head and take in the many views over the South Downs National Park.

Join fellow guests in the lounges for a Champagne reception before our New Year gala dinner is served from 7pm in the Crystal Restaurant.

After dinner our resident band The Rhythm Crew will entertain you with music and dancing as we countdown to midnight. Our resident piper will herald in the New Year with a glass of Prosecco for all.

Please note guests will be placed on large tables to create a party atmosphere for dinner.

# New Year's Day - Thursday 1st January 2026

Our traditional breakfast is served in the Crystal Restaurant with a glass of Buck's Fizz to start the New Year. Enjoy a stroll along the seafront or perhaps head into Eastbourne.

Dinner is served in the Crystal Restaurant from 6.45pm.

After dinner Duality will be in the Conservatory for music and dancing.

# Friday 2nd January 2026

Breakfast is served in the Crystal Restaurant. May the Hydro team wish all guests departing a very happy and healthy New Year and a safe journey home.

2 nights - £400 per person

3 nights - £510 per person

Prices are based on two people sharing a Classic twin or double bedroom arriving on the 30th December, inclusive of entertainment, traditional breakfast and meals as stated within the New Year Escape programme.

# Daily supplements

Side Sea View bedroom – £17.50 per person

Sea View bedroom – £25 per person

Superior Sea View bedroom – £32.50 per person

Master Suite – £40 per person

Twin, Double, Superior Sea View bedroom and Master Suite are based on two people sharing.

Guests are requested to reserve a table for dinner for both nights at the time of booking.



# New Year's Day luncheon menu

# STARTERS

Assiette of melon with a passion fruit jelly (vegan, gf, nut free)

Brie, caramelised pear and red onion tart (v)

Creamed celeriac and thyme soup, pancetta (gf)

Sriracha grilled king prawn with a pomegranate, lime and mango salsa (gf)

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Blackberry and gin sorbet

## MAINS

Traditional roast sirloin of beef, Yorkshire pudding, seasonal vegetables, roast potatoes and a port jus

Butter basted pork tenderloin with barbeque pork belly, celeriac purée, Hasselback potato and Madeira jus (gf, nut free)

Grilled fillet of seabass, roasted new potatoes, fine beans and asparagus, Italian tomato oil (gf, nut free)

Teriyaki tofu, oriental vegetable fettuccini, soy oil (vegan, nut free)

# **DESSERTS**

White chocolate and Baileys cheesecake, dark chocolate sauce

Mulled berry pavlova, raspberry sauce

Apple and cinnamon crème brûlée, biscuit

Selection of cheese and biscuits

Assorted ice creams and sorbets

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Freshly brewed coffee and mints

£49 per person £25 per child (aged 4 to 14 years)

# FESTIVE PARTY NIGHTS

Whether you are organising your company's party or looking to join a night with a group of friends, our festive parties are an evening to remember.



Start the evening by greeting your guests in one of our lounges. Enjoy a sumptuous three course meal with coffee and mints, then you and your guests are invited to celebrate and dance the night away until midnight with our resident DJ. This event is not suitable for under 18s. Please note for all parties and groups a table plan will be required.

# Pricing and package inclusions:

Three course pre-ordered meal with coffee and mints After dinner disco with DJ until midnight

Festive décor

Please note in 2025 we will not be including table decorations/crackers as we will be donating 10p per guest to St Wilfrid's Hospice.

Friday 5th, Saturday 13th, Friday 19th - £60 per person

# Sound of the Crowd festive party night Saturday 6th December and Friday 12th December

Eastbourne's number one 1980's tribute band! Due to popular demand from previous festive parties the Hydro is proud to welcome back Sound of the Crowd.

£65 inclusive of entertainment and three course dinner with coffee and mints.

#### Stereo Kings Saturday 20th December

The Hydro welcomes the Stereo Kings for their first festive performance on 20th December. Described as a high energy party band with a reputation for enthusiasm and incredible playlist of songs. A real must for that ultimate party goer!

£65 inclusive of entertainment and three course dinner with coffee and mints.

Pre-order your wine before 1st November 2025 at a special price of £25 per bottle based on our house wine selection.

We do not require a deposit for the parties this year, but we are asking for the full payment by 1st October. Prior to payment please can you inform all guests in your party attending that in the event of any cancellations the payment is non-refundable, non-interchangeable and cannot be used as payment towards wine or bar drinks. Please refer to terms and conditions section on page 9.

#### **Bar Accounts**

Please note should you require an account bar facility during your party a valid debit or credit card must be presented prior to the account starting. We also require written confirmation of measures and drinks permitted. All accounts must be settled in full on the night.



# Festive party night menu

# **STARTERS**

Roasted plum tomato and basil soup (vegan, gf, nut free)

Slow roasted barbeque pork belly bites, parsnip purée, barbeque and sesame seed sauce (gf)

Assiette of melon with a pomegranate syrup (vegan, gf, nut free)

Avocado and prawn salad, cos lettuce and a sun blushed tomato dressing (gf, nut free)

# MAINS

Roasted breast of turkey with a cranberry and thyme dumpling, chipolata, slow roasted parsnip and potato fondant, caramelised carrot, smoked bacon and rosemary jus

Braised feather blade of beef on parsley garlic mash, roasted root vegetable and marsala sauce (gf, nut free)

Grilled fillet of seabass, roasted new potatoes, fine beans and asparagus, Italian tomato oil (gf, nut free)

Teriyaki tofu, oriental vegetable fettuccini, soy oil (vegan, nut free)

Wild mushroom, spinach and cashew nut risotto, roasted garlic and cherry tomato oil (vegan, gf)

# DESSERTS

Traditional plum pudding with a spiced plum compote and Amaretto sauce

Apple and cinnamon crème brûlée, biscuit

Dark chocolate torte, spiced poached satsumas

Farmhouse Stilton, Cheddar and French Brie cheeses with biscuits

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Freshly brewed coffee and mints



#### Festive luncheons

Throughout December celebrate with friends, family, colleagues and clients. The Crystal Restaurant is available for lunch throughout the week and is the perfect location to enjoy our festive menus.

Three course festive lunch with festive novelties is £35 per person.

# Christmas Day lunch

# Thursday 25th December 2025

Join us on Christmas Day and enjoy a real treat for all the family. Arrive for a glass of Kir Royale in the Garden Suite before a traditional four course Christmas Day luncheon is served with all the trimmings.

£115 per person £55 per child (aged 4 to 14 years)

# New Year's Day lunch

Thursday 1st January 2026

Please note our New Year's Day lunch menu will feature dishes from our popular Sunday lunch menus throughout the year. Includes resident pianist.

£49 per person £25 per child (aged 4 to 14 years)

# Winter weddings

With its secluded setting and warm welcoming atmosphere, it is hard to imagine a more romantic wedding venue than the Hydro Hotel during the festive season. Combine the biggest day of your life with the most special time of the year. Please speak with our events department to learn more.

#### Festive Accommodation

Attending a festive party night or private function during December? Why not stay the night with preferential accommodation rates available?

One night bed and breakfast package from £40 per person. Prices are per night based on two people sharing a Classic double or twin bedroom, inclusive of breakfast. Bedroom upgrades available. Pre-booking is required. Please speak to our reception team to discuss further. Supplements apply for sea facing bedrooms.

# January dining and party nights

For those that are too busy to fit in celebrations during December, why not enquire about our January private dining availability?

#### Festive lunch menu

# STARTERS

Celeriac and thyme soup (vegan, gf, nut free)

Brie, caramelised pear and red onion tart (v)

Assiette of melon with a pomegranate syrup (vegan, gf, nut free)

Avocado and prawn salad, coz lettuce and a sun blushed tomato dressing (gf)

# MAINS

Roasted breast of turkey with a cranberry and thyme dumpling, chipolata, slow roasted parsnip and potato fondant, caramelised carrot, smoked bacon and rosemary jus

Butter basted pork tenderloin with barbeque pork belly, celeriac purée, Hasselback potato and madeira jus (gf, nut free)

Steamed paupiette of plaice with a salmon mousse in a chive cream, tender stem broccoli, roasted new potatoes (gf, nut free)

Wild mushroom, spinach and cashew nut risotto, roasted garlic and cherry tomato oil (vegan, gf)

# **DESSERTS**

Traditional plum pudding with a spiced plum compote and Amaretto sauce

White chocolate and Baileys cheesecake, dark chocolate sauce

Mulled berry pavlova

Lemon mousse, lemon curd, raspberries (vegan)

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Freshly brewed coffee and mints

£35 per person includes festive novelties

#### Festive Afternoon Tea at the Movies

Enjoy a pre-Christmas afternoon tea served in the Drawing Room whilst enjoying one of our classic Christmas films between 3pm and 5pm. Arrival from 2.30pm. Arrival from 2.30pm.

£28 adults | £19 children

Saturday 6th December 2025

Elf (2003)

Sunday 7th December 2025 Miracle on 34th Street (1194)

Saturday 13th December 2025

The Santa Claus (1994)

Sunday 14th December 2025

A Christmas Carol (2009)

Saturday 20th December 2025

The Holiday (2006)

Sunday 21st December 2025

The Grinch (2000)

# Swingtime Sweethearts Lunch

Enjoy a three-course festive luncheon with glass of wine or a soft drink with one of our most popular entertainers with two lunchtime dates to choose from. Saturday 13th December 2025 and Saturday 20th December – £36 per person

# Yuletide Homicide Christmas Murder Mystery Evening

Friday 12th December Arrival from 7pm

Arrival drink and three-course dinner with murder mystery plot by The Company Upfront. Put on your detective hat and sharpen your sleuthing skills as you become part of an interactive murder investigation. Unravel the secrets and untangle the web of clues to solve. Expect an evening filled with intrigue, laughter and surprises.

£70 per person

#### How to book

Please contact the hotel to check availability of dates and minimum numbers required. To make a reservation contact the events team on 01323 746105 or email events@hydrohotel.com

## Payment

Where possible one full payment for parties over 10 guests is preferred.

#### Private functions

Garden Suite – minimum numbers apply of 50 guests lunch and dinner.

Please note we reserve the right to discuss with the organiser moving the location of the private event into the Crystal Restaurant should your numbers be significantly less than our expectations.

# Online gift vouchers available

Visit hydro-hotel.vouchercart.com.

#### Be our guest this festive season

130 years of fine cuisine and exceptional personal service, the Hydro Hotel is the perfect venue for your celebration.

#### Terms and conditions

#### Festive party nights

Full payment is required by the 1st of October to confirm your evening. Menu pre-ordering is required six weeks prior to event. We do not require a deposit for the parties this year, we are asking for the full payment by 1st October. Prior to payment please can you inform all guests in your party attending that in the event of any cancellations the payment is non-refundable, non-interchangeable and cannot be used as payment towards wine or bar drinks.

Private venue lunches and dinners. Menu pre-orders and table plans must be provided a minimum of four weeks prior to event. A £250 deposit is required for private venue bookings, full payment is required eight weeks prior to the event.

Please note for all parties over 30 guests a table plan will be required.

In the event of sickness or non-attendance at a festive event all monies paid are non-refundable and non-transferable.

The Hydro Hotel is completely non-smoking; smoking is not permitted in any areas. Smart casual dress is respectfully requested. We do not offer a corkage service. All special requests such as dietary, allergy, table plans etc. must be received six weeks prior to your event. Normal terms and cancellation policy apply. All prices are inclusive of VAT at 20%. The management reserves the right to alter the contents without notice.

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