

Avington Park

## Avington Park "Is without doubt one of the prettiest houses in the county" William Cobbett

Avington Park dates back to the 10th century and is mentioned in the Domesday Book. Once the property of Winchester Cathedral, it was seized by the crown at the Reformation. Henry VIII then granted the estate to Edmund Clerke. Avington was later owned by the Duke of Buckingham and played host to Charles II, along with Nell Gwynn. In 1848 the house was bought by Sir John Shelley and was sold 100 years later to Colonel and Mrs Hickson in 1951, whose family still live in the house.



Adrian Harvey

## Weddings, Private Parties and Corporate Events

Avington Park provides a magnificent setting for weddings, celebrations, musical evenings, receptions, private dinners, themed parties, business presentations and product launches. The State Rooms were designed for enjoyment and entertaining making Avington Park the perfect venue to host a variety of events.

With only exclusive use offered, Avington Park can ensure your special event is a memorable and prestigious occasion.



The Ballroom and the Library both licensed for wedding ceremonies.



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**The Ballroom** is an opulent classically proportioned room on the first floor with stunning views across the Hampshire countryside. Its grandeur provides a beautiful and romantic backdrop for a wedding ceremony.

The Library and the adjoining conservatory can accommodate up to 175 guests for a finger buffet or drinks reception or 100 guests seated for wedding breakfasts, private parties and corporate functions. With its leather-bound books, painted Centaurs and intriguing trophies, it has an intimate feel. Larger parties can be accommodated with an adjoining marquee on the South Lawn.

**The Hall** is a fantastic entrance to meet and greet guests and clients. A wonderfully decorated room with marbled pillars and walls painted by Clermont around 1790. In winter, a warm welcome is assured with a crackling open log fire.

The Zoffany Room is a charming and versatile room, perfect for smaller parties and private meetings, providing a relaxing and peaceful environment.



 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{A}}$  marquee can adjoin the Library for larger receptions.

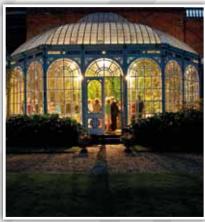


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The house and grounds are truly yours for the day. A fine stately home where your guests or clients can wander freely and enjoy the fabulous setting.

Avington staff will be happy to help you organise your special occasion.



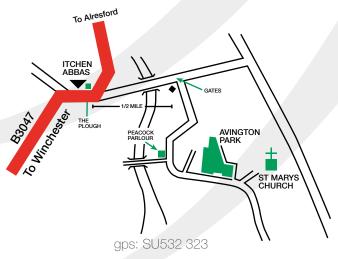


Avington Park has all the grace and elegance of a fine country house. As you drive through the wrought iron gateway and down the long avenue of lime trees, the approach opens out onto well tended lawns bordering the river Itchen and the elegant Palladian façade. The house stands in beautiful secluded grounds, and yet is conveniently located 5 miles from the historic city of Winchester, 10 minutes from Junction 9 of the M3 and just over one hour from London.



Avington Park is pleased to offer its facilities for conferences, meetings, team building, activity days, dinners, lunches, auctions, concerts, theatrical events, film and tv locations, weddings and private parties.

## How to find Avington Park



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