

The Lost Gardens of Heligan

Weddings Department Sustainability & Promise Statement

At The Lost Gardens of Heligan, sustainability isn't a feature, it's our foundation. Rooted in over 200 acres of heritage landscape, every event we host is shaped by a deep commitment to environmental and social responsibility. As the first B Corp-certified garden visitor attraction in the UK, we are proud to uphold rigorous standards across five key pillars: Workers, Customers, Community, Environment, and Governance.

Our Vision

We imagine a world where everyone feels a meaningful connection to nature. As caretakers of a historic estate, we honour our past while cultivating a regenerative future, one where our land, people, and communities thrive in harmony. Our weddings are a reflection of this ethos: beautiful, heartfelt celebrations that tread lightly on the earth and uplift all who are part of them.

Our Sustainability Promise

Environmentally Conscious Celebrations

- Ultra-Local Menus: At peak time of the year, the gardens seasonally produce 85% of the ingredients on our wedding menus are grown just 157 yards away within our own gardens and estate. From rare-breed livestock to garden-fresh produce, our food is seasonal, sustainable, and delicious.
- Low-Mileage Catering: Our chefs curate each dish using ingredients that are responsibly sourced and as close to home as possible—minimising food miles and maximising flavour.
- Local Beverages: Our bar menus feature wines from Cornish vineyards and spirits from regional distilleries, celebrating the craft of our local producers.

Nature-Inspired Décor

- In-House Floristry: All floral arrangements are created by our wedding coordinator, using fresh, seasonal blooms grown right here in our gardens.
- Eco-Conscious Design: Stationery, including invitations, place cards, and menus, is designed in-house and printed on recycled paper to reduce waste and carbon impact.

• Onsite Cake Creations: Wedding cakes can be baked on site, minimising transportation and ensuring the freshest ingredients.

Community & Inclusivity

• Fair Employment: We proudly employ over 100 local team members, all paid the real Living Wage. We operate with a zero gender pay gap and actively promote diversity and inclusion across our teams.

Our Everyday Environmental Actions

Our commitment to sustainability extends well beyond events. These are just some of the ways we care for our environment every day:

- Energy: We continually monitor and reduce our energy consumption, seeking efficient and renewable solutions wherever possible. Solar power from the Seedpod space which is due to launch end of 2025, will power our Meadow Kitchen and BBQ spaces.
- Water: Rainwater harvesting, low-flush toilets, and an on-site borehole help us conserve water throughout the estate.
- Recycling & Waste Reduction: We prioritise recyclable materials and actively promote a reduce-reuse-recycle culture among staff and visitors. We compost our food waste, which is used in our gardens.
- Pollution Control: We limit chemical use, ensure safe disposal practices, and regularly survey our watercourses to protect natural habitats.
- Food Production: Our productive gardens grow over 500 varieties of fruit, vegetables, and herbs, all used in our kitchens just steps away. We are RBST and Red Tractor approved meaning our farm animals are given the best care.
- Transport: We minimise vehicle use on-site, consolidate off-site journeys, and are exploring electric vehicle charging and greener fleet alternatives.

Our Pledge to You

Choosing to celebrate your wedding at Heligan is more than just selecting a beautiful venue, it's a vote for a more thoughtful, sustainable future. From your first visit to your final toast, our dedicated Weddings Team is here to help you create a day that reflects your values and honours the world around you.

Let your love story unfold in harmony with nature, here at The Lost Gardens of Heligan.

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