

Wedding & Civil Partnership Ceremonies
at *Nash Point Lighthouse*

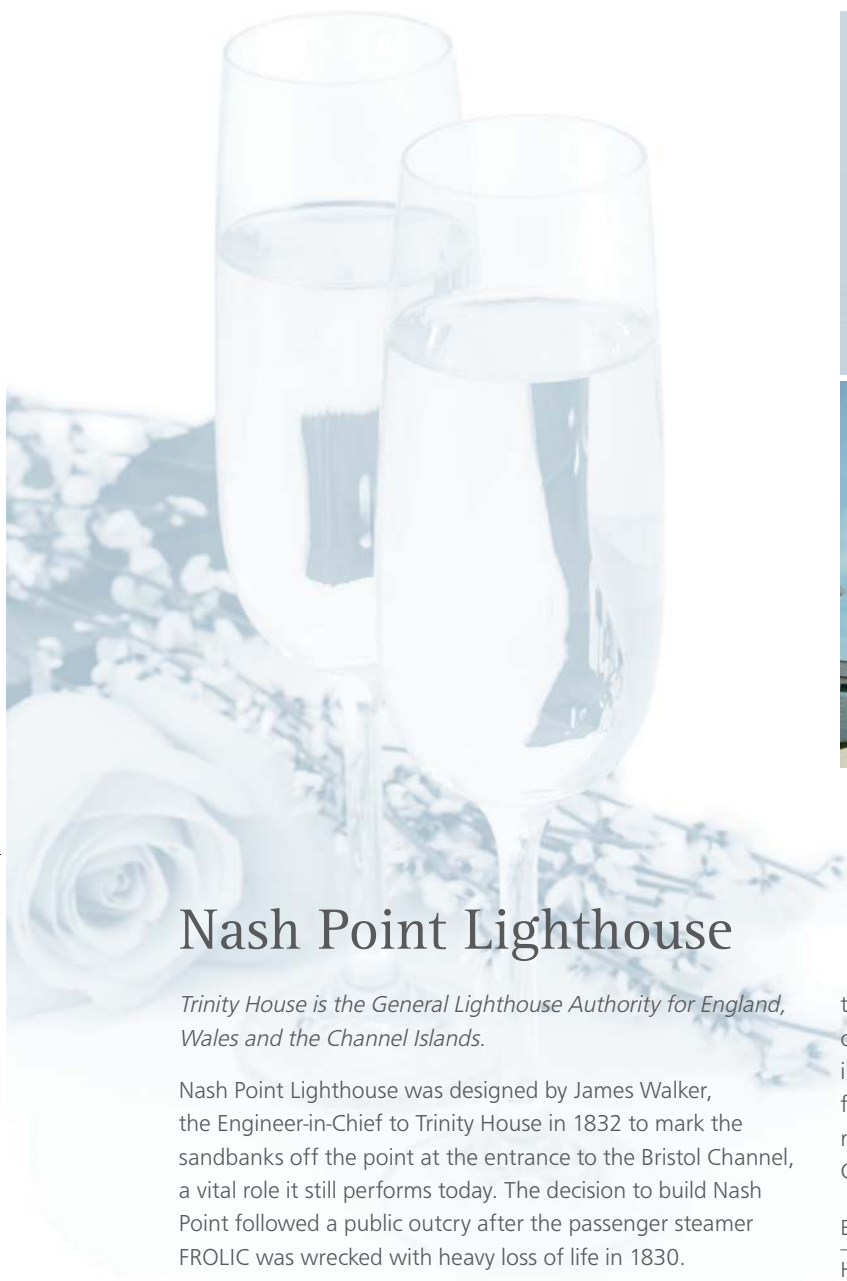


a *unique* location for
your *special day*



Trinity House

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Trinity House is the General Lighthouse Authority for England, Wales and the Channel Islands.

Nash Point Lighthouse was designed by James Walker, the Engineer-in-Chief to Trinity House in 1832 to mark the sandbanks off the point at the entrance to the Bristol Channel, a vital role it still performs today. The decision to build Nash Point followed a public outcry after the passenger steamer FROLIC was wrecked with heavy loss of life in 1830.

Two circular towers were built each with massive walls and a stone gallery. The eastern, or high lighthouse being 37 metres high and the western or low lighthouse 25 metres high. Placed 302 metres apart they provided leading lights to indicate safe passage past the sandbanks. The high light was painted with black and white stripes and the low light was white. In those days both towers showed a fixed light which was either red or white depending on the direction from which a vessel approached. The red sector marked the Nash Sands.

The low light was abandoned circa 1925 and the high light was modernised and painted white. In place of the fixed light a new first order catadioptric lens was installed which gave a white and red group flashing, this was removed in

the automation of the station and replaced with a rotating optic. Nash Point Lighthouse was the last manned lighthouse in Wales. It was automated in 1998 with the keepers leaving for the last time on the 5th August. The lighthouse is now monitored and controlled from the Operations and Planning Centre at Trinity House in Harwich, Essex.

Established	1832
Height of Tower	37 metres
Electrified	1968
Automated	1998
Optic	360mm Rotating with red sector shades
Lamp	150w Metal Halide
Character	Flashes white and red twice every 15 seconds
Intensity	134,000 Candela (White); 17,000 Candela (Red)
Range of Light	21/16 nautical miles



Location

Nash Point Lighthouse is located in South Wales within the Vale of Glamorgan approximately one mile from the small village of Marcross. The lighthouse is sited within a Site of Special Scientific Interest and is notable for its variety of plant and birdlife including the rare tuberous thistle (*cirsium tuberosum*).

This stretch of coastline boasts some of the cleanest sandy beaches in South Wales and is within easy reach of breathtaking mountain scenery.

The cottages at the Lighthouse can be used as a base for visiting some of the most attractive parts of the UK and is within an hour's drive of Cardiff, The Gower Peninsula and The Brecon Beacons National Park.

Nash Point is also situated within the Glamorgan Coast Heritage Trail, with many attractions within walking distance of the Lighthouse.



Wedding and Civil Partnership Ceremonies

Nash Point Lighthouse holds a licence under the Marriage Act 1949. It is an ideal venue for small, intimate ceremonies with up to 25 guests arranged over two floors. Please note that the maximum numbers include the wedding couple, Registrar and Photographer.

Booking Information

Trinity House charges £800.00 inclusive of VAT for the use of Nash Point as a wedding venue. The cost includes the services of the Local Lighthouse Attendant and a small flower arrangement for the wedding table. The ceremony room is available for decoration by the wedding party prior to the special day. A £200.00 non refundable deposit is payable on booking. Registrar's fees are not determined by, nor payable to, Trinity House. These fees and the arrangements with the registrar are the responsibility of the wedding couple.

If you wish to make a booking and find out more about this unique venue see the contact details on the reverse of the brochure.

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Accommodation at the Lighthouse

Why not treat yourselves or your guests to a stay at the former Lighthouse Keepers Cottage as a part of the wedding celebrations?

In association with Trinity House, Rural Retreats is pleased to present four refurbished former lighthouse keepers cottages. Nash Point Lighthouse is situated within the Vale of Glamorgan Heritage Coast. This spectacular coastline is 28 miles long and covers an area from Penarth to Porthcawl and is ideal for both walking and cycling. There are wonderful safe beaches many of which have been awarded the coveted blue flag. The beaches, in particular at Ogmore-by-Sea (just over four miles away), Barry Island, Southerndown and Porthcawl are particularly good for windsurfing. For children the area is particularly well served with Barry Island Pleasure Park and the Quasar Centre both within a 20-minute drive. St Donats Art Centre offers exhibitions, cinema, dance, theatre, music and children's events. The museum of Welsh Life at St Fagan's is also 20 minutes away. Cowbridge offers a good range of shops with small boutiques craft and art galleries, excellent restaurants and pubs. Further along the coast is the famous Gower peninsula and walking on the Mumbles. The perimeter of the site is fully fenced and gated but once outside this area it is very dangerous for children. Strict supervision at all times is recommended as not all guests will remember to keep the

gate closed and locked. The historic fog signal is occasionally sounded (weather permitting) for the benefit of visitors and **not as an aid to navigation**, usually on the first Saturday and third Sunday of each month and on other special occasions such as when a wedding takes place at the Lighthouse.

Features

- Gas central heating
- Electric effect wood burner
- Electric cooker
- Microwave
- Fridge/freezer
- Washer/dryer
- Dishwasher
- TV and DVD
- Video
- CD player
- Fully enclosed garden with garden furniture

Minimum 7 nights Saturday to Saturday during July and August.

Smoking is prohibited in cottages.

Accommodation

Sitting room, dining room, kitchen, double bedroom with 5' bed, twin bedroom, single bedroom, bathroom with shower over bath and separate WC.

Accommodation can be booked via Rural Retreats:

Rural Retreats, Draycott Business Park, Draycott, Moreton-in-Marsh, Gloucestershire, GL56 9JY

Web: www.ruralretreats.co.uk

Email: info@ruralretreats.co.uk

Tel: 01386 701177

between 9am and 8pm Mon-Fri, 9am and 5:30pm Sat-Sun.



Contacts

Booking and General Enquiries

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Visit the Venue

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