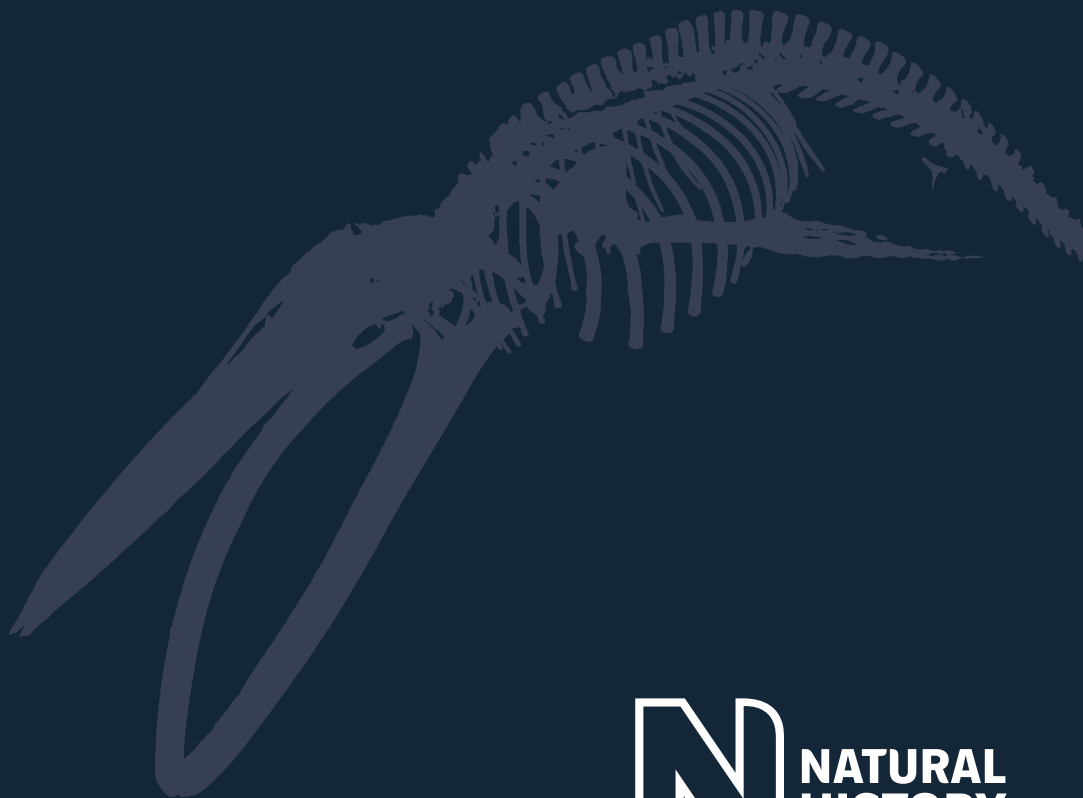


Venue Hire

at the Natural History Museum



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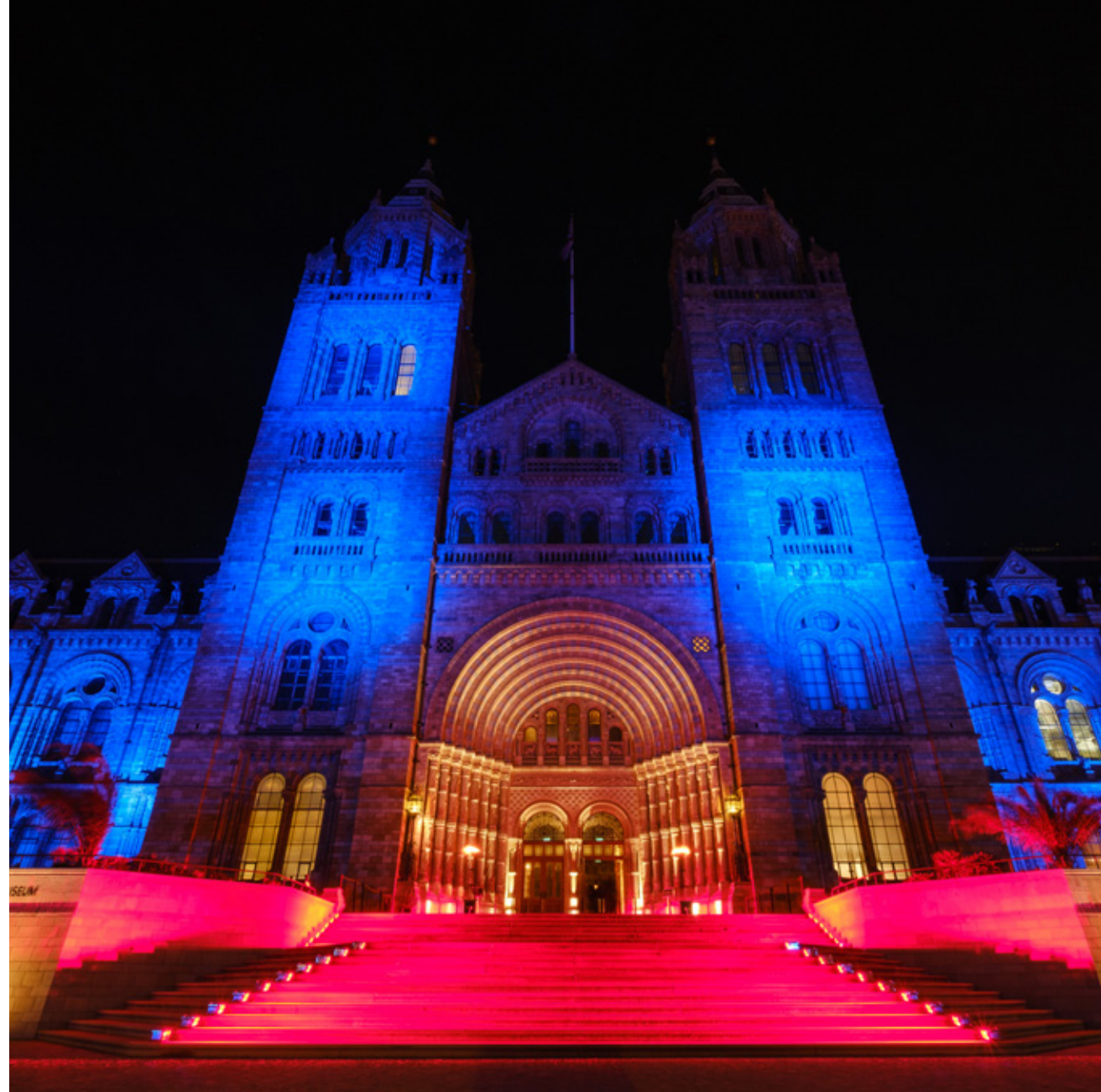
The Grade I listed Natural History Museum is one of London's most iconic venues. Its breath-taking Romanesque architecture and awe-inspiring collections create the perfect backdrop for any event.

The world renowned Museum in South Kensington has an incredible range of spaces available for venue hire, however large or small your party. Whether you are looking for an event with maximum impact or a more intimate celebration, our expert team will help you to choose the ideal space for the occasion.

Evening Events

Whether you're hosting a reception where guests sip champagne beneath a giant globe or a sumptuous banquet where guests dine below a soaring blue whale skeleton, the diversity of spaces at the Natural History Museum means there is always a perfect venue for your evening event.

The amazing array of specimens contained within the Museum's stunning galleries ensures that guests will be captivated from the moment they walk through the grand entrance.



Summer Parties

As well as the impressive interior galleries, guests can make the most of the long summer evenings in the sweeping Darwin Centre courtyard. Whether they are enjoying refreshing spritzers whilst relaxing on cushions scattering the grass-covered steps of the amphitheatre or dancing to a feel-good acoustic trio in the spectacular Hintze Hall, the Museum's galleries are the perfect setting for your summer celebration.

Ask your Event Manager about our Summer Party Packages.



Christmas Parties

As night falls, guests can escape the winter chill in the warm and inviting galleries of the Natural History Museum. With striking entrances and beautifully intricate architecture illuminated in soft amber lights guests can sample delicious festive treats around the Museum's *Stegosaurus* specimen or party the night away against the magical star-lit backdrop of the Hintze Hall.



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Hintze Hall

The Museum's largest venue boasts dramatic Romanesque arches and a majestic staircase. With Hope, the magnificent soaring whale skeleton, dominating the space, the Hintze Hall provides a stunning backdrop for your event.

Guests also have the opportunity to explore the star specimens in the surrounding Wonder Bays.

Capacity

Dinner dance: 450

Dinner: 650

Reception: 1200





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Earth Hall

The celestial map adorning the Earth Hall's walls and the giant Earth sculpture above provide a dramatic backdrop for an unforgettable celebration.

There is the opportunity for guests to ascend the escalator that transports them through the centre of Earth into the surrounding geological galleries.

Capacity

Dinner dance: 200

Dinner: 200

Reception: 400





Darwin Centre

With its soaring glass atrium surrounding the breathtaking Cocoon gallery, the Darwin Centre is the Museum's newest wing. The strikingly contemporary space, adjoining the famous Waterhouse building, overlooks a stunning landscaped courtyard.

Guests are able to explore the Cocoon in a self-guided tour of real specimens, incredible displays and animated interactive activities which focus on the everyday research carried out by scientists at the Museum.

Capacity

Dinner: 150

Reception: 350





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Galleries

The Natural History Museum isn't just renowned for large parties, it also has a number of more intimate galleries for smaller groups. *The Images of Nature* gallery is adorned with historic prints and watercolours of the natural world, whilst in *Fossil Way* guests find themselves surrounded by stunning marine fossil specimens mounted to the towering walls.



Earth's Treasury

Earth's Treasury hosts glittering displays of unique specimens - from gold nuggets to Stonehenge rock and the Museum's very own 'kryptonite'.

Guests can discover how diamonds are formed and cut, and examine royal links to precious stones. The size and style of this gallery make it a great fit for elegant, intimate dinners.

Capacity

Dinner: 45

Reception: 200



Volcanoes & Earthquakes

On their way to an event in the Volcanoes and Earthquakes gallery, guests pass the most complete Stegosaurus fossil in the world before ascending through the Earth sculpture in Earth Hall.

Once in the Volcanoes and Earthquakes gallery, guests can explore exhibits, film footage and the famous earthquake simulator. The size and shape of this gallery make it a great fit for drinks receptions, providing guests with fascinating specimens to view and discuss.

Capacity

Reception: 200



Fossil Way

Fossil way, part of the Waterhouse building, has beautiful architecture and some of the most complete fossils of prehistoric sea animals in the world.

Guests can dine with a view of the giant sloth and next to fossils that have inspired stories of sea dragons. From the gallery there is direct access to the Wildlife Photographer of the Year exhibition, a perfect add-on for guests to explore.

Capacity

Dinner: 200

Reception: 400



North Hall

The North Hall takes guests on a journey through the rich history of the Natural History Museum.

After entering through the contemporary Darwin Centre and exploring the extraordinary exhibits in the Mammals gallery, guests are taken to a traditional dining space in the North Hall. This is the perfect place to soak up the Museum's grandeur.

This space is available to book at short notice, but has limited availability.

Capacity

Dinner: 250

Reception: 400



Images of Nature

The Images of Nature gallery explores how artists and scientists view the natural world through historic prints, watercolours and modern images.

This combination of old and new will be mirrored in your event. Guests will arrive through the modern Darwin Centre entrance, pass by the fascinating Spirit Collection area, then enter the Images of Nature gallery. The traditional Waterhouse architecture provides a beautiful and intimate setting for the rest of the evening.

Capacity

Dinner: 80

Reception: 150



Whale Hall

Guests will arrive through the modern Darwin Centre entrance; pass by the fascinating Spirit Collection area before moving through to enjoy an evening in the awe-inspiring Mammal Hall. A showcase of skeletons and specimen from across the globe, including a life-size model of a blue whale suspended from the ceiling will create an inspiring and unforgettable evening.

Capacity

Dinner: 40

Reception: 150



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Daytime Events

With its tiered theatre-style seating and excellent audio-visual facilities, the Flett Events Theatre is the ideal location for your daytime conference.

A large foyer connected to the theatre offers the perfect space for break out activities and refreshments.

Capacity

Theatre style: 200



Enhance Your Event

Temporary Exhibitions

The exciting and constantly changing topics explored in the Museum's temporary exhibitions will captivate your guests and provide a wonderful addition to your event. Guests can also enjoy a private view of the hugely popular *Wildlife Photographer of the Year* exhibition, an annual exhibit that guests return to year after year.

Science Talks and Tours

The Natural History Museum's world-class scientists are on hand to inspire guests with talks on the people and specimens behind the Museum's pioneering work and gallery tours ensure your guests have a truly unforgettable experience.

Testimonials

‘The event ran amazingly well with all the different suppliers on board. Our guests were amazed by the venue and how fantastic the evening ran. Many a comment on it not being your average black tie charity do! Thank you so much to all involved, I couldn’t be more grateful.’

Eight Wealth Management, Dinner Dance for 200 people in Hintze Hall, May 2018

‘The team of people were all incredibly and worked so well together. Nothing slipped, nothing was missed and no request was too small. We would definitely work with all of these suppliers again!’

Ares Management, Dinner for 200 in Hintze Hall, May 2018

‘Perfect venue for sure. Everyone was super impressed not sure how we’ll ever top this venue at a new Christmas party.’

Ebury Partners, Earth Hall Christmas Party for 150 people, December 2018

Support

Why host your event at the Natural History Museum?

The dedicated Venue Hire team has a wealth of experience hosting prestigious dinners and receptions, and many of our clients come back to us every year.

By hosting an event at the Natural History Museum, you are directly supporting the Museum’s pioneering scientific work and helping us to keep admission free. We have won a range of accolades for our environmentally friendly practices and consider our impact in everything we do.

Accredited Suppliers

Suppliers

The Museum has a range of event suppliers who are accredited to provide services for every element of your event. Each supplier has been specially selected for their quality and to suit a range of budgets.

The Venue Hire team are on hand to help you choose the suppliers who is best for you.



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