

# Transport

## The Maythorn

When you book your wedding reception at Layer Marney Tower you have the use of a 1931 Rolls Royce 20/25 hp four door limousine, with coachwork by Maythorn and Son of Bedfordshire.

The Maythorn is chauffeur driven and can comfortably seat two or three adults in the main rear seat. It can also seat a further three children or adults using the two occasional seats and chauffeur's compartment. We strongly recommend that your journey time is limited to 30 minutes or a 20 mile radius of Layer Marney Tower.



If you decide to have both your ceremony and reception at Layer Marney Tower, you can enjoy a short drive in the time available between events. Upon your return you will be greeted by your guests for your reception.

With uniformed chauffeur and conservative yet well proportioned coachwork, the Maythorn offers a unique opportunity to enjoy the very best of the past. The magnificent coachwork is finished in black over red, with the Spirit of Ecstasy gracing the famous Rolls Royce Radiator. There is red cloth upholstery to the rear, and black leather to the chauffeur's compartment. A sliding glass partition isolates the chauffeur, though communication may also be conducted through the intercom.

Considered by many as the jewel of pre war Rolls Royce models, the 20/25 hp uses the 3669cc cross flow version of the Rolls Royce six-cylinder overhead-valve engine. The resulting ride combines smoothness, silence and a small degree of performance. In the earlier days of motoring it was customary for the bodywork of a vehicle to be completed by a different company to that which built the running gear. The chassis for this motor was built by Rolls Royce in November 1930 for £1,185, and was despatched on November 25th by LNE goods train to Maythorns. Final tests on the finished car was conducted on the 14th January at Maythorns. Sir Julian Cahn, from near Loughborough, was the first owner of this vehicle. There were a host of additional fittings detailed, which in all brought the price of the car up to £1739-16s-0d.