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#### AT MERCURE THIS CHRISTMAS

MERCURE BANBURY WHATELY HALL HOTEL



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## EVENT DIARY

#### NOVEMBER

GLITTER BALL Friday 24th and Saturday 25th

#### DECEMBER

#### **FESTIVE LUNCH & DINNER**

Daily from Friday 1st to Thursday 23rd

GLITTER BALL From Friday 1st to Friday 22nd

CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH Monday 25th

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY Sunday 31st

#### **JANUARY 2018**

POST-CHRISTMAS BLUES BASH Throughout January 2018!

### MAKE IT SPECIAL, MAKE IT SPARKLING CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS WITH MERCURE

We've a glittering selection of ideas for your perfect Christmas. Whether you're looking for a relaxing short break, mouthwatering festive menus with all the trimmings, or sparkling nights of fun celebrations with friends or colleagues – make sure you shine with Mercure.

Mercure Banbury Whately Hall Hotel offers a perfect background for a traditional Christmas. Step inside the historic 17th century hotel and you will be greeted by a hotel full of individual character, from the stunning oak-panelled Swift restaurant to the wonderfully relaxing Horton bar and lounge with open fires. Relax and unwind while we look after every detail from peeling the potatoes to chilling the Champagne. There really is something for everyone and we look forward to welcoming you.

#### **NEW FOR 2018!**

Why not beat the post-Christmas blues with a Glitter Ball in January?





## A TIME TO SPARKLE

#### From the decor in the hall to the Prosecco in your glass, look forward to a shimmering, glittering time this Christmas.

We offer parties in three different rooms: Swift party nights in the oak-panelled restaurant with our DJ and a three-course meal served at the table; our Berkeley Room offers quieter surroundings to enjoy the same meal then join in with the dancing in the adjacent restaurant; or Glitter Balls in our Parkside Suite with DJ and meal.

### **GLITTER BALL MENU** SWIFT AND BERKELEY

#### **TO START**

Cured duck and fig terrine Apple and prune chutney, toasted rustic bread

#### OR

Roast sweet potato and carrot soup (v) Rosemary cream, sourdough croutons

#### OR

Twice-baked cheese soufflé (v) Mulled red onions, candied walnuts

#### MAINS

Roast turkey Duck fat-roasted potatoes, festive stuffing, pork chipolata, maple-roasted vegetables, gravy

#### OR

**Grilled cod loin** Crushed potatoes, prawn and mascarpone sauce

#### OR

Leek, mushroom and Stilton tart (v) Chestnut and brioche crumb

#### DESSERTS

Traditional Christmas pudding Brandy sauce

#### OR

Salted chocolate délice Crème caramel, raspberry cream

#### OR

Caramel panna cotta Ginger cake, walnut crumble

Party starts: 7.30pm | Dinner served: 8pm | Last orders: 12.30am (Fri-Sat) • 11pm (Sun-Thurs) Entertainment finishes: 12.30am (Fri-Sat) | Carriages: 1am | Dress code: smart, dress to impress



### **GLITTER BALL MENU** PARKSIDE SUITE

#### **TO START**

Cured duck and fig terrine Apple and prune chutney, toasted rustic bread

#### OR

Roast sweet potato and carrot soup (v) Rosemary cream, sourdough croutons

#### OR

Twice-baked cheese soufflé (v) Mulled red onions, candied walnuts

#### MAINS

Roast turkey Duck fat-roasted potatoes, festive stuffing, pork chipolata, maple-roasted vegetables, gravy

#### OR

**Grilled cod loin** Crushed potatoes, prawn and mascarpone sauce

#### OR

Leek, mushroom and Stilton tart (v) Chestnut and brioche crumb

#### DESSERTS

Traditional Christmas pudding Brandy sauce

#### OR

Salted chocolate délice Crème caramel, raspberry cream

#### OR

Caramel panna cotta Ginger cake, walnut crumble

Party starts: 7pm | Dinner served: 7.30pm | Last orders: 12 midnight (Fri-Sat) Entertainment finishes: midnight | Carriages: 12.30am | Dress code: smart, dress to impress



## GLITTER BALL PARTY DATES

#### NOVEMBER

Friday 24th and Saturday 25th in Swift restaurant **£27.00** per person

#### DECEMBER

Friday 1st and Saturday 2nd Swift restaurant / Berkeley Room **£35.00** per person / **£30.00** per person Parkside Suite **£30.00** per person

Sunday to Thursday in Swift restaurant (party until 11pm) £30.00 per person (based on minimum 40 guests)

Fridays and Saturdays (excluding 24th) Swift restaurant / Berkeley Room or Parkside Suite £40.00 per person / £35.00 per person

#### JANUARY

Post-Christmas Blues Bash £22.00 per person

Private parties available on request. A £10.00 deposit per person is required at the time of booking.

### FESTIVE OFFERS

It's the season of giving! Here are some fantastic offers that are sure to add even more sparkle to your celebrations.

#### ACCOUNT BAR

Avoid queuing by setting up an account bar for a hassle-free festive party.

#### MAKE A NIGHT OF IT

Make a night of your celebrations and spend the night with us. Rooms start from **£60.00** per room excluding breakfast.

#### JOIN A PARTY

An evening of entertainment and festive food to the colourful backdrop of our Glitter Ball.

#### FESTIVE DRINKS PACKAGES

Have your drinks waiting for you at your table, saving time and money.



### FESTIVE LUNCHES AND DINNERS

#### Take your place at our table for a fantastic feast of festive flavours in the run-up to the big day.

Our delicious, three-course, festive-themed menus will be served in our restaurant throughout November and December. As well as magnificent menus, enjoy the warmest of welcomes from our staff and great surroundings. Whether it's with friends, family or colleagues, we guarantee a great time – and the best bit, no washing up!

#### **TO START**

Twice-baked cheese soufflé (v) Mulled red onions, candied walnuts

#### OR

Roast sweet potato and carrot soup (v) Rosemary cream, sourdough croutons

#### MAINS

Roast turkey Duck fat-roasted potatoes, festive stuffing, pork chipolata, maple-roasted vegetables, gravy

#### OR

Grilled plaice fillet Roast roots, crispy kale, caper nut-brown butter

#### OR

Leek, mushroom and Stilton tart (v) Chestnut and brioche crumb

#### DESSERTS

Traditional Christmas pudding Brandy sauce

#### OR

Salted chocolate délice Crème caramel, raspberry cream

#### THROUGHOUT NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

From **£22.00** per person for three courses Children (3-12) **£10.00**, under-2s eat **FREE** 

Include tea or coffee after your meal for only £2.00 per person.

Pre-booking is required: please call 01295 253261 – choose option 2 to book direct with the Events Office.

## FESTIVE BREAKS

Take a few days and relax in gorgeous surroundings on a Mercure festive break.

Relax in comfortable surroundings as our team of dedicated staff look after your every whim this Christmas. Whether there are two of you or the whole family, we've something for everyone to enjoy with our fantastic festive period.

### **THREE-NIGHT STAY**

SUNDAY 24TH TO WEDNESDAY 27TH DECEMBER

**£315.00** per person based on double occupancy per twin or double room.

Single supplement of £20.00 per night applies.

### **TWO-NIGHT STAY**

SUNDAY 24TH TO TUESDAY 26TH OR MONDAY 25TH TO WEDNESDAY 27TH DECEMBER

**£220.00** per person based on double occupancy per twin or double room.

Single supplement of £20.00 per night applies.

Packages include meals and entertainment as stated. Room upgrades available from £20.00 per night for an Executive Room.

### BED & BREAKFAST

#### MONDAY 18TH DECEMBER TO SATURDAY 30TH DECEMBER

From £100.00 bed and breakfast per room based on double or twin occupancy. Single rooms are available from £90.00.

Room upgrades available from **£20.00** per night for an Executive Room.

Full payment required at the time of booking.



## ITINERARY

#### CHRISTMAS EVE

Arrive and enjoy a traditional afternoon tea, then join in with carol singers around the open fire from 6pm to 7pm with a glass of Buck's Fizz. Celebrate midnight mass at St Mary's, with mulled wine and mince pies upon return.

#### **CHRISTMAS DAY**

Open your presents and wander down for a hearty English breakfast, then enjoy a stroll around Banbury working up an appetite for Christmas Day lunch. Relax in the afternoon and join us for The Queen's Speech and a slice of Christmas cake, followed by a game of bingo and a Guess the Weight of the Christmas Cake competition. In the evening a light buffet will be served in the restaurant.

#### **BOXING DAY**

Start the day with a full English breakfast, or treat yourselves and enjoy breakfast in bed. The day is yours to do as you please before returning for a delicious three-course meal and evening entertainment.

#### WEDNESDAY 27TH DECEMBER

Set yourself up for the journey home with a hearty breakfast before departing at your leisure. We wish you well for 2018!

## **CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH**

Join us for a scrumptious three-course Christmas lunch with all the trimmings.

Bar opens: 11.30am | Lunch served: from 12.30pm to 2.30pm Dress code: smart and festive

#### **TO START**

Salmon gravadlax Beetroot carpaccio, vodka and dill dressing

#### OR

Smoked duck Radish and sesame seed salad, pickled ginger and lime dressing

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Wild mushroom and celeriac soup (v) Truffle oil, herbs

#### OR

Twice-baked cheese soufflé (v) Mulled red onions, candied walnuts

#### MAINS

Roast beetroot and butternut squash Wellington (v) Braised chicory and kale pesto

#### OR

Roast sirloin of beef Fondant potato, confit shallots, roast Chantenay carrots, red wine reduction

#### OR

Roast sea bass Queen scallops, cauliflower purée, crispy shallots, lemon butter

#### OR

#### Roast turkey

Duck fat-roasted potatoes, festive stuffing, pork chipolata, maple-roasted vegetables, gravy

#### DESSERTS

Cheeses from the British Isles and beyond Chutney, savoury biscuits

#### OR

Dark chocolate tart Praline crumb, passion fruit sauce

#### OR

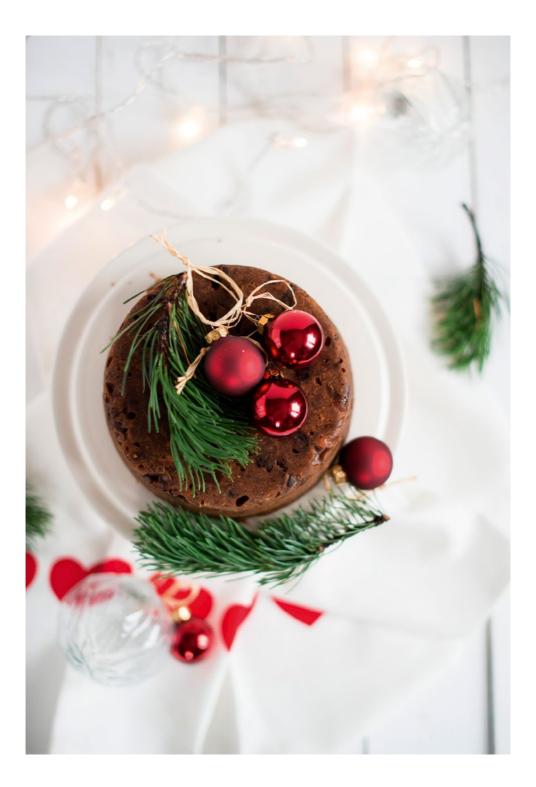
Lemon meringue dome Winter-spiced fruits

#### OR

Traditional Christmas pudding Brandy sauce

£69.99 per adult £30.00 per child (4-13), under-3s eat FREE

A deposit of £20.00 per person is required at the time of booking.



### NEW YEAR'S EVE MURDER MYSTERY!

Count down to the New Year in style and join us for a spine-chilling night of murder, courtesy of The Killing Game, a leading provider of high-quality, interactive murder mystery evenings.

Watch the scenes unfold, chat to the characters and then interrogate the surviving suspects after the murder has occurred. Then submit your answer form with who you think the murderer is – there's a prize for the best answer.

Once the mystery's solved, you'll have the opportunity to dance the night away at our disco before retiring to your room. With fun, mystery and great memories guaranteed, this will be the perfect way to start 2017! Join our murder mystery New Year's Eve and enjoy:

- ★ A welcome drink on arrival
- \* A scrumptious New Year's Eve dinner
- \* An intriguing murder mystery with professional actors
  - ★ A fabulous party until 1am
  - \* Overnight accommodation and breakfast

Prices are **£175.00** per person for a one-night stay and **£225.00** per person for a two-night stay (based on two people sharing a double or twin room). Single room supplements apply.

For more information or to book, contact The Killing Game on 03300 882851 or visit their website: www.killinggame.co.uk.

Only bookable via The Killing Game

## WINTER WEDDINGS

Often described as the most romantic season, winter is the perfect time for a wedding.

With selected dates available from November 2017 to February 2018, our winter wedding package includes:

- Red carpet on arrival
- One glass of punch on arrival
- Three-course wedding breakfast for 40 guests
  - A glass of wine each with your meal
  - An evening finger buffet for 70 guests

• Our resident DJ

- White linen
- Master of Ceremonies
- Cake knife and stand
- Room hire for your wedding breakfast and evening buffet

#### WINTER WEDDINGS FROM £2,999

Package based on 40 day guests and 70 evening guests. Additional day guests charged at **£49.00** and additional evening guests **£19.00**.

Please contact our dedicated wedding planner on 01295 253261 or email h6633-sb@accor.com



For more information on our festive events and offers please contact us on:

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