

Just Married

Jenny & Rob Kelly

Happy couple Rob Kelly and Jenny O'Mahony tied the knot in spring of this year in a vintage pink and ivory themed wedding at the beautiful Gaynes Park, Epping. We caught up with them to talk proposals in Russia, favourite flowers and capturing that very particular old English romance.

Tell us how Rob popped the question?

Jenny: Rob proposed on Christmas Eve in Red Square, Moscow. I had an inkling that he had plans afoot though I hadn't expected it to be then and the setting was beautiful!

How romantic. Tell us about Gaynes Park?

Jenny: We found Gaynes Park by researching civil ceremony venues in Hertfordshire and Essex. I fell in love with the place from the brochures and was immediately sold when we saw it. The quality of the food was also a huge bonus and I have had so many people tell me that the meal was the best wedding food they've ever had.

How and why did you choose it?

Jenny: I love the Victorian walled garden and all the views across the countryside. Then for the reception we loved the intimate feel of the Mill Barn. Even though we had 120 guests, the wedding didn't feel too big or too crowded. The layout is also great for keeping people together. The tree trunks are great for decoration and the fairy lights on the mezzanine just give the barn a lovely atmosphere.

Tell us about the gown?

Jenny: The dress was a made to measure Mirror Mirror Couture design and I was fitted by Jane, the founder of Mirror Mirror.

Very romantic, from the photos we are noticing a trend...

Jenny: The theme we chose was Old English Romantic. For this we had a vintage pink and ivory colour theme, a vintage luggage tag motif and a harpist.

This seemed to be reflected in the choice of flowers as well?

Jenny: I knew immediately when we got engaged that I would use roses, which are my favourite flowers, for the wedding. Marion at Poppy's Flowers was brilliant to work with. She created a pink hand-tied bouquet of roses with lace trim for me and ivory hand-tied bouquets with the same trim for my bridesmaids.

As for the day, did you have a favourite part?

Jenny: The meal and dancing were definitely the best parts of the day. The atmosphere in the Mill Barn is lovely after dark.

Finally, do you have any advice for those with upcoming nuptials?

Rob: We chose to have a sweetheart table where Jenny and I sat by ourselves in the middle of the room. This worked very well for us as it meant we got to chat to each other but also get up and chat to people as we wanted, without having to worry about abandoning people on our table.

Bride's Dress: Mirror Mirror Bridal www.mirrormirror.uk.com. **Bride's Accessories:** (Veil, tiara, headpiece, shoes etc) - Mirror Mirror Bridal www.mirrormirror.uk.com. **Groom's Suit:** Tailormade at A Suit That Fits www.asuitthatfits.com. **Bridesmaid's Dresses:** Dessy. **Wedding Rings:** Bride's ring was my grandmother's ring - a simple gold band. The groom's ring was from Beaverbrooks. **Cake:** www.marksandspencer.com. **Flowers:** Poppy's Flowers. **Photography:** Sam Kesteven www.kestevenphotography.co.uk. **Invitations:** Groom's printers. **Disco/DJ:** Lovelight. **Musicians:** Sheila Watts, harpist www.harp4u.co.uk. **Venue:** Gaynes Park - www.gaynespark.co.uk.

