Set in the heart of the dreaming spires, the Bodleian Libraries is a historic venue steeped in romance and elegance. The Bodleian dates back to 1488, with its very first 300 books donated by Humphrey, Duke of Gloucester. Over the last 400 years the library has expanded and now holds over 12 million printed items and special collections, making it one of the most notorious libraries in the world.

The library now offers its grandest rooms for private hire, giving couples the chance to enjoy these spectacular spaces on the most special day of their lives. Whether a small and intimate ceremony, or a jubilant celebration with all of your friends and family, the Bodleian Libraries will provide the most magnificent backdrop to your wedding day.

“The architecture speaks for itself”
Alex & Henry (August 2018)
About the rooms

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“It was just a joy to be in the space!”
Will & Katie (July 2017)
Room Plans

Divinity School

- Ceremony Theatre Style
  - 120 Guests

- College Style Seating
  - 120 Guests

- Seated Dinner
  - 120 Guests
  - 12 Tables

- Wren Door Entrance

Old Bodleian Library

- Sheldonian Court
  - When Door Entrance
  - Divinity School

- Chancellor's Court
  - When Door Entrance
  - Old Schools Quad

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