



### Kate and James' Tipi Wedding

Kate and James popped into The Hanging Lantern Company showroom one sunny weekend in June 2012 with some beautiful satin ribbons as the starting point for their wedding décor.



*They knew they wanted a unique style of marquee and had narrowed their choice down to a tipi or a capri tent.*



*Our hanging lantern specialist, Aimee, used these ribbon colours to generate a suggested wedding lantern palette incorporating pink, purple, green, yellow and cream paper lanterns.*

We supplied Kate and James with some paper lantern samples in our suggested colours so they could take them to their venue viewings to help decide on the final colours and marquee type. Both were torn but Kate made the final decision and booked the tipi as felt it would better suit their relaxed, whimsical, garden wedding pencilled in for Sunday 24th March 2013.

Kate and James were very determined to include a lot of their most loved ideas into their tipi marquee wedding so started with our colourful paper lanterns. The tipi was a mustard yellow colour so this shade was dropped from the wedding lantern suggestion. To ensure that their hanging lanterns matched with Kate's flowers and the ribbons we all agreed it was best to mix bright hanging lanterns with softer, pastel coloured hanging lanterns to keep the overall effect soft.

Satin ribbons, English meadow flowers and homemade table centrepieces were all sourced locally or hand made by Kate, James and their friends. James picked the



table names with them being 'once in a lifetime destinations we had been lucky enough to visit on our travels before we had to start saving for a house and a wedding'!

Kate's Mum and sister hung the wedding lanterns the day before the wedding, with the bridal couple settling on a small quantity





but a huge variety of different sized wedding lanterns that were hung as a feature down the centre of the tipi.

The Mother of the Bride said 'we wanted the coloured lanterns to draw Kate and James' guest's eyes from wherever they were sitting in the tipi to the head table, we choose a smaller number of paper lanterns as Kate wanted so many other pretty details we didn't want to overwhelm the tipi with décor'.

Kate and James ran off after their vows to have lots of pretty wedding photos taken in their tipi and in the surrounding grounds, only once they were ready were their guests allowed to join them for champagne, cake and dancing under the stars.



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