

MERCERS' HALL

A HISTORIC EVENTS VENUE IN THE CITY OF LONDON



THE
MERCERS'
COMPANY

LIVERY COMPANIES

Livery companies were originally trade or craft guilds. They were established in the middle ages to represent the interests of their members within the City of London. The term livery refers to robes worn by senior members on ceremonial occasions.

Mercers were merchants who exported English woollens and imported luxury fabrics such as silks, velvets and fine linens.

Livery companies are ranked in order of ceremonial precedence, established in 1515/16. The Mercers' Company is ranked number one. Today there are 110 Companies in the City of London, many of them founded since 1945.

A Historic Venue

The Mercers' Company was formally incorporated in 1394 by a royal Charter granted by Richard II. The Company was a trade guild representing the interests of members who exported woollens and imported silks, velvets, fine linens and other luxury fabrics. Richard Whittington, William Caxton and Sir Thomas Gresham were among the early members of the Company.

The City of London's processional thoroughfare of Cheapside has been the Mercers' home since the 14th century when they held their meetings in a monastery founded on the site of the

birthplace of Thomas Becket. The first Hall, completed in 1524, was built next to the monastery facing onto Cheapside.

The present Mercers' Hall is the third to occupy the site. When Henry VIII dissolved the monastery in 1538 the Mercers' Company purchased all its properties. The first Hall was burned to the ground in the Great Fire of London in 1666. The second Hall, built directly on the site of the monastery itself, was destroyed by enemy action in 1941. The present third Hall opened in 1958.

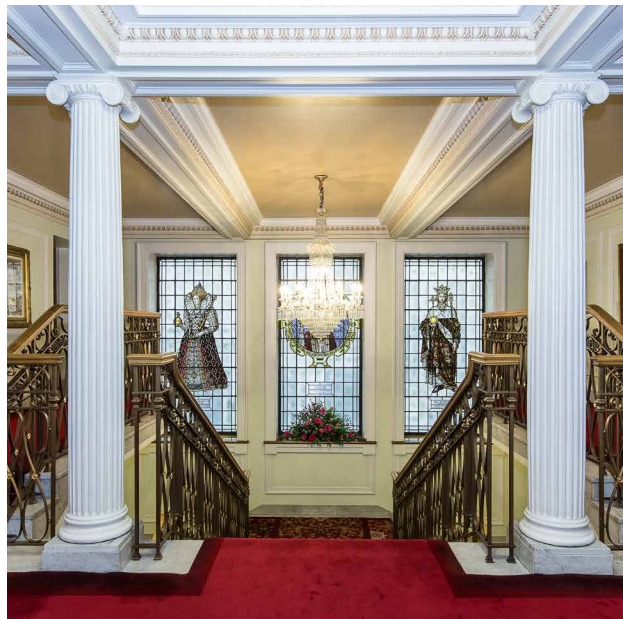


Event Spaces at Mercers' Hall

MERCERS' HALL HAS SIX ROOMS LOCATED ACROSS THREE FLOORS

Mercers' Hall provides a unique backdrop for a wide range of events. Each of the elegantly decorated rooms is used regularly by the Mercers' Company for its business and functions and so reflects the Company's style and long history. Rooms are traditional in feel but have modern amenities. We are extremely proud of our highly skilled team who delivers the exceptional service expected by our members and guests.

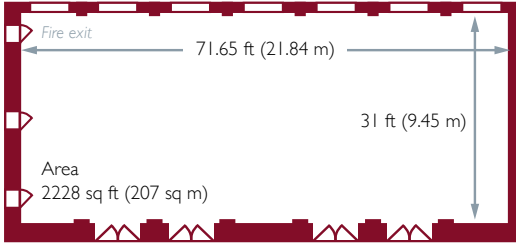
Mercers' Hall can cater for large events such as conferences up to 140 guests, dinners up to 156 guests and receptions up to 200 guests as well as concerts, lectures and award presentations. The Hall also accommodates a wide variety of smaller events such as meetings, roundtables, breakfasts, lunches, high teas and many others. WIFI is available throughout the Hall and all rooms are air conditioned. There is full disabled access.





The Livery Hall

Featuring stained glass windows, wood panelled walls, a minstrel's gallery and sparkling chandeliers, the Livery Hall is perfect for elegant banquets as well as an impressive setting for conferences and other large events. It can be set up in a variety of layouts to suit your requirements.



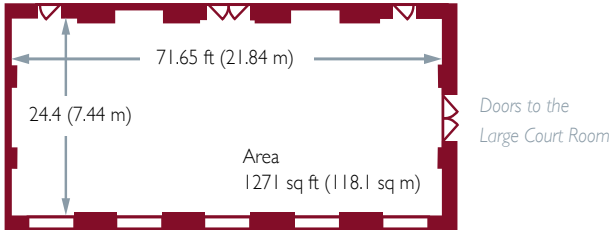
Capacity chart

Standing Canapé Reception	200
Standing Buffet	200
Banquet (Top Table and Sprigs)	156
Theatre	140
Cabaret (On Rectangular Tables)	112
Boardroom	N/A



The Court Dining Room

This mahogany-panelled room features large windows which flood it with light during the day. It is a versatile space which is ideal for sit-down meals, buffets or drinks receptions.



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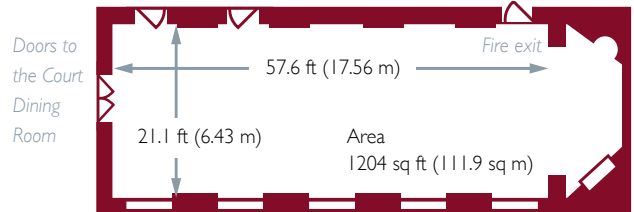
Standing Canapé Reception	100
Standing Buffet	80
Banquet (Closed U-Shape)	69
Theatre	50
Cabaret (On Rectangular Tables)	45
Boardroom	32





The Large Court Room

The Large Court Room is a bright and spacious area with a fireplace at one end. It is located next to the Court Dining Room and can be used for meetings. A connecting door between the two rooms means it can provide additional space for larger events.



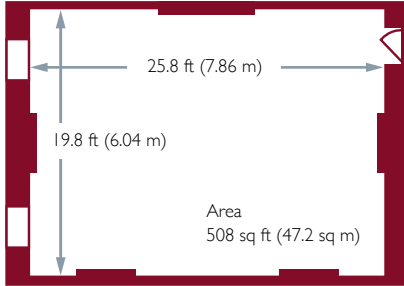
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Standing Canapé Reception	100
Standing Buffet	80
Banquet (Top Table and Sprigs)	60
Theatre	50
Cabaret (On Rectangular Tables)	45
Boardroom	32



The Small Court Room

The warm and cosy atmosphere of the Small Court Room, which features white sycamore panelling, offers an ideal setting for more intimate events.



Capacity chart

Standing Canapé Reception	20
Standing Buffet	N/A
Banquet (One Round Table)	12
Theatre	N/A
Cabaret (On Rectangular Tables)	N/A
Boardroom	14



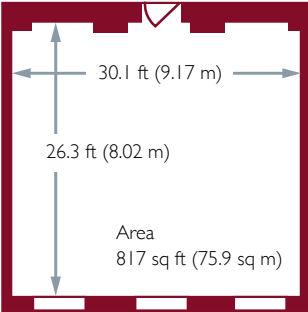
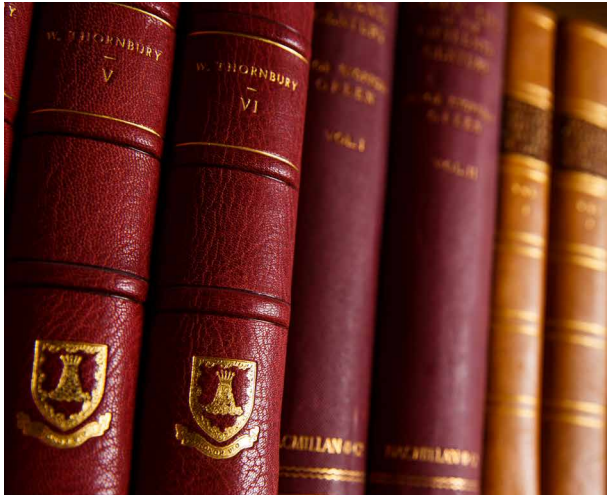
The Library

The Library on the second floor is suitable for meetings. Sofas and armchairs provide a comfortable area to relax during breaks. Light or cold refreshment can be served.



Capacity chart

Standing Canapé Reception	25
Standing Buffet	25
Banquet (Top Table and Sprigs)	N/A
Theatre	N/A
Cabaret (On Rectangular Tables)	N/A
Boardroom	18

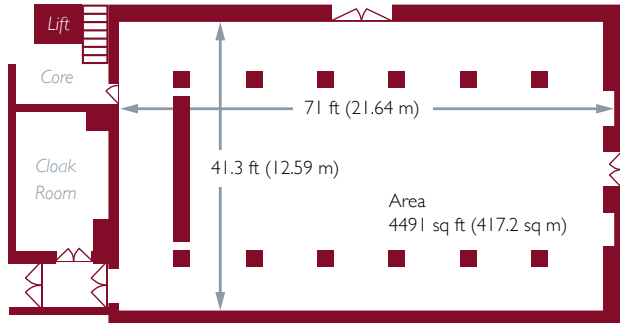


The Ambulatory

This bright and open space on the ground floor next to the Chapel is a perfect setting for drinks receptions.

Capacity chart

Standing Canapé Reception	200
Standing Buffet	N/A
Banquet (Top Table and Sprigs)	N/A
Theatre	100
Cabaret (On Rectangular Tables)	N/A
Boardroom	18



The Ceremonial Stairs and Hallway

The grand ceremonial staircase leads from the entrance to the main hallway on the first floor. The three stained glass windows on the landing were part of a scheme designed for the second Hall by the Crace Brothers in 1880-81. After that Hall was destroyed by enemy action in 1941, the surviving glass was incorporated into the third Hall and can also be seen in the windows of the Livery Hall.



Bespoke Menus

ALL MENUS ARE BESPOKE TO MEET
YOUR INDIVIDUAL REQUIREMENTS

Our approach to cooking is simple: to let the excellence of the ingredients shine and be the star on the plate. We source the finest ingredients from a range of British suppliers with an emphasis on seasonality, for example Texel lamb from Cornwall in the spring and Essex grouse in the autumn.



Location Information

Mercers' Hall,
Ironmonger Lane,
London EC2V 8HE



Public Transport

Bank		3 min walk
Mansion House		4 min walk
Cannon Street		5 min walk
Moorgate		7 min walk
Liverpool Street		11 min walk
Blackfriars		16 min walk
Fenchurch Street		16 min walk
Buses	8, 11, 21, 23, 25, 26, 43, 76, 141, 242	

