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Alba Bagpipes

Professional Scottish Entertainment

MULTI AWARD WINNER

Wedding Brochure

Traditional Scottish Entertainment for Your Special Day



Professional ♥ Reliable ♥ Award Winning

Making Your Wedding

TRULY UNFORGETTABLE

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INTRODUCTION



Alba Bagpipes is a multi-award-winning Scottish entertainment company headquartered in the North East of Scotland, with established connections and performers available throughout all areas of Scotland. We specialise in exceptional traditional and contemporary wedding music, creating unforgettable moments with the iconic sound of the Great Highland Bagpipe.

With the largest selection of professional pipers, side drummers, tenor drummers and Highland dancers in the region, our musicians and dancers include championship-winning performers holding World, European, UK, British, and Scottish titles. Our team also proudly includes a Guinness World Record–holding bagpiper, alongside performers who regularly appear with internationally renowned acts such as The Red Hot Chilli Pipers and at prestigious events including the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. We are also the trusted entertainment provider for the Port of Aberdeen, welcoming and performing for thousands of passengers arriving into the city each year.

We offer unique, modern wedding entertainment, including bagpipes performed alongside professional backing tracks for a powerful contemporary sound. From Summer 2026, our live music options will expand to include Highland and smallpipes performing with guitar, violin, and piano for daytime celebrations, as well as a high-energy Red Hot Chilli Pipers-style wedding evening band featuring a professional singer, live band, and bagpipers to keep your dance floor full.

Trusted by hundreds of couples, international guests, and distinguished clients, Alba Bagpipes guarantees unforgettable Scottish entertainment, making your wedding truly extraordinary.

WEDDING PACKAGES

BONNIE WELCOME

DAY PACKAGE

- Pipe 40 minutes for guests arriving
- Pipe for the arrival of the wedding party
- Pipe during the procession (Down the aisle)

EVENING PACKAGE

- Pipe 40 minutes for guests arriving
- Pipe the couple into evening reception

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PRE CEREMONY PACKAGE

- Pipe for 40 minutes as guests arrive
- Pipe for the arrival of the wedding party
- Pipe during the procession (Down the aisle)
- Pipe during the signing of the register
- Pipe the couple back up the aisle
- Pipe during the confetti moment
- Pipe for 20 minutes following the ceremony

POST CEREMONY PACKAGE

- Pipe for 20 minutes after the ceremony
- Pipe during the confetti shot
- Pipe intermittently during the drinks reception
- Pipe the top table into the wedding meal
- Pipe the couple to the top table
- Recite the Piper's Toast

HIGHLAND HOUR

DRINKS RECEPTION ONLY

- Pipe for 1 hour during the drinks reception (Select Beginning Time)

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EVENING PACKAGE

- Pipe 40 minutes for guests arriving
- Pipe the couple into evening reception
- Pipe the Grand March

Additional Performers

Additional performers can be hired individually to perform alongside your Alba Bagpiper. Options include extra pipers, side drummers, tenor drummers, and Highland dancers, all of whom can perform at almost any point during the piper's performance to add a unique and memorable touch to your wedding entertainment. Further details can be found on page 11.

Small Pipes

Small pipes are subject to availability but usually are available. They are no louder than an acoustic guitar and are perfect for the procession and the signing of the register.

Wedding Packages

Highland Fling

- Pipe for 40 minutes as guests arrive
- Pipe the arrival of the wedding party
- Pipe during the procession (Down the aisle)
- Pipe during the signing of the register
- Pipe the couple back up the aisle
- Pipe during the confetti moment
- Pipe for 20 minutes following the ceremony
- If required Pipe guests as they arrive at 2nd venue
- Pipe intermittently during the drinks reception
- Pipe the top table into the wedding meal
- Pipe the couple to the top table
- Recite the Piper's Toast





Full Scottish

- Pipe for 40 minutes as guests arrive
- Pipe the arrival of the wedding party
- Pipe during the procession (Down the aisle)
- Pipe during the signing of the register
- Pipe the couple back up the aisle
- Pipe during the confetti moment
- Pipe for 20 minutes following the ceremony
- If required Pipe guests as they arrive at 2nd venue
- Pipe intermittently during the drinks reception
- Pipe the top table into the wedding meal
- Pipe the couple to the top table
- Recite the Piper's Toast
- Pipe 40 minutes for guests arriving
- Pipe the couple into evening reception
- Pipe the Grand March

Tailor-Made Packages

All packages can be fully tailored to suit your special day. Our online booking form lets you choose exactly what you want, and up to one month before your wedding you can amend, upgrade, or downgrade your package, giving you complete flexibility and control. The online booking form can be found on page 20.

SPECIAL OFFERS

GUEST ARRIVAL SPECIAL OFFER £250

DAY PACKAGE

- Piper & Drummer Perform 40 minutes for guests arriving
- Piper & Drummer Perform for the arrival of the wedding party
- Piper & Drummer Perform during the procession (Down the aisle)

EVENING PACKAGE

- Piper & Drummer Perform 40 minutes for guests arriving
- Piper & Drummer Perform for the couple walking into evening reception



REFER A FRIEND - £20 VOUCHER

When you share Alba Bagpipes with friends or family, it truly means the world to us. As a thank-you, we will send you a £20 M&S or Amazon voucher for every successful referral.

Here's how it works in 5 easy steps:

Tell your friends or family about Alba Bagpipes.
Give them your unique code (see below).
Ask them to book one of our standard wedding packages.
Make sure they share your code when they first get in touch with us.
Check out our T&Cs on our website for the full details.

Unique Code
Your Unique Code – Surname + Wedding Date
Example: EVANS-04062016





WEDDING SUPPLIERS DISCOUNTS & OFFERS

To mark our Crystal Anniversary in 2025, we partnered with some of the finest wedding suppliers across the North East of Scotland to bring you exclusive discounts and offers. These are designed to help you save on everything from cakes and dresses to flowers and entertainment.

How It Works:

1. Book your piper with Alba Bagpipes and pay your £30 deposit.
2. Receive a unique code to use when contacting any of our featured wedding suppliers.
3. Enjoy your special offer or discount from your chosen supplier. Please note that each supplier has their own Terms and Conditions for their specific offer.

Important Notice:
All wedding suppliers are independent of Alba Bagpipes.
Alba Bagpipes is not associated with any of the listed suppliers.
All offers are subject to change.

Below is just a sample of the offers available. To view all offers, Scan the QR Code above or visit - albabagpipes.com/supplier-discounts-offers

Ceilidh Band £75 Off Any Booking	Cake 10% Off Any Booking	Dog Services 10% Off Basic Package
Photobooth £50 Off Selected Bookings	Content Creator 10% Off Content Package	Wedding Singer 15% Off All Packages
Ponies £250 Off Confetti Ponies	Décor 10% Off Any Booking	Magician 15% Off All Packages
Fireworks Free Sparklers For All Guests	Flowers 20% Off All Packages	Photography 20% Off All Packages
Stationery 10% Off Wedding Invitations	Transport 20% Off All Packages	Videography 20% Off All Packages

OUR TEAM

Our ensemble features a distinguished lineup of over 20 pipers, with around 20% able to perform in full No. 1 dress. Our standard uniform is the traditional kilt, waistcoat and jacket, though military dress can be requested at no extra cost (subject to availability). In addition, we have 8 side drummers, 5 tenor drummers and more than 20 Highland dancers offering a rich variety of performance options.



To view our full team, visit:
albabagpipes.com/north-team
or Scan the QR Code

GIVING BACK

OUR 2026 CHARITY CAMPAIGN

We are proud supporters of local charities. Each year, we donate £5 from every wedding booking made between January and November into a dedicated annual fund, which is then shared equally with local charitable organisations within our community.

For 2026 we are supporting the following local charities

SCOTTISH SPCA

ABER Necessities

Friends of ANCHOR

PREVIOUS CHARITY CAMPAIGN 2025

Mrs Murray's Cat & Dog Home

The Archie Foundation
We're here for you

MAGGIE'S
Everyone's home of cancer care







£465 RAISED

None of this would be possible without the support of our wonderful couples. We would be honoured to exceed our 2025 fundraising total, and we can only achieve this with your continued support.

To view our previous charity campaigns and see how we have proudly raised over £8,000 for charitable causes, please visit albabagpipes.com/charity-campaigns

WHY CHOOSE A PIPER?

It would be easy for us to appear biased by saying that no wedding in Scotland is complete without a bagpiper, but this sentiment is not far from the truth. While some people claim they do not enjoy the sound of bagpipes, this is often based on limited exposure, typically hearing them played by street performers in busy city centres which can misrepresent how the pipes should truly sound when performed by a professional bagpiper.

But don't just take our word for it. Below is a small selection of feedback from couples who have experienced our piping first hand on their wedding day.

Mr & Mrs Roberts
(08.11.25)
Logie Country House

So professional and was one thing we had no concerns about on the day! Guests (especially our English guests) commented on how brilliant Matthew was and how great it was hearing bagpipes being played.

Mr & Mrs Kelletts
(16.08.23)
Glen Tanar

The bagpipes really were the perfect start to our day. The team were so professional & obviously very talented. Honestly couldn't recommend Alba Bagpipes enough to anyone who is getting married. The guests all said how beautiful the bagpipes and drums were & how much they added to the atmosphere.

Mr & Mrs Gilpin
(15.07.23)
Thainstone House

Just a huge thanks for piping at our day! Connor wasn't keen on having a bagpiper but I knew from day one I wanted one. On the day when Connor and I had a moment to ourselves he told me he was so impressed with Matthew bagpiping! He has been converted!

REVIEWS

The testimonials shown above are taken from reviews submitted by couples who completed our online survey following their wedding. To read over 140 positive reviews, please visit albabagpipes.com/reviews or Scan the QR Code below.

Additional Extras

We offer the largest selection of side drummers, tenor drummers, and Highland dancers in the region, all available to perform alongside a piper. Each performer brings unique flair and unforgettable energy, adding a distinctive, memorable touch that makes your wedding day truly special.

Side Drummer



Adding a side drummer is very popular at weddings. The side drum's sharp, powerful rhythm complements the bagpipes, elevating the pace of the performance, creating a truly dynamic, energetic atmosphere, adding depth and intensity to the music, captivating guests and making the performance a memorable highlight of your day.

Tenor Drummer



Adding a tenor drummer is still a relatively new and unique addition to weddings, but a tenor drummer's skill, flourish, and finesse bring a truly captivating element to the performance. Their movements draw the eye while their deep, resonant tones enhance the overall sound, adding energy, drama, and a striking visual impact that guests will remember long after the day.

Highland Dancer



Hiring a Highland dancer or a troupe of dancers has long been a favourite at weddings. A Highland dancer brings the spirit of Scotland to life, captivating audiences with the country's rich cultural heritage and tradition. Their performance adds a truly unique and unforgettable touch, creating a magical experience that your guests will remember for years to come.

To See Us in Action and watch our performance videos, Scan the QR Code or visit:
albabagpipes.com/videos

To View More Details of Our Additional Extras, Scan the QR Code or visit:
albabagpipes.com/additional-extras-info

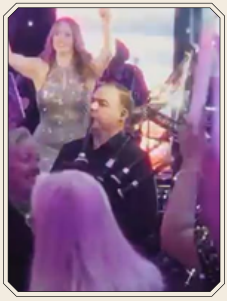
UNIQUE ENTERTAINMENT

PIPES + BACKING TRACKS

STARTING FROM £50

- Smallpipes or Highland Bagpipes performed with customised backing tracks through a professional PA system
- Available for ceremonies, drinks receptions, and evening receptions
- Wide selection of modern and traditional tracks
- Fully mobile, battery-powered PA system and laptop for setup in any location





Listen here or Scan the QR Code
albabagpipes.com/backing-track-entertainment

BUILD A BAND

COMING SUMMER 2027

The majority of our backing tracks, particularly those suited to ceremonies and drinks receptions, are composed using guitar, violin, and piano. You can choose to add any of these instruments as live performers, and our backing tracks are already adapted to seamlessly match the instruments not being played live.

You may select from a range of combinations, including piper with guitarist, piper with violinist, or piper with all three. If all instruments are performed live, the backing track is not required, creating a completely live ensemble for your ceremony or drinks reception.

Scan the QR Code for full details of this unique and flexible entertainment option or visit
albabagpipes.com/buildaband





Unique Entertainment

Available from Summer 2026

PIPE VOLTAGE

At the end of 2025, we collaborated with Glitz Band, an award-winning corporate and wedding band, to deliver a spectacular performance for a corporate Christmas party at the Marcliffe Hotel. The performance featured two Alba Bagpipers and two Alba Bagpipes Highland Dancers joining Glitz Band to perform four high-energy dance tracks: Sandstorm, Insomnia, Children, and concluding the evening with Yes Sir, I Can Boogie.

We are now expanding our repertoire with Glitz Band to bring even more Red Hot Chilli Pipers-inspired, high-energy tunes to wedding evening receptions under our new show concept: Pipe Voltage. The repertoire will also include ceilidh-style music, giving couples and guests the option to enjoy traditional Scottish dance tunes alongside the high-energy showpieces.

Each Pipe Voltage performance features two pipers and two Highland dancers, accompanied by Glitz Band, creating an unforgettable, high-impact show for your special day.





Full details of our wedding reception packages can be found here: albabagpipes.com/pipevoltage

WEDDING PHOTOS

Just a seletion of wedding images from more recent times


















PROUD MOMENTS

Opening of Victoria's Secret

In 2025, we were delighted to be approached by an entertainments agency to provide 5 Highland Dancers and a piper for the grand opening of Victoria's Secret in Union Square. It was a true honour to showcase the best of Scottish Highland Dance for such a high-profile international brand.

To make the performance even more special, we tailored our Highland Dancers' outfits to reflect Victoria's Secret's iconic branding colours blending tradition with modern elegance for an unforgettable celebration.





PROUD MOMENTS

ABERDEEN HARBOUR
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Cruises Arriving in Aberdeen

Following the launch of the new South Port Harbour in Aberdeen, the Port of Aberdeen engaged Alba Bagpipes to provide piping for cruise arrivals into the city. Since 2023, we have proudly supported the Port of Aberdeen, performing at over 80 cruise calls to date and continuing this partnership today. It is a privilege to welcome thousands of visitors with traditional Scottish music as they arrive in our vibrant city.

In 2025, we introduced a school-holiday initiative offering young local pipers the opportunity to perform for cruise arrivals. Building on its success, in 2026 we will expand this initiative to include local pipers, drummers, and Highland dancers, giving talented young performers the chance to gain valuable performance experience during the summer holidays.





PROUD MOMENTS

THE ROYAL EDINBURGH MILITARY TATTOO

The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo

In 2017, Rikki, owner of Alba Bagpipes, was honoured to perform at the prestigious Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. One of the highlights of his appearance was leading the Massed Pipes and Drums onto the iconic esplanade, a particularly proud moment shared with his family in the audience. He also had the privilege of performing a solo piece as part of one of the dance sets.

Rikki returned to the Tattoo in 2018 for a further performance. Over the years, the Edinburgh Castle esplanade has also been a stage for several of our talented Alba bagpipers and Highland dancers, who have proudly performed at the Tattoo, reflecting the high standard and heritage behind every Alba Bagpipes performance.





PROUD MOMENTS

ANDRÉ RIEU
PRODUCTIONS

Performing with Andre Rieu

In 2022, we were contacted by André Rieu Productions with a request for a pipe band to perform on stage alongside the world-renowned violinist André Rieu and his Johann Strauss Orchestra at P&J Live in 2023. We were also honoured with the opportunity to perform with André Rieu in Romania, before later being invited to take part in his prestigious home concerts in Maastricht, an honour we regard as a true career highlight.

These unforgettable experiences allowed us to showcase our music to international audiences, celebrate Scottish tradition on a global stage, and further strengthen our connections with world-class performers from around the globe.





PROUD MOMENTS

Guinness World Record Holder

In 2015, Alba Bagpipes owner Rikki Evans set a Guinness World Record for the longest marathon of solo bagpipe playing. Performing during the Piping Live! Festival in Glasgow, he played for 26 hours, 5 minutes, and 32 seconds. Rikki was the first solo piper in history to set a Guinness World Record.

To this day, the record has been challenged but remains officially unbeaten, standing as a testament to dedication, endurance, and a true passion for the art of bagpiping.







Wedding Awards

We have been fortunate over the years to receive nominations for a number of wedding awards across Scotland, thanks to the continued support and votes from our couples. These have included local awards such as the Top Tier Wedding Awards, as well as national recognition through the Confetti Awards and the Scottish Wedding Awards.

In 2023, we were delighted to be named Daytime Entertainer of the Year 2022 at the Top Tier Wedding Awards, followed by being awarded Highly Recommended Best Piper at the 2024 Confetti Awards.

While we are extremely grateful for every nomination and finalist position, we firmly believe that awards alone do not define a wedding supplier or make one any more important than another. The true measure of any wedding professional lies in the experiences and feedback of the couples they work with not the certificates or glassware on display.





TOP TIER Wedding Awards 2022 WINNER
Daytime Entertainer of The Year

Confetti WEDDING AWARDS 2024 Highly Recommended

TERMS & CONDITIONS

- A non-refundable deposit is required to secure your booking.
- The outstanding balance must be paid no later than 14 days prior to your wedding date.
- Alba Bagpipes reserves the right to cancel any booking if full payment is not received within this timeframe.
- Many of our performers also compete in Pipe Band competitions, which are governed by the Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association (RSPBA). If your wedding date coincides with or is likely to coincide with a competition, Alba Bagpipes will notify you as soon as possible.
- In the unlikely event that Alba Bagpipes cannot fulfil your booking due to an RSPBA competition and no suitable alternative piper is available, we will do our best to recommend a replacement and a full refund will be issued.

CANCELLATION POLICY

- If a cancellation is made within 28 days of your wedding date, 100% of any outstanding balance will be due.
- Cancellations made between 28 and 60 days before the wedding date will require 50% of any outstanding balance to be paid.
- If you cancel more than 60 days before your wedding date, no cancellation fee will apply, and no outstanding balance will be required.
- Exceptions: If a cancellation is due to a medical matter or family emergency, no outstanding balance will be required, regardless of the timeframe.



PRICE MATCH PROMISE

We pride ourselves on offering exceptional value while maintaining the highest standards of service. If you have received a comparable quotation from another professional wedding piping company, we would be delighted to consider matching it.

To facilitate a price match, we may request a copy of the quotation or a link to the relevant pricing information, along with details of the package being offered.

All price match requests are subject to availability and review.



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OUR BOOKING PROCESS

We make booking a piper for your wedding effortless and stress-free.

Here's how:

Online Booking Form
Our easy to use online booking form (Link Below) gives you complete control to select exactly what you need from our wedding packages, allowing you to tailor the service to your special day.

Deposit
A £30 deposit secures your booking. This can be paid conveniently through the booking form or via bank transfer. Banking details available on the form.

Booking Management System
Once confirmed, your booking is uploaded to our professional booking management system (ClickUp). You will receive a unique access link by email, allowing you to view your booking at any time on any internet-enabled device. Your assigned piper also has full access to all booking details.

Peace of Mind
ClickUp is fully integrated with our calendar system, sending daily email notifications to ensure no wedding is ever missed.

Piper Questionnaire & Final Payment
One month before your wedding, you will receive a link to complete your piper questionnaire to confirm timings, tunes, and other important details for your day. At this time, we will also request final payment, which is due no later than 14 days before your wedding date.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BOOK?

Simply Scan the QR code to complete our online wedding booking form
or visit
albabagpipes.com/online-bookings

Cognito Forms

BOOK ONLINE

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