



SLIEVE DONARD  
RESORT AND SPA

*Your Wedding*

**Names:** Gemma Dawson and Ben Cornwell

**Venue:** Slieve Donard Resort & Spa

**Wedding Date:** September 8th 2018

Gemma and Ben were married on September 8th 2018 and celebrated their wedding at Slieve Donard Resort & Spa. Gemma literally fell for Ben on their very first meeting, "Our relationship started the way all great relationships start.... A nightclub in Essex. Gemma fell into my arms after being tripped by a friend and the rest is history!"



Gemma fell in love with Slieve Donard Resort after her cousin suggested the venue during a visit to see family in Northern Ireland, "The Mourne mountains in the background are a view like no other. Once we booked the venue everything else fell into the place. My cousin along with the Slieve Donard Hotel suggested different companies to use for our flowers, cake etc and we couldn't recommend them enough."



The Bride's gown was a strapless, mermaid style dress with lace applique from a dress shop in Essex, "It was the sixth dress I had tried on and initially wasn't keen, it was only when I tried the veil and shoes that I knew it was 'the one'".

The bridesmaid and flower girl dresses were purchased from the same shop in Essex, "I decided to go for a grey colour for my bridesmaids, keeping in with our theme of grey/silver. Our flower girls wore ivory dresses with specks of glitter on the bottom of the dress."

Ben's suit along with his Groomsmen's attire were hired from Antony's in Essex. The classically stylish deep blue suit with a grey waistcoat was both simple and elegant.





Offering their tips to other couples planning on tying the knot, Gemma added “Let the little things go! On the day everything will come together and you’ll forget about everything you were stressing/worrying about the day before. A piece of advice I was given was on the day was to step back and look around, as the day goes so quick!”

Ben’s advice for the Groom’s was, “Your only job is to choose your suits and survive the stag do! If you manage that you’re set.”

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