

Band Profile Form

Kings of Swing - Gary Grace

PROFILE

GARY GRACE is widely regarded as one of the UK's classiest vocalists. He regularly appears at weddings, private functions and corporate events throughout the UK and Europe, as well as around the world aboard cruise liners.

He is best known for his 'Salute to Sinatra' and 'Kings of Swing' tribute shows as well as the pop standards and songs from movies and musicals that he also performs in cabaret when cruising. In recent years he has also become one of the principal vocalists for Tony Hatch, whenever the legendary songwriter makes one of his rare public performances.

Gary can offer various options to suit your needs and budget, either performing solo with recorded backing music, or else with a band of various sizes...anything from a duo to an 18-piece band.

For weddings and dinner/dances he can offer a range of possibilities...providing 'easy listening' or 'dinner jazz' as an accompaniment to the meal and/or 'up tempo' music to get everyone dancing later. In this instance, he can also include 60s & 70s dance numbers in his set if required.

For his engagements around the UK and Europe, Gary draws from a pool of some of the nation's finest session musicians, usually seeking to engage players as close to the venue location as possible to keep client costs to a minimum.

Whatever your choice, Gary will bring a touch of class to your event and help to make the occasion go 'with a swing'!



SHOW LINE UP

Salute to Sinatra - 1-hour cabaret show, faithfully re-creating the sound of 'Old Blue Eyes' himself.

Kings of Swing - Gary performs timeless classics associated with Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Matt Monro, Andy Williams, Nat 'King' Cole, Tony Bennett etc.

Jazz & Swing - Gary combines the jazz standards of Cole Porter, the Gershwins and Rodgers & Hart with the classic swing songs of Frank Sinatra and Tony Bennett

Cruise Cabaret - Whilst primarily performing the songs of Sinatra and the Rat Pack when on dry land, Gary's cabaret show can extend into a wider area when aboard cruise liners.

Weddings & Functions - He can provide 'easy listening' music as background to a drinks reception or dinner, or more 'up tempo' music for dancing afterwards, where he can also include pop numbers into his repertoire if required.

Gary can perform with as a soloist or as a band of various sizes known as GARY GRACE & THE SWING KINGS, ranging from a duo to an 18-piece orchestra!

For example, as 'The Swing Kings Duo' he can be accompanied by a pianist to perform classy background music to a drinks reception or dinner and a larger band can then also play for dancing afterwards if required.

The larger band formats are normally as follows:

The 3-piece band would normally comprise of vocals, piano and either drums or bass, with the 4-piece line-up including both drums and bass.

For a fuller sound, a saxophone would complete the 5-piece line-up; adding a trumpet and trombone for a 6-piece and 7-piece band respectively.

Gary also fronts larger ensembles, including the 9-piece 'Shiny Stockings Orchestra' and the 18-piece 'Big Swing Band'



AREA COVERED

Nationwide and International

BOOKING INFORMATION

Please contact DDR Entertainments for enquiries and bookings.



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APPROXIMATE COSTS

Prices start from £400

BOOKING OPTIONS

Soloist
 Soloist with Backing Tracks
 Duo or Trio
 Full Swing Band
 18 Piece Big Band

SAMPLE PLAYLIST

Bad Bad Leroy Brown
 My Kind Of Town (Chicago Is)
 Softly As I Leave You
 Strangers In The Night
 Sway
 Witchcraft
 Night And Day
 My Kind Of Girl
 Can't Take My Eyes Off You
 That's Life
 Let Me Try Again
 Let There Be Love
 San Francisco
 One For My Baby
 Nice 'n' Easy
 I've got the world on a string
 All the way
 I've got you under my skin
 Let's face the music and dance
 Born free
 Fly me to the moon
 That's amore
 In the wee small hours of the morning
 Music to watch girls by
 Unforgettable
 Come fly with me
 How do you keep the music playing
 Ain't that a kick in the head
 Walk away
 Mack the knife
 Angel eyes
 My way
 Gary can also perform dance and party music on request.

REVIEWS & FEEDBACK

"Just returned from our honeymoon and wanted to say a very BIG thank you for making our wedding reception go with a swing. Everyone is still talking about you and raving about what a wonderful time you gave us."

Many thanks
 Alex & Geraldine

"Thank you once again for your truly professional performance yesterday. My Dad had just the best day. Our guests have said you were the best they had ever seen. We didn't want the performance to end. We watched the video last night and enjoyed it just as much again, can't wait to show it to my Dad.

A truly well deserved standing ovation. Thank you, thank you, thank you"

"Gary, we just want to thank you so much for providing the entertainment at our engagement party. We have had lots of comments from our family and friends saying how fabulous you were. Your showmanship and interaction with the guests was fantastic. We thank you SO MUCH for making our evening such a success. PS We'll let you know provisional dates for the wedding next year, this time complete with big band! X"