



LUTYENS
CRYPT

MAKING A GOOD EVENT GREAT AND AN
ORDINARY EVENT UNFORGETTABLE



WELCOME TO THE CRYPT
A UNIQUE HISTORICAL VENUE IN THE HEART OF THE CITY OF LIVERPOOL

WHETHER YOU ARE PLANNING AN EVENT ON A
GRAND SCALE
OR ONE WITH A
DIFFERENCE
OUR THREE INTER-LINKING VENUES SITUATED BENEATH
THE METROPOLITAN CATHEDRAL
OFFER THE
FLEXIBLE SPACE
YOU NEED IN WHAT IS SURELY THE
MOST FASCINATING
SURROUNDINGS IN LIVERPOOL

With exclusive access to an adjoining underground car park, plus abundant transport links and accommodation nearby, the ease with which the Crypt can be accessed only adds to its appeal. Once inside you will be left enthralled by the sheer scale and beauty of this versatile and well-serviced space where, thanks to our recent £2 million renovation, you will find the kind of purpose-built fixtures and fittings you would normally expect from a modern facility.



— THIS ENORMOUS AND —
BREATH TAKING CRYPT
— WAS TO BE PART OF THE —
LARGEST CATHEDRAL
— IN THE WORLD —
DESIGNED IN THE 1930s BY
SIR EDWIN LUTYENS

Shortly after the Crypt's completion however, rising costs and the Second World War forced the scheme's abandonment, and in its place was constructed the iconic Cathedral we know today, designed by Sir Frederick Gibberd. The original Crypt however, with its breathtaking scale and beautiful vaulted halls, remained hidden beneath as one of Liverpool's best kept secrets, until a recent £2 million restoration created a new visitor attraction and events space which now stands unparalleled anywhere in the region.

—— THE BREATHTAKING CRYPT OFFERS ——

VAULTED CEILINGS

ARCHED AND ROUND LEADLIGHT WINDOWS

MARBLE & PARQUET FLOORING

A GLEAMING TREASURY

—— AND CANTILEVERED SPIRAL STAIRCASES ——

Aside from its unique aesthetics the Crypt is situated in the heart of Liverpool City Centre; it is 5 minutes drive from the M62; there are 12 hotels within 5 minutes walk; it is 30 minutes drive from John Lennon Airport, and 15 minutes walk from Lime Street train station. The Crypt has full disabled access and also boasts a 70 capacity underground car park, a centralised kitchen, a dedicated stage area, licensed bar, on site tables, chairs and tableware and state of the art public address facilities.





THE CRYPT'S EXCELLENT EVENT FACILITIES ARE COUPLED WITH A TRULY
UNIQUE ATMOSPHERE
——— AND INTEREST THAT MAKES ———
A GOOD EVENT GREAT
——— AND AN ORDINARY EVENT ———
UNFORGETTABLE

— WHETHER FOR A —

BLACK-TIE DINNER

— DESIGNED TO IMPRESS OR AN —

INFORMAL BREAK-OUT BUFFET

OUR THREE CAREFULLY SELECTED CATERERS OFFER THE
CHOICE, QUALITY AND CULINARY FLAIR
— TO SUIT EVERY EVENT, STYLE AND BUDGET —



With a Twist is a high-end catering company offering canapés, complete menus and cocktails to events within the Crypt. Tasting sessions ensure every menu is designed to suit, and courteous staff provide the very highest standards of service.

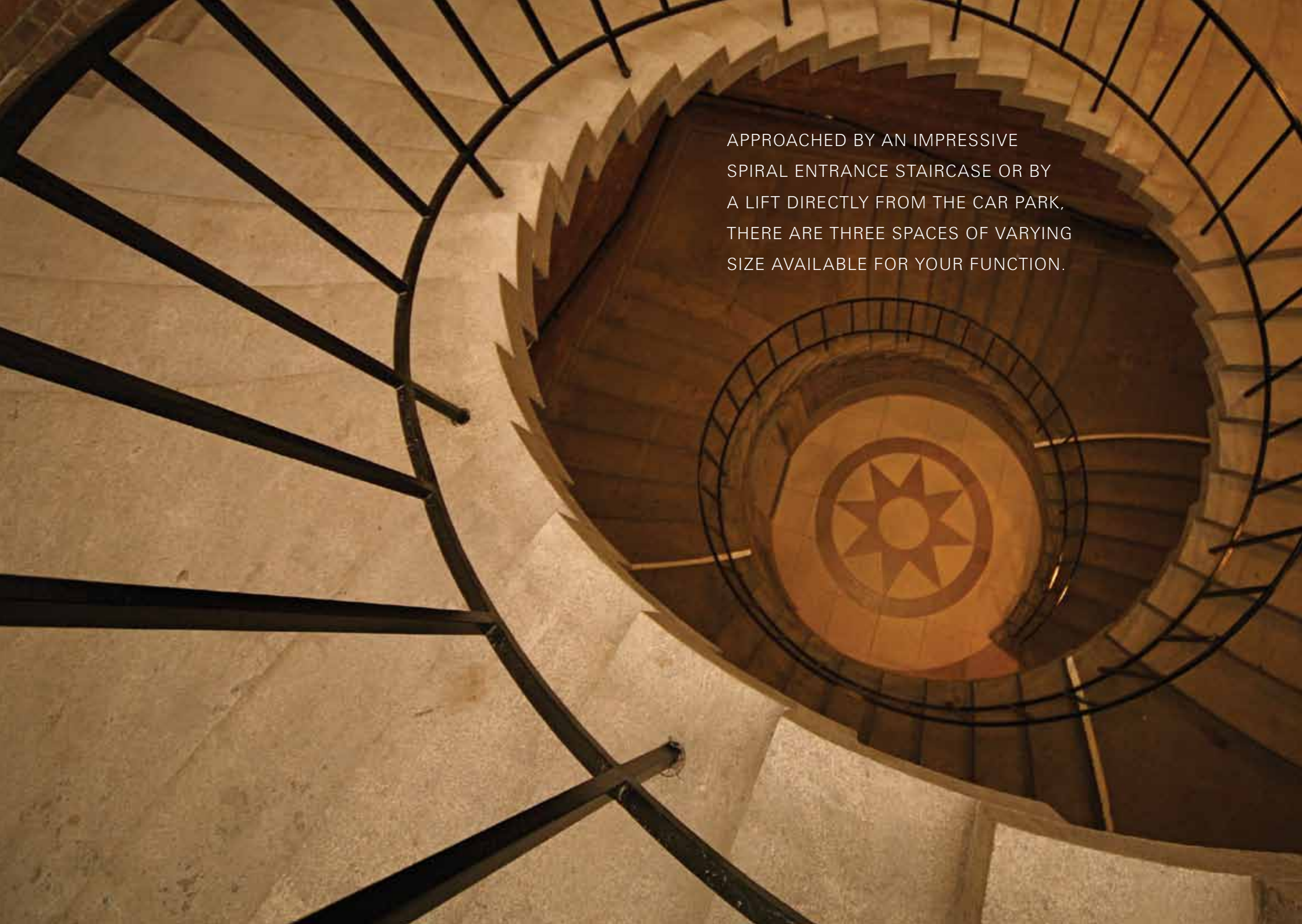


Carringtons' passion is for presenting the finest food, efficiency and organisation to events in the Crypt. With unfaltering attention to detail and years of expertise, Carringtons' bespoke catering service ensures your guests enjoy a most memorable event.



The Pickled Walnut bespoke catering company excels at catering for corporate hospitality. Their award winning team serves locally sourced, seasonal produce ensuring outstanding results, organised with precision and executed to great success.





APPROACHED BY AN IMPRESSIVE
SPIRAL ENTRANCE STAIRCASE OR BY
A LIFT DIRECTLY FROM THE CAR PARK,
THERE ARE THREE SPACES OF VARYING
SIZE AVAILABLE FOR YOUR FUNCTION.



THE PONTIFICAL HALL
— WITH ITS —
GLITTERING TREASURY
— CONTAINING FASCINATING EXAMPLES OF —
PRICELESS CHURCH ARTEFACTS
— IS IDEAL FOR —
DRINKS RECEPTIONS
— AND CAN HOLD UP TO 500 GUESTS —



THE CRYPT HALL

WITH ITS

SOARING BRICK

BUTTRESSES,

VAULTED CEILING

AND FULLY-EQUIPPED BAR CAN SEAT 280 DINERS

ITS ADAPTABLE LIGHTING

ALSO MAKES IT IDEAL FOR

EXHIBITIONS AS WELL AS FOR ACADEMIC USE



THE CONCERT ROOM

WITH ITS

STAGE, GRAND PIANO

AND EXCELLENT PUBLIC ADDRESS FACILITIES

CAN ACCOMMODATE AUDIENCES OF UP TO

250 FOR CONFERENCES,
LECTURES OR PERFORMANCES

— AND CAN ALSO SEAT 120 DINERS —



“ THE CRYPT PROVIDED AN EXCELLENT SETTING FOR OUR MEMBERS’ BUSINESS DINNER. THE SCALE AND UNIQUE QUALITY OF THE VENUE CONTRIBUTED TO THE SUCCESS OF THE EVENT, AND WE WERE DELIGHTED WITH THE HIGH LEVEL OF SERVICE WE RECEIVED ON THE NIGHT. ”

Carolyn Houghton
The Mersey Partnership



The Mersey Partnership chose the Crypt as the venue for their Annual Members’ Business Dinner. The event was attended by over 200 guests and consisted of a three course gala dinner, drinks reception, and live entertainment. Our AV partners Saville AV, provided a tailor-made lighting and audio package with stunning results.



“ WE’VE BEEN RUNNING THE LIVERPOOL CAMRA BEER FESTIVAL FOR OVER 10 YEARS. WE RETURN TO THE CRYPT YEAR AFTER YEAR AS THERE’S SIMPLY NO OTHER VENUE QUITE LIKE IT IN THE CITY. ARCHITECTURALLY IT IS - OF COURSE - STUNNING. BUT TO ADD TO THAT, THE STAFF AT THE CRYPT ARE VERY ACCOMMODATING AND ITS LOCATION CANNOT BE BEATEN. ”

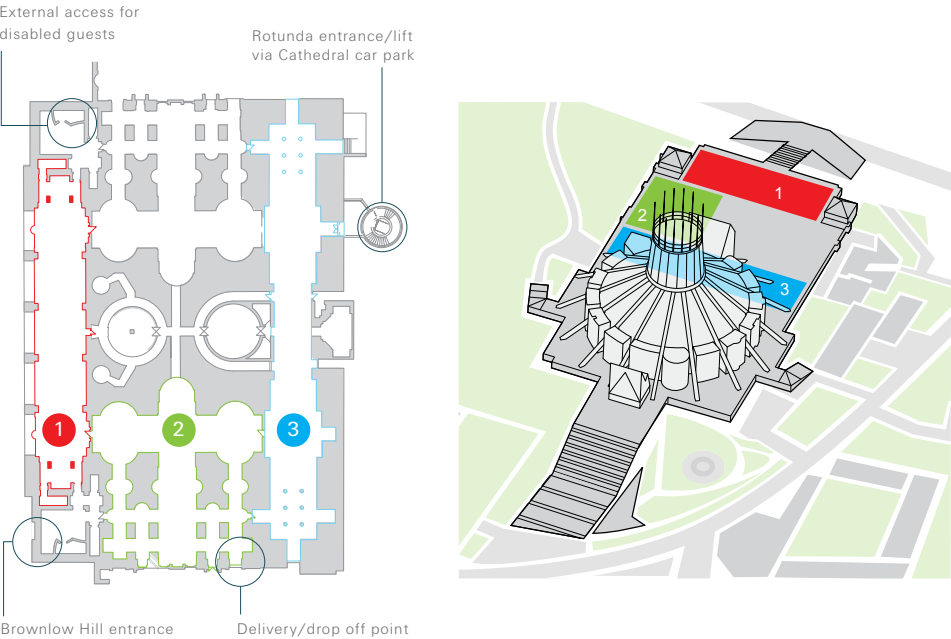
Stephen Downing

Liverpool CAMRA Beer Festival



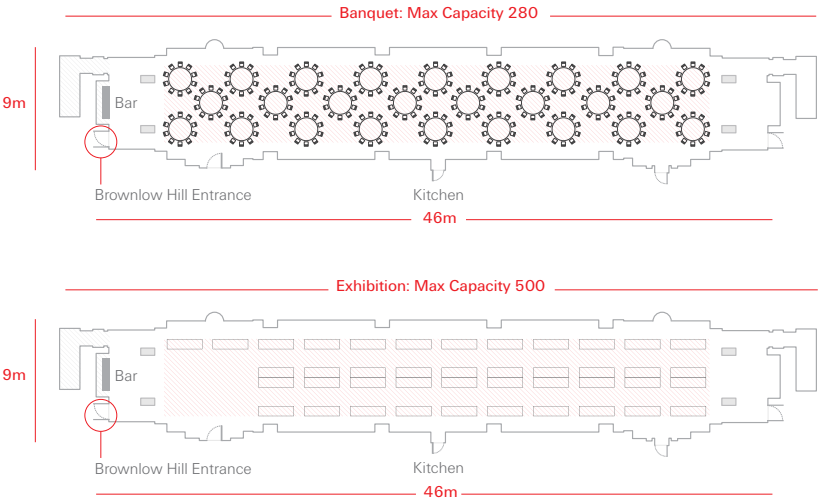
The Liverpool Beer Festival is one of Liverpool’s most popular and longest running annual events. The event attracts over 5,000 people across three days and has been held in the Crypt for over 10 years.

GREAT IDEAS FOR ROOM LAYOUTS



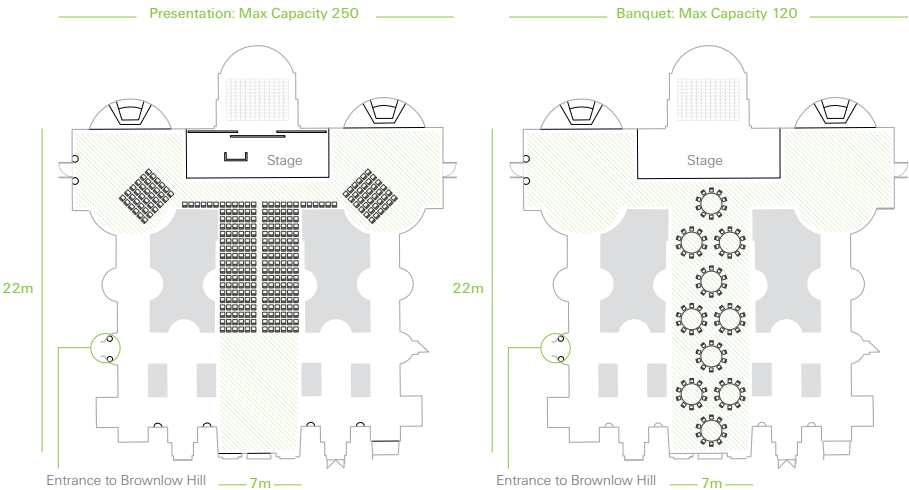
1 THE CRYPT HALL

The Crypt Hall can seat 280 diners. It is also ideal for exhibitions, as well as for academic use.



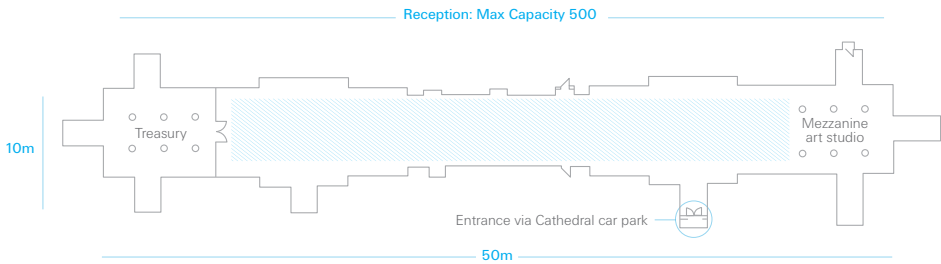
2 THE CONCERT ROOM

The Concert Room can accommodate audiences of up to 250 for conferences, lectures or performances, and up to 120 for dinner.



3 THE PONTIFICAL HALL

The Pontifical Hall is ideal for drinks receptions, and can hold up to 500 guests.



Please note: All diagrams and dimensions are approximate and for the purpose of visual guidance only.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

The Lutyens Crypt also offers additional services for your event such as;

CATHEDRAL CHOIR

To make your event extra special, you might like to consider having the Cathedral Choir sing. Subject to availability.

SOUND AND LIGHTING SOLUTIONS

Our award-winning venue partners Saville Audio Visual can offer tailor-made packages to suit every budget.

PIAZZA CAFÉ

Use the Piazza Café for breakout sessions or breakfast meetings.



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“The word 'Crypt' conjures up a small underground space housing a number of tombs or burial vaults. In the case of the Lutyens Crypt the reality is quite different. Consisting of four vast Neo-Classical Halls and other interior spaces it is a unique building of great architectural importance hidden away under the Metropolitan Cathedral designed by Sir Frederick Gibberd.

Everyone who visits or uses the Crypt facilities comments on its grandeur and exclusivity. It not only has that instant 'wow' factor but impresses at every level.

Following major refurbishment in 2008, the access to the building and internal facilities are comparable with the best of modern design.

For anyone considering the Crypt as the venue for a special event, we can assure you of a warm welcome, a wealth of experience and support in the planning stage, fabulous catering options, and most importantly a venue of unique character and historic importance that will have a lasting impression on your guests. ”

Anthony O'Brien

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