

# AUSTRALIAN WEDDINGS



All rates are quoted in nett Australian dollars and include 10% GST.

VALID 01 APRIL 2007 TO 31 MARCH 2008

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### LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

#### NOTICE OF INTENDED MARRIAGE FORM

◆ Notice of Intended Marriage Forms can now be obtained from the Internet at

- www.ag.gov.au/celebrants and click on Notice of Intended Marriage Form
- The form can be witnessed by a Notary Public
- The form is valid up until 18 months before the wedding day

It is still possible to obtain the form from the Australian Consulate and have it witnessed by an Australian consulate official.

If a party to an intended marriage cannot conveniently sign this Notice, the other party may sign and send it the Wedding Company in Australia. However, in this case, the party who has not signed the notice must sign it in the presence of the celebrant before the marriage is solemnized.

The Wedding Companies prefer to have this form at least 8 weeks before the wedding date. They strongly advise this form be sent to us by courier or registered mail.

#### PLEASE NOTE

Australian law requires the Celebrant must receive the completed form at least one month and one day before the wedding day.

#### PHOTO COPIES OF DOCUMENTS

Two copies each of both bride's & groom's passports, and if either has been married before, 2 copies of Decree Absolute or Death Certificate should accompany the Notice of Intended Marriage Form which is sent to the Wedding Companies.

#### **DOCUMENTS REQUIRED IN AUSTRALIA**

At the meeting with the celebrant before the wedding, the couple should bring:

- Passports
- Originals of Birth Certificates
- Original of either Decree Absolute or Death Certificate if either party has been married before
  - Photo copies required as proof of ID: (1) Utililty Account showing current residential address and
    (2) Credit or Account Card one side only, not the side with signature. These photo copies are needed to accompany the application for Official Marriage Certificate.
  - Original of Change of Name Document by Deed Poll if either party has changed their name.

#### THE 'OFFICIAL' MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

The 'Official' Marriage Certificate' has a registration number and is held by the Registry of Births Deaths and Marriages in Australia. As part of the Wedding companies Service, they apply for a copy the 'Official' Marriage Certificate on behalf of the couple. The application must be accompanied by proof of ID as advised above.

#### Please note, the driver's license is no longer accepted as proof of ID.

#### **CEREMONIAL MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE**

The 'Ceremonial' Marriage Certificate is signed by the couple on the wedding day and is <u>NOT</u> a legal document. The legal document is the Official Marriage Certificate.

The Wedding Companies supply a Letter of Authority to be signed by the couple authorising the Wedding Companies to apply for the certificate on their behalf. When they receive the copy of the "Official Marriage Certificate" it is sent to the couple by registered mail. This process takes between 4 - 6 weeks. This service is provided by the Weddings Companies at no additional cost. The cost for additional copies of the Official Marriage Certificate is \$77 per certificate.

#### AUTHENTICATION OF THE OFFICIAL MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

Some countries (but not the UK) require authentication of the Official Marriage Certificate by the application of an Apostille Stamp. Each couple should check with the relevant authority in the home country & if required, The Wedding Companies will send the 'Official' Marriage Certificate to the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs to have the Apostille Stamp applied. The Wedding Companies we will then send the authenticated Certificate to the couple by registered mail. This process takes an additional 2 weeks. This service is provided by The Weddings Companies at no additional cost. If multiple certificates are required the additional cost for the Apostille Stamp is \$110 per certificate.

### SYDNEY

Venues available in Sydney:

- Sydney Beachside Wedding at Balmoral Beach
- Royal Botanic Garden Wedding
- Sydney Opera House (including sparkling wine and canapés for Bride and Groom after the ceremony)
- Sydney Harbour Sunset Cruise Ceremony (including canapés served with Australian Sparking Wine, plus 3 course la a carte dinner with wine and window seating for bride and groom)
- Bondi Beach "Icebergs" Ceremony

Two wedding packages are available in Sydney as follows:

"ESSENTIALS" WEDDING PACKAGE Includes:-

- Confirmation letter & wedding schedule before departure
- Orientation & guidance meeting after arrival
- Personal service by wedding coordinator to assist and help at all times
- Witnesses if required
- Fees for minister/celebrant
- Marriage license & registration fees
- Meeting with the minister/celebrant before the wedding day
- Official Marriage Certificate copy sent by registered mail to couple's home
- Wedding Ceremony Venue fee
- Ceremonial Marriage Certificate to take on Wedding Day
- White clothed table & chair for signing marriage certificate
- Feather Pen for signing marriage certificate
- Ivory silk ring cushion (use of)
- Transfer to and from venue in sedan wedding car 2 hours
- Fresh flower bouquet of ivory/cream roses & greenery and matching buttonhole
- ✤ 12 5" x 7" colour photos in 9" hand made album
- Photo index sheet
- Australian sparkling wine toast after the ceremony for the Bride & Groom

#### "DELUXE" WEDDING PACKAGE Includes all of the above and:-

- Hair & Makeup for Bride
- Ceremony Video/DVD
- Upgrade to Stretch Limousine

### "ESSENTIALS" WEDDING PACKAGE NETT COSTS

| AT BALMORAL BEACH   | AUD3040.00 |
|---|------------|
| ROYAL BOTANIC GARDEN WEDDING  | AUD3600.00 |
| SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE<br>(including sparkling wine and canapés for the Bridge and Groom)<br>Not available 19 December 2007 to 04 January 2008  | AUD4160.00 |
| SUNSET HARBOUR CRUISE CEREMONY<br>(including canapés served with Australian Sparkling Wine, plus<br>3 course a la carte dinner with wine and window seat for the Bride and Groom) | AUD3904.00 |
| BONDI BEACH "ICEBERGS" CEREMONY<br>(11AM Tuesday to Friday only- maximum 10 persons)  | AUD3992.00 |

### "DELUXE" WEDDING PACKAGE NETT COST

Additional rate for Deluxe package (Non commissionable and must be paid locally)

AUD1465.00

\*All venues are available 7 days per week excluding Australian National Holidays, except Bondi "Icebergs".

PLEASE NOTE: A 15% SURCHARGE APPLIES FOR SATURDAY & SUNDAY WEDDINGS

#### CANCELLATION

| First 10 days from the day booking is confirmed:  | No Charge                            |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Deposit Up to 2 months prior to the wedding date: | AUD \$1100.00                        |
| 2 months to 72 hours prior to the wedding date:   | 50% of the total cost including tax  |
| 72 hours or less prior to the wedding date:       | 100% of the total cost including tax |

### MANTRA TREETOPS RESORT & SPA PORT DOUGLAS

Package inclusions:

- ✤ 3 nights in a Superior or Deluxe Room for two
- Daily full buffet breakfast for two
- Return Limo transfers from Cairns Airport to Hotel
- Romantic three course dinner on one evening
- Wedding ceremony in the Tree House
- ✤ Celebrant, Marriage Licence and Wedding Certificate
- Bouquet for the bridge / buttonhole for the groom
- Bottle of Australian sparkling wine following the ceremony
- Photographer and 30 prints
- Services of a Wedding Co-ordinator & Witness (if required)

**The Treehouse** is a natural setting with polished floorboards and rainforest surroundings, and is simply decorated with clothed table, floral arrangement and chairs set pew style if required.

#### NETT COSTS: Superior Room AUD2875.00 total for two

Deluxe Room AUD2995.00 total for two

Additional services which can be arranged on request:-

- Wedding Cake, payable direct to the resort
- Floral and Photography upgrades available, payable direct to the resort
- Negatives available for purchase, payable direct to the resort
- CANCELLATION

30-15 Day a 50% cancellation fee will apply

14 – 1 day a 100% cancellation fee will apply

## **KEWARRA BEACH RESORT**

### (on a private beach near Palm Cove)

Package inclusions:

- Fees for the Marriage Celebrant, including all transporation costs to and from the ceremony.
- All administration costs associated with organising the wedding by Kewarra Beach Resort (extra charges apply for some European Countries)
- Decorated venue for the wedding ceremony (location chosen by the bride and groom after arrival at the Resort).
- Souquet for bride and buttonhole for groom (selected from our local florist after arrival at the Resort).
- South the wedding commonly with the served following the wedding commonly.
- Provision of witness if required
- Professional photographer to capture the occasion, 60 prints, produced and presented in an album, with the negatives within 24 hours.
- Candlelit dinner for two including wine.
- Marriage licence and certificate (issued on the day)

#### NETT COST: AUD1636.00 total

\*\*\*Apostile Stamp is AUD120.00 and must be paid direct (this fee applies to EU Countries)\*\*\*

\*Please refer to our Travel Trade Planner Rate Insert for accommodation rates at Kewarra Beach Resort.

- Minimum of 3 nights stay at Kewarra Beach Resort (additional)
- Minimum of 1 working day residency in Australia prior to the wedding ceremony.
- Cancellation fees will apply

### THALA BEACH LODGE

### (on a private beach near Port Douglas)

Package inclusions:

- ✤ Fees for the Marriage Celebrant
- All administration costs associated with organising the wedding by Thala Beach Lodge (extra charges apply for some European Countries)
- Private venue for the wedding ceremony (location chosen by the bride and groom after arrival at the Resort).
- Souquet for bride and buttonhole for groom (selected from our local florist after arrival at the Resort).
- Bottle of Australian Sparkling wine served following the wedding ceremony.
- Provision of witness.
- Professional photographer to capture the occasion, 60 prints, produced and presented in an album, with the negatives prior to departure.

#### NETT COST: AUD1636.00 total

\*\*\*Apostile Stamp is AUD120.00 and must be paid direct (this fee applies to EU Countries)\*\*\*

\*Please refer to our Travel Trade Planner Rate Insert for accommodation rates at Thala Beach Lodge.

- Minimum of 5 nights stay at Thala Beach Lodge (additional)
- Minimum of 1 working day residency in Australia prior to the wedding ceremony.
- Cancellation fees will apply

# SEBEL REEF HOUSE PALM COVE

Package inclusions:

- Fees for the local Marriage Celebrant
- ✤ Marriage license & certificate
- Miniature 2-tier wedding cake
- Bouquet for bride and buttonhole for groom
- ✤ Bottle of Australian sparkling wine
- Wedding Co-ordinator
- Assistance locally
- Sest Man, Maid of Honour or witnesses if required
- ✤ 60 photo's in a presentation album
- Table and chairs for marriage ceremony

#### COST: AUD1599.00 total

\*Please refer to our Travel Trade Planner Rate Insert for accommodation rates at Sebel Reef House.

- Minimum of 2 nights stay at The Sebel Reef House (additional)
- Surcharge will apply for Sundays and Public Holiday Marriages
- Cancellation fees will apply

### HAMILTON ISLAND

Package inclusions:

- Ceremony in the All Saints Chapel (set on a hilltop overlooking Catseye Bay) or alternatively an outdoor location including a tropical garden setting, beach wedding or hilltop location.
- Civil Celebrant (many religious officiators also available, additional costs apply)
- Wedding Consultant (a Hamilton Island Weddings Consultant will liaise with the couple ensuring every detail of the event is taken care of, providing a carefree, dream wedding day)
- Rolls Royce or Luxury Vehicle Transfers on the Wedding day.
- Silver Photography Package (comprising of PROFESSIONAL Wedding Photographer, 30 5" x 7" photo's in stylish box, 3 enlargements 8"X6)
- Silver Video Package (Comprising minimum 20minute professional footage, 1 copy of DVD)
- Bride's bouquet and groom's buttonhole
- Hair & Make-up (includes professional hair styling and makeup for the bride on the wedding day) to the value of \$185.00.
- ◆ 2 Hamilton Island Wedding Embossed Glasses and Bottle of Australians Sparkling Wine

#### MONDAY TO THURSDAY NETT COST: AUD 3188.00 total FRIDAY TO SUNDAY NETT COST: AUD 3358.00 total

- A deposit of \$695 is required at the time of making the booking. Please note this amount is non refundable.
- Full payment is required by Hamilton Island 7 days prior to wedding ceremony

#### HAYMAN ISLAND

Hayman Island provides a unique opportunity to feature a variety of experiences in addition to accommodation packages. These experiences may be featured in your brochure programs. Hayman offers a beautiful venue for a Wedding or Affirmation Ceremony in either the Stella Maris Chapel with breathtaking views over the blue waters of the Whitsunday Passage, or your selected Garden or Beach location on the island. Rate includes the following:

ESSENTIAL WEDDING PACKAGE

- Wedding Co-ordination fee
- Ceremony location and setup
- Celebrant fee and documentation
- Sparkling wine for toasting
- French Champagne in the Bridge & Groom's room on arrival
- Hayman Chocolate Plate in the Bride & Groom's room on arrival
- Complimentary room upgrade for the Bride & Groom

#### NETT COST: AUD1440.00 total

#### ULIMATE WEDDING PACKAGE

- Wedding Co-ordination fee
- Ceremony location and setup
- Floral table decoration
- Celebrant fee and documentation
- Brides hand-held bouquet
- Grooms Buttonhole
- Wedding Cake
- Limousine transfers
- Sparkling wine for toasting
- French Champagne in the Bridge & Groom's room on arrival
- Hayman Chocolate Plate in the Bride & Groom's room on arrival
- Complimentary room upgrade for the Bride & Groom

#### NETT COST: AUD1840.00 total

#### PURE INDULGENCE WEDDING PACKAGE

- Wedding Co-ordination fee
- Ceremony location and setup
- Floral table decoration
- Celebrant fee and documentation
- Brides hand-held bouquet
- Grooms Buttonhole
- Wedding Cake
- Limousine transfers
- Sparkling Wine for Toasting
- Romantic Candlelight Dinner for Bride & Groom
- Private Honeymoon breakfast on your balcony for Bride & Groom
- Beauty package for the Bride including facial, foot and hand therapy
- Sunset Escape (romantic sunset beach drop-off) for the Bride & Groom
- French Champagne in the Bridge & Groom's room on arrival
- Hayman Chocolate Plate in the Bride & Groom's room on arrival
- Complimentary room upgrade for the Bride & Groom

#### NETT COST: AUD2880.00 total

- A deposit of \$695 is required
- Rates are subject to availability and exclude Australian Public Holidays and festive Season 23 Dec07 7 Jan08 Inclusive
- All rates are per couple with a maximum of 10 guests
- Packages can not be split
- Additional charges apply to religious celebrants or sunset ceremonies
- Cancellation fees will apply.

### **DUNK ISLAND**

Basic Package inclusions:

- Celebrant Fees, Marriage License & Certificate
- Lodgement of Wedding Notice
- Wedding Co-ordination Fee
- ✤ Witness (if required)
- Celebrant Transfers
- Brides Bouquet/Groomsman's Buttonhole
- ✤ Wedding Cake for Two
- Bottle of House Sparkling Wine
- Site set up (including tropical bridal arch, signing table and tropical flowers)

#### NETT COST: AUD 1272.00 total

Conditions:

- Confirmation of accommodation must be made prior to booking Wedding Package
- Rate subject to availability at the time of booking
- Surcharges will apply to any special requirements.
- Optional extras are available.

Booking Policy:

- A confirmation will be sent requesting a 20% deposit of the Wedding Ceremony Package. Deposit due within 21 days of receipt of confirmation
- Final monies are due 30 days prior to arrival.

- All deposits are non-refundable for cancellations between 60 and 30 days prior to arrival
- 50% payment required for cancellations between 30 & 14 days prior to arrival
- Full payment required for cancellations below 14 days prior to arrival

### SILKY OAKS LODGE

Basic Package inclusions:

- Celebrant Fees, Marriage License & Certificate
- Lodgement of Wedding Notice
- Wedding Co-ordination Fee
- ✤ Witness (if required)
- Brides Bouquet/Groomsman's Buttonhole
- Champagne
- ✤ Wedding Cake for Two

#### NETT COST: AUD 1320.00 total

Ultimate Package inclusions:

- Celebrant Fees, Marriage License & Certificate
- Lodgement of Wedding Notice
- Wedding Co-ordination Fee
- ✤ Witness (if required)
- Brides Bouquet/Groomsman's Buttonhole
- Champagne
- Wedding Cake for Two
- Seafood Picnic Hamper for Two
- Rose Petals
- Flowers on arrival
- Chocolate dipped strawberries
- Spa Treatments
- Brides Hair and Make-up
- Continental breakfast in room

#### NETT COST: AUD 2120.00 total

Conditions:

- Confirmation of accommodation must be made prior to booking Wedding Package
- Rate subject to availability at the time of booking
- Surcharges will apply to any special requirements.
- Optional extras are available.

Booking Policy:

- A confirmation will be sent requesting a 20% deposit of the Wedding Ceremony Package. Deposit due within 21 days of receipt of confirmation
- Final monies are due 30 days prior to arrival.

- All deposits are non-refundable for cancellations between 60 and 30 days prior to arrival
- 50% payment required for cancellations between 30 & 14 days prior to arrival
- Full payment required for cancellations below 14 days prior to arrival

### **BEDARRA ISLAND**

Basic Package inclusions:

- Celebrant Fees, Marriage License & Certificate
- Lodgement of Wedding Notice
- Celebrant Transfers
- ✤ Wedding Co-ordination Fee
- ✤ Witness (if required)
- Brides Bouquet/Groomsman's Buttonhole made from tropical flowers
- Wedding Cake for Two
- Bollinger French Champagne

#### NETT COST: AUD 1376.00 total

Ultimate Package inclusions:

- Celebrant Fees, Marriage License & Certificate
- Lodgement of Wedding Notice
- Celebrant Transfers
- ✤ Wedding Co-ordination Fee
- ✤ Witness (if required)
- Brides Bouquet/Groomsman's Buttonhole made from tropical flowers
- Wedding Cake for Two
- Bollinger French Champagne
- Flowers in room on arrival
- Spa Treatment
- Photography package (including 45 5x7 inch images, 2 hours coverage, presented in a dry mount album)

#### NETT COST: AUD 2356.00 total

Conditions:

- Confirmation of accommodation must be made prior to booking Wedding Package
- Rate subject to availability at the time of booking
- Surcharges will apply to any special requirements.
- Optional extras are available.

Booking Policy:

- A confirmation will be sent requesting a 20% deposit of the Wedding Ceremony Package. Deposit due within 21 days of receipt of confirmation
- Final monies are due 30 days prior to arrival.

- All deposits are non-refundable for cancellations between 60 and 30 days prior to arrival
- 50% payment required for cancellations between 30 & 14 days prior to arrival
- Full payment required for cancellations below 14 days prior to arrival

### LIZARD ISLAND

Basic Package inclusions:

- Celebrant Fees, Marriage License & Certificate
- Lodgement of Wedding Notice
- Celebrant Transfers and accommodation
- Wedding Co-ordination Fee
- Witness (if required)
- Brides Bouquet/Groomsman's Buttonhole
- Wedding Cake for Two
- Bottle of house sparkling
- Gourmet Picnic Lunch
- Private Beach Dining

#### NETT COST: AUD 1776.00 total

Ultimate Package inclusions:

- Celebrant Fees, Marriage License & Certificate
- Lodgement of Wedding Notice
- Celebrant Transfers and accommodation
- ✤ Wedding Co-ordination Fee
- Witness (if required)
- Aromatic Relaxation Spa treatment for two
- Flowers and House sparkling on arrival
- Brides Bouquet/Groomsman's Buttonhole
- Gourmet Picnic Lunch
- Wedding Cake for Two
- Bottle of Bollinger Curvee for toasting
- ✤ Sunset Cruise
- Private Beach Dining

#### NETT COST: AUD 2416.00 total

Conditions:

- Confirmation of accommodation must be made prior to booking Wedding Package
- Rate subject to availability at the time of booking
- Surcharges will apply to any special requirements.
- Optional extras are available.

Booking Policy:

- A confirmation will be sent requesting a 20% deposit of the Wedding Ceremony Package. Deposit due within 21 days of receipt of confirmation
- Final monies are due 30 days prior to arrival.

- All deposits are non-refundable for cancellations between 60 and 30 days prior to arrival
- 50% payment required for cancellations between 30 & 14 days prior to arrival
- Full payment required for cancellations below 14 days prior to arrival

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Basic Package inclusions:

- Celebrant Fees, Marriage License & Certificate
- Lodgement of Wedding Notice
- ✤ Wedding Co-ordination Fee
- ✤ Witness (if required)
- Brides Bouquet/Groomsman's Buttonhole
- ✤ Wedding Cake for Two

#### NETT COST: AUD 1600.00 total

Conditions:

- Confirmation of accommodation must be made prior to booking Wedding Package
- Rate subject to availability at the time of booking
- Surcharges will apply to any special requirements.
- Optional extras are available.

Booking Policy:

- A confirmation will be sent requesting a 20% deposit of the Wedding Ceremony Package. Deposit due within 21 days of receipt of confirmation
- Final monies are due 30 days prior to arrival.

- All deposits are non-refundable for cancellations between 60 and 30 days prior to arrival
- 50% payment required for cancellations between 30 & 14 days prior to arrival
- Full payment required for cancellations below 14 days prior to arrival