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Bella Vista Lodge

WEDDING BROCHURE

Congratulations on your recent engagement and welcome to Bella Vista Lodge.

We officially opened in 2010, providing Tauranga with an exclusive and unique wedding venue. Bella Vista Lodge is nestled amongst the picturesque hills of Ohauti and captures stunning panoramic views over the entire Bay of Plenty.

Our vision for Bella Vista Lodge was not only to create a wonderfully intimate atmosphere for your celebration but a one stop wedding venue destination. We have it all, everything from a stunning location, exclusivity, ceremony venue, reception venue, 20 acres of beautiful countryside for photo opportunities, luxury accommodation, lavish lodge setting for the bridal party to get ready, in-house wedding planner and décor options, guest activities, sensational cuisine and beverages and high quality professional staff and service.

We have two venues on site: an intimate boutique style lodge perfect for a guest list up to 70 and a purpose built function centre equipped to cater up to 250 guests. Our wedding packages cover the use of one or both venues.

The lodge is ideal for small intimate weddings offering a wide range of indoor and outdoor ceremony options and a lovely space for a reception. It also features four luxury accommodation rooms making it the perfect option for the night before or night of your wedding. It is a place where you can relax, get pampered and enjoy the warm ambience.

We also have our attractive purpose built Function Centre, complete with a large open fire place, polished rimu floors and an impressive bar. This venue offers an idyllic spacious area allowing for a comfortable setting and fun atmosphere.

At Bella Vista Lodge we have a dedicated team that understands the importance of your wedding and will go to great lengths to ensure everything is perfect for you and your guests.

I can assure you that Bella Vista Lodge is the ultimate in privacy, tranquility and indulgence. We welcome you to come up (by appointment only please) and view this amazing venue we have to offer for yourself.

In the following pages I have outlined our wedding packages. Please contact myself or the team if you have any queries or if you just want a chat about your special day.

I hope to hear from you soon

Wishing you happy and stress-free wedding preparations.

Warm regards,



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WEDDING PACKAGES

Lodge or Function Centre: 4 hour Package

Choose from our Function Centre or Lodge for the duration of 4 hours.

Pamper your guests with champagne on arrival and continuous canapés throughout the four hour duration. Deliver your ceremony with elegance in the beautiful Bella Vista gardens overlooking the Bay of Plenty or on a winter's day create a cozy warm surrounding by having your ceremony inside around our large open fire place.

Sunday to Thursday- \$1,500 GST Inclusive

Friday & Saturday (May- September) - \$1,500 GST Inclusive

Lodge: 11am-12midnight

The Lodge is an intimate boutique style abode, perfect for a small intimate wedding of up to 70 guests.

At 11am arrive with the girls to the lodge and relax in style, getting all hair and make-up done on-site while indulging in champagne and our fine cuisine.

Emerge from the upstairs of the lodge down the spiral staircase to wow your guests. Choose from our cascading outdoor water feature or the large open fire place to deliver your ceremony, then enjoy the evening with your guests in the warm ambience of the our beautiful lodge.

Sunday to Thursday- \$2,500 GST inclusive

Friday- \$3,000 GST inclusive

Saturday- \$3,500 GST inclusive

Function Centre: 11am- 12midnight

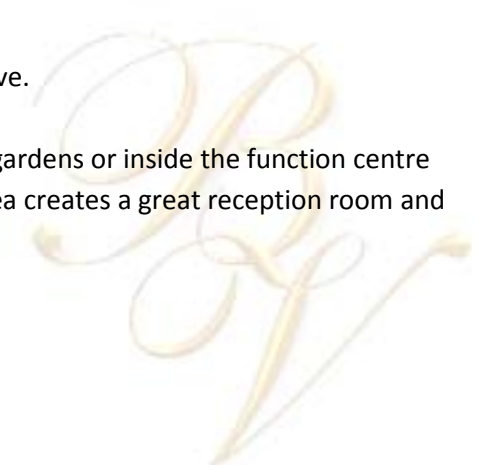
Our spacious function centre is ideal for weddings with a guest list of 70 and above.

Arrive by style, helicopter or limo, and carry out your ceremony in our beautiful gardens or inside the function centre around the large open fire place and polished rimu floors. The idyllic spacious area creates a great reception room and can be transformed to suit your theme.

Sunday to Thursday- \$2,000 GST inclusive

Friday- \$2,500 GST inclusive

Saturday- \$3,000 GST inclusive



Exclusive Use: Lodge & Function Centre - 11am- 12midnight

To secure exclusive venue use and to really enjoy the best of everything that Bella Vista Lodge has to offer book the venue in its entirety for the ultimate wedding (ideal for a guest list above 70).

Arrive at Bella Vista Lodge at 11am with the girls and get pampered by our specialized services. Indulge in champagne and our famous Bella Vista antipasto platter while relaxing in the lodge and getting ready at your leisure.

Later in the afternoon, guests are welcomed with a glass of champagne or punch served by our professional staff.

Enter with elegance, down the rimu spiral staircase and deliver your ceremony in our beautiful gardens overlooking the entire Bay of Plenty or inside the warm ambiance of our lodge.

After the ceremony, the bridal party may choose to move down into the 20 acres of lush countryside to get photos or utilize the photo opportunities in our boutique style abode while guests relax around the lodge being served canapés and celebratory drinks and have the option of playing snooker, croquet or petanque.

Later in the evening, move up to our function centre for the reception and really wow your guests.

Enjoy our fine cuisine, plated or buffet style, you choose it's your day! From here, celebrate and dance the night away.

Sunday to Thursday- \$4,000 GST inclusive

Friday- \$4,500 GST inclusive

Saturday- \$5,000 GST inclusive

All packages Include:

- All staff
- Set up & clean-up
- Cake table, cake stand & cake knife
- Bridal party picnic hamper
- Signing registry table
- Easel to display seating plan
- Use of high quality indoor & outdoor sound system
- Use of snooker, croquet and petanque
- All table linen & napkins
- Tables & chairs
- Cutlery & plates
- Glassware

You may wish to build on these packages with additional extras: luxury accommodation for up to 8 guests, helicopter transfers for the bride and groom and luxury coach transfers for your guests, to name a few.

Please contact our wedding coordinator if you are interested in additional requirements.

REFRESHMENTS

Please refer to our beverage list for your refreshment options.

MENU

Our experienced and well renowned caterers are more than happy to spend time with you to design a menu with your thoughts in mind. Please view our sample menus on our website.





IDEAL ITINERARY FOR YOUR SPECIAL DAY

11.00am- Bride arrives at Bella Vista Lodge and gets ready at her leisure

3.30pm- Guests arrive to Bella Vista Lodge, champagne or punch served on arrival

4.00pm- Wedding ceremony commences

4.30pm- Wedding ceremony concludes

4.45-5.45pm - Canapés served- During this time guests mingle with celebratory drinks and canapés with the option of playing snooker, petanque or croquet. Wedding party has photos with photographer.

6.00pm- Guests seated for reception

6.30pm- Mains served- your choice of menu designed with chef

7.15pm- Speeches & cutting of cake

8.00pm- Dessert

8.30pm-12 midnight- Dance, our music or yours, with the option of a live band

12midnight- Depart from Bella Vista Lodge



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. How many numbers can Bella Vista cater for?

We can cater from 10-300 guests.

Q. Can we view the facilities?

Yes, viewing days are every Friday and 1st Saturday of every month, by appointment only. Please contact us to arrange a convenient day and time- Ph: +64 7 570 0100 or email: inquiries@bellavistalodge.co.nz

Q. Does Bella Vista Lodge offer car parking?

Bella Vista Lodge has large parking areas for all private vehicles. You may wish to use a deluxe coach to bring your guests to the lodge and return. All transportation can be arranged for you, please discuss further with our management.

Q. Does Bella Vista Lodge have accommodation?

Yes, we have four double luxury rooms on-site - 8 guests max.

Q. Are children welcome?

Yes, children are more than welcome providing they are supervised by a parent/guardian. We offer a children's menu for \$25.00.

Q. Do you offer décor packages and individual items such as chair covers and table centre pieces?

Yes, we have a range of in-house décor items which is available for hire. Please discuss further with your coordinator.

Q. Do you recommend services such as photographers, florist, celebrant, music, cake etc?

Yes, we have a great recommendation list of frequently used services which you receive upon booking.

Q. Can we BYO wine?

You can BYO champagne only with a corkage fee of \$15.00 per bottle opened.

Q. Can we bring in our own caterers?

No, however our caterers are happy to work with you and tailor a menu to suit your food requirements and budget.

Q. Do you cater for dietary requirements?

Yes certainly, our chef will cater for any dietary needs.

Q. Can we have our wedding cake for dessert?

Yes, certainly. We can also serve your cake with mixed berries and cream or ice cream.

Q. Do you offer a wet weather ceremony option?

Yes, both the lodge and function centre offer great wet weather options around an open fire place.

Q. To confirm our booking, what deposit is required and what is the payment procedures?

To confirm your requested date, we require the venue hire amount as a non-refundable deposit. Food, accessed beverage cost, and any additional requirements are paid 5 days prior to your function. Any outstanding balance is paid on departure. We require final guest's numbers 15 days prior to your function.

