



*Wedding Information – 2018 / 2019 Season*



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# Welcome to Palm Beach Estate



*An idyllic and private location for your unique wedding.*

*Offering a beautiful and lush four-acre subtropical garden setting, being the perfect venue to host your special day - whether your dream wedding is a formal or informal affair.*

*You, and your guests, will enjoy the tranquillity of this private setting.*

*We offer exclusive use of all facilities during your stay, as we only accept one booking at a time, allowing you the space and privacy to create a momentous celebration.*

*A short ferry ride from various Auckland ports, Palm Beach Estate is the perfect canvas to create a tranquil, cosy and intimate wedding.*





## *How it works*

*Palm Beach Estate is a fully serviced private venue with a number of function spaces as well as entertaining areas for gatherings before and after the wedding day.*

*Our venue consists of three private homes and a hire business that provides equipment, furniture and wedding extras you'll need for the ceremony and reception.*

*We are a venue hire business that also offers accommodation and full event support for your wedding.*

*Stay a while and make the most of your time on this island paradise and plan a multiple day wedding.*

*We also have accommodation onsite, allowing you to be able to keep your family and friends together for the duration of your Waiheke stay.*

*Our venue offers plenty of entertaining space to host gatherings before and after the big day.*

*A bit of pampering while you are here, soak in the Balinese-style saltwater spa pool, take in the sunset views with drinks on the Garden Terrace, enjoy a nightcap at the Garden Bar or a delicious Waiheke wine by the Atrium's ambient fireplace.*

*If it's adventure you seek.. We are located close to Palm Beach, in the heart of Waiheke Island, so we're a stone's throw away from the adventures and activities that Waiheke has to offer.*

## *Types of weddings we can host*

- 1. Small and intimate weddings*
- 2. Larger weddings for up to 150 guests*
- 3. Outdoor weddings set in a sub-tropical garden*
- 4. Indoor weddings in one of our impressive function spaces*
- 5. Formal weddings with seated ceremony and reception*
- 6. Informal weddings with standing ceremony and cocktail- style reception*

## *Why make us your choice?*

- Multiple ceremony, reception and entertaining spaces, venue set-up, event support, catering options and onsite accommodation all making it easy and stress-free to organise your wedding.*
- Exclusive use of the venue, facilities and gardens, so you'll enjoy a totally private and intimate setting for the duration of your stay.*
- Convenient and cost-effective, as we are a BYO venue your alcohol costs are kept down.*
- And, having accommodation and event set-up onsite, as well as reputable partners in wedding-related services, it takes a whole lot of coordination and stress off your hands... leaving you to focus on enjoying the lead-up to your special day*



## *Ceremony Spaces*

### *Ceremony Lawn*

*The Ceremony Lawn is a popular location for an outdoor wedding ceremony. It is a large and flat grassy area in front of the Lodge House, and is surrounded by impressive tall native trees and sub-tropical gardens. A range of outdoor furniture can be set up on the Ceremony Lawn including lounge suites, bar leaners and stools as well as a range of ceremony chairs.*

*Outdoor garden tables with umbrellas and stylish gazebos offer protection on sunny days, and a mobile bar can be set up to service guests before and after the ceremony.*



### *Garden Terrace*

*The Garden Terrace (and courtyard behind) is a picturesque spot with elevated views of the Lodge and spectacular surrounding bush and gardens, making it a wonderful location for a small seated wedding ceremony or a larger wedding with plenty of standing room*

*The Garden Terrace gets the sun all- day, and there are four entrance paths through the lush sub-tropical gardens. The bride can choose one of these paths to make a discreet entrance. And for wedding photographs - your wedding will be immersed in gorgeous greenery and native foliage.*





## The Solarium

The Solarium is our recommended space to have your wedding reception. It is an enclosed room that features an 80sqm heated polished concrete floor that keeps the space warm in winter and cool in summer. Doubling as a dance and entertainment space, the Solarium has two large cedar doors that are 2.7 metres high. When these sliding doors are open, the area combines with the Pavilion to become a 180sqm open-plan space with an impressive stud height of 4 metres. This space is best utilised as a reception room which can then be easily reconfigured to a dance and party zone afterwards.

Special features include:

1. 75-inch TV with SKY TV and Netflix
2. Multicolour LED lights
3. Integrated sound system to play your own music
4. High-stud room with plenty of windows
5. Skylights to allow in natural light
6. Lovely views of the garden and bush
7. Heated polished concrete floors
8. Temperature control / air conditioning
9. Sound-insulated materials for noise reduction

Size: 80sqm (180sqm when combined with the Pavilion)

Height: 4-5m

Capacity: 60 for a seated banquet (up to 150 when combined with the Pavilion)

## **Reception + Entertaining Spaces**



### The Garden Bar

The Garden Bar is a lovely place for socialising. This uniquely-shaped concrete bar is surrounded by impressive LED lighting creating a fantastic ambience at night. This space is weatherproof all year round, and heated marble floors keeps this space warm in the cooler months. Sitting behind the bar is a storage area that houses two commercial-sized fridges, plenty of storage space for your beverages.

## The Pavilion

The Pavilion creates a dramatic backdrop for your reception function.

It features beautiful old rustic beams that support the roof, and the space has large windows and three glass doors that bring in the beautiful garden views. Hanging baskets of tropical plants suspend from the roof, and at night, large palm-like towers create a spectacular ambience with their multi-coloured LED lighting.

A central garden just below the Garden Terrace, which features a single tall nikau palm surrounded by large palms, sets the Pavilion off wonderfully.

Special features include:

1. Heated marble floors in the Pavilion (around the bar)
2. Large windows and glass doors enclose the space
3. Views of the garden and bush
4. Wheelchair access
5. 2 outdoor toilets

Size: 100sqm

Height: 4-5m

Capacity: 150 for a seated banquet (includes Solarium and Lodge House Lounge)

## *The Atrium*

*The architecturally designed Atrium boasts an impressive open fireplace and hardwood floors. A flexible space with luxurious leather sofas making it ideal for lounging in front of the fireplace.*

*The Atrium has the best views of the tropical garden - both in front of the Lodge House and up to the surrounding bush behind. The room is also lined by indoor tropical foliage.*

*The Atrium has windows and skylights made of laminated sound-insulated glass, and a superior sound system that suits a DJ or band. Alternatively, this area can be set up as a chill-out zone with a more relaxed vibe.*

*All in all, the Atrium is a superb entertaining area for your wedding party.*

*The Atrium is also ideal for a ceremony on days when the weather makes it a challenge to have an outdoor wedding.*

*Special features include:*

- 1. High-stud room with plenty of windows*
- 2. Plenty of natural light from large windows and skylights*
- 3. Superior sound system*
- 4. Rustic stone fireplace*
- 5. Leather lounge suites*
- 6. Views of the garden, bush and Garden Terrace*
- 7. Sound-insulated materials for noise reduction*

*Size: 70sqm floor area*

*Height: 4m*

*Capacity: 40 for a seated banquet*





## *Other Entertaining Areas*

### *The Lodge House Lounge*

*A flexible open plan space that can be used as a smaller dining area or a comfortable lounge room.*

*Large sliding cedar doors opens this room out into the Pavilion, creating an even larger functions space. We can furnish it with lounge suites to create a pleasant spot where you can relax and enjoy beautiful views of the garden and surrounding bush. Guests can also be entertained with SKY TV or Netflix or screen their own entertainment through the built-in projector.*

*Special features include:*

- 1. Data projector with large electronic screen*
- 2. 65-inch TV with SKY TV and Netflix*
- 3. Surrounded by windows with garden and bush views*
- 4. Temperature control / air conditioning*
- 5. Built-in LED lighting with multi-colour functionality*

*Size: 65sqm floor area*

*Height: 3m*

### *The Guest House Lounge*

*The Guest House, located about 80m away from the Lodge House, has a large lounge that's available for use, allowing the bride and groom to prepare for the ceremony in separate spaces.*

*Special features include:*

- 1. Private space located in a separate house*
- 2. Table that seats 8 people*
- 3. Lounge seating that seats 8-10 people*
- 4. Fully equipped kitchen*
- 5. Large-screen TV with SKY TV and Netflix*
- 6. Wood burner*
- 7. Elevated views of the surrounds and bush views*
- 8. Temperature control / air conditioning*

### *Spa Pool and Gardens*

*Set in the beautifully landscaped sub-tropical gardens is a private saltwater spa pool. The spa pool is equipped with a built-in stereo system with blue-tooth capability, as well as LED lighting with multi-colour settings. At night, the garden takes on a magical feel that's wonderful for alfresco dining. Outdoor facilities and pathways are well-lit at night with coloured lighting. Look out for large water urns and outdoor sculptures dotted around the gardens.*

### *Front Terrace*

*In the front of the Lodge House is our Front Terrace with seating for 8-9 people around an outdoor wooden table. A large umbrella (4sqm in size) provides sun and rain protection.*

*This sunny location has direct access to the kitchen, and has views of the front garden and commanding views of the valley and out to Rocky Bay*



## *Accommodation*

*Palm Beach Estate has three houses onsite - the Lodge House, Guest House and Nikau Cottage.*

*The accommodation rate gives you exclusive use of the Lodge facilities including the Atrium, the Solarium, two additional lounges, two kitchens, the saltwater spa pool and grounds.*

*The Lodge House features 4 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms accommodating 10 guests (share-twin) or 4 guests (single occupancy). 1 bedroom with 2 king-size beds that can split into 4 singles and 3 bedrooms with 1 king-size bed that split into 2 singles.*

*The Guest House features 5 bedrooms and 3 bathrooms (2 are en-suites) accommodation 11 guests (share-twin) or 5 guests (single occupancy). 1 bedroom with a queen-size bed and 1 single bed and 4 bedrooms with king-size beds that split into singles.*

*Nikau Cottage offers guests a rustic Bach experience typical of Waiheke Island. The house has 3 double bedrooms that sleeps up to 8 people (shared occupancy) as well as a small kitchen, lounge and shared bathroom. The large outdoor deck gets all-day sun with beautiful views of the Estates grounds and surrounding bush.*

*All bedrooms are fitted with Hotel-quality bed linen and bathrobes, with an ample supply of towels, body wash, shampoo, conditioner. Irons, clothes steamer and hair dryers are also provided.*





## *Additional Accommodation*

*Off-site accommodation can also be arranged for you and your guests.*

*Waiheke Unlimited has been providing unique and exquisite homes to hundreds of guests for the past 20 years. With a varied bouquet of homes available we can cater to any requirement whether it be luxurious, up-market, comfortable or cosy and quaint accommodation that you and your guests are after.*





## Wedding Details

*There are details related to the wedding that will determine the rate charged by Palm Beach Estate. Once you have this information, get in contact for a quote.*

### 1. Dates of wedding

*High season runs from Labour weekend in October until the end of April, and low season is from May until the weekend before Labour weekend.*

*If you are planning a wedding for the high-season period, we highly recommend getting in contact to secure your dates. Waiheke is a popular place for weddings, and high season typically means that wedding venues on the island are in short supply.*

### 2. Type of wedding

*A formal wedding consists of a sit-down ceremony and reception, and catering for a three-course meal with a full table setting.*

*An informal wedding is a simpler and more cost-effective option where guests stand during the ceremony, and dining options are more casual.*

### 3. Number of guests

*Another factor to consider is the number of guests who will be attending the wedding. This will affect the cost of the venue set-up as well as catering costs.*

### 4. Accommodation

*It will be helpful to know how many of your guests will be requiring accommodation on-site or nearby.*



### Included in the Wedding Rates:

*Full and exclusive hire of the venue and its reception spaces including the Atrium, Solarium, Pavilion, as well as the extensive grounds and lawns surrounding the Lodge.*

*Full hire of the Garden Bar with two commercial fridges for your beverage storage, plus bar staff for the reception*

*Two dedicated event coordinators to assist with the ceremony and reception set-up*

*For formal weddings only, we include full set-up including table-settings of glassware, crockery, cutlery, champagne buckets and water jugs for all tables, Plus tables (banquet and/or trestle tables) and chairs (a selection to choose from) for the reception. Note that linen (tablecloths and napkins) is additional.*

*For informal weddings, we include a selection of outdoor furniture set up for the ceremony plus bar leaners and stools for the reception.*

*An excellent stereo system setup with 15 speakers in 5 zones, connectable to iPod, iPhone, or MP3 players*

*A late-model espresso machine is available for use, supplied with Allpress coffee beans*

*Optional props and extras, including: Signing table with tablecloth, Several large vases for your own flowers, Reception welcoming easel to display table groupings, Shade umbrella and armless chairs for ceremony musicians.*



### *Pricing guideline*

#### *Weddings minimum spend for peak season (mid October – end April)*

*Up to 40 guests \$10,500 + gst*

*Up to 50 guests \$11,500 + gst*

*Up to 60 guests \$12,500 + gst*

*Up to 70 guests \$13,500 + gst*

*Up to 80 guests \$14,500 + gst*

*Up to 90 guests \$15,500 + gst*

*Up to 100 guests \$16,800 + gst*

*Up to 120 guests \$18,600 + gst*

**Note:** *Off-peak discount may apply to the above rates.*





## Catering

*We highly recommend using one of our three partner caterers. Both have extremely good reputations and are familiar with the Estates operations and staff. We provide a full table-setting service when you choose the onsite catering. Catering arrangements, rates and staff need to be confirmed directly with the caterer of your choice.*

*Our preferred partners are:*

*1. Gill Stotter Catering - [gillstottercatering.co.nz](http://gillstottercatering.co.nz)*

*Gill Stotter Catering have an excellent reputation for delivering beautifully-presented and tasty seasonal food. Led by Emma Sinclair, Gill Stotter Catering have been in the catering business for over 30 years and they work closely with their clients to craft the perfect fare for any occasion. Their personal style is about creating delicious shared platters as well as plated meals for a more formal occasion.*

*2. Luxe Waiheke - [luxewaiheke.co.nz](http://luxewaiheke.co.nz)*

*Luxe Waiheke offer a fully bespoke service for your wedding day catering needs. Formed, and led by internationally renowned chef Anthony McNamara, Luxe offer some of the most delicious menus around. They can deliver any style of menu you require from feasting style to formal multi-course degustation and buffets. Absolutely nothing phases them. Having been a private chef for prime ministers, pop stars and princesses, as well as an award-winning chef and restaurateur, and with over twenty-five years' experience at the highest level all over the world, you can be confident that you and your guests are in the very best of hands with Luxe Waiheke.*

*3. Urban Escargot - [urbanescargot.co.nz](http://urbanescargot.co.nz)*

*Nico Fini owns and runs Urban Escargot, one of Waiheke's most popular catering companies. Hailing from France, where he trained as a chef, Nico incorporates French influences into his menu, while adding the fresh local flavours of New Zealand produce. Urban Escargot deliver excellent food that wows, delights and satisfies, while understanding the importance of great service.*

*This is great food, served in a highly professional manner.*



# Wedding Extras

## Included in the Wedding rates:

### *Runners.*

*We have three 9-metre plush black runners for the Ceremony Lawn. Please note that the use of the runners is dependent on the weather.*

*Ceremony chairs. We have a range of stylish ceremony chairs available for hire, which we will set up for your wedding.*

*Outdoor furniture. We have elegant lounge suites that are ideal on the Ceremony Lawn. We also have outdoor table and chairs that can be used for a casual set up on the lawn.*

*Bar on the lawn. A bar (trestle table with linen) can be set up on the lawn, with ice buckets and glassware. Bar leaners and stools. Our bar leaners are made with waterproof weave and come with six stools each. They're ideal furniture for the lawn and a good option for informal weddings.*

*Umbrellas and gazebos. Our outdoor umbrellas are made with off-white linen and a wooden framework and have a 4m2 coverage. They can be set up with wooden outdoor tables and chairs. Stylish gazebos can also be used to provide shelter from sun and light showers.*

*Reception speakers. Larger speakers are built into the Solarium and Atrium and produce superior sound for DJs and bands. These speakers are separate to the Lodge multi-zone system, allowing different music to be played. A mixer is also included in the Solarium plus we have a portable speaker & mic combo - ideals for the ceremony lawn - that you can hire.*

*Firewood. We can supply firewood for the Atrium's fireplace to create a lovely atmosphere in the evening.*





### Additional Requirements

*These items are not part of Palm Beach Estates offering and will need to be arranged if required:*

Decorations and props: *If you are planning a formal wedding, center-pieces are a great enhancement to the table settings. You will need to organise decorations for the ceremony and reception including center-pieces, flowers and props you'd like for your wedding.*

Styling: *We highly recommend My Waiheke Wedding for the design and styling of your wedding - [mywaiheke.co.nz](http://mywaiheke.co.nz) or find more centrepieces at [centrepiece.co.nz](http://centrepiece.co.nz).*

Beverages: *Palm Beach Estate is a BYO venue for alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. Please supply all your own beverages. As part of our wedding package, we offer a staffed bar to cater to your reception needs. No corkage charges apply. You can order beverages from the Waiheke Wine Centre, and get it delivered to the Estate in time for your wedding. You can return any alcohol not consumed and you'll be charged to your credit card afterwards less returned alcohol - [waihekewinecentre.com](http://waihekewinecentre.com)*

Transportation: *There are numerous transport providers on the island, including Waiheke Executive Cabs - [waiheketransport.co.nz](http://waiheketransport.co.nz) who have a large selection of mini buses and vans. If you intend booking for two nights or more, we recommend hiring a car or van on the island or bring your own car over on the Sealink car ferry.*

Wedding celebrant: *Herewith a list of our preferred wedding celebrants.*

*Barbara Bellis - [barbarabellisnz@gmail.com](mailto:barbarabellisnz@gmail.com), Irene Armstrong - [irenearmstrong.co.nz](http://irenearmstrong.co.nz) and Helen Oakes - [helenoakes.co.nz](http://helenoakes.co.nz)*

Photography: *for stunning wedding photography, we recommend using one of these island-based Waiheke photographers.*

*Peter Rees - [peterreesphotography.com](http://peterreesphotography.com), Sonja Read - [sonjaread.com](http://sonjaread.com), Michelle Hepburn - [michellehepburn.com](http://michellehepburn.com) and Emma Hughes - [emmahughes.co.nz](http://emmahughes.co.nz)*

And for a fun idea: *we recommend the Amazing Travelling Photo Booth as a great way to capture photographs of your family and friends throughout the day and night - [theamazingtravellingphotobooth.co.nz](http://theamazingtravellingphotobooth.co.nz)*

Flowers: *A wedding would not be complete without beautiful flower arrangements to decorate the venue and of course the all-important bouquet for the bride and bridal party. Here are some of our favourites:*

*Wildflower - [wildflowerwaiheke.com](http://wildflowerwaiheke.com), Waiheke Flower Gallery - [waihekeflowergallery.co.nz](http://waihekeflowergallery.co.nz) and Waiheke Flower Company - [waihekeflorist.co.nz](http://waihekeflorist.co.nz)*

## *Booking your event*

*Email the team at Waiheke Unlimited to ensure your dates required are available.*

*A longer stay on Waiheke Island can make all the difference, giving you time to relax, pamper and prepare for your memorable ceremony and reception day.*

*Our most popular booking includes the dates either side of your wedding day allowing guests the opportunity to prepare, as well as enjoy the surroundings and the island during their time on Waiheke.*

*A BBQ lunch the day after the wedding is a popular option - it offers you and your guests the full enjoyment of our facilities and picturesque environment.*

*Provide us with all the information requested in the Brochure and we will prepare a quote just for you.*

*For accommodation on-site a reduced accommodation rate for three or more nights can be provided.*

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