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## PAPHOS WEDDING COMPANY

Leading Independent Wedding Planners

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# WELCOME

## ABOUT US

Paphos Wedding Company, founded in 2006, is a family-owned business with British roots that operates in Cyprus. We are a fully registered Cypriot limited company and hold a VAT registration. Our team is passionate about weddings, and we are proud to call Paphos our home and workplace. This deep connection with the area and our extensive knowledge of local businesses enable us to provide you with invaluable insights and recommendations when it comes to selecting the perfect venue and suppliers for your special day.

## LONG ESTABLISHED

As one of the most established and independent wedding planners in Paphos, we have a rich history of orchestrating countless beautiful weddings spanning the past 17 years. Our reputation is built on our unwavering commitment to providing a highly personalised service and an acute attention to detail. We take great pride in going the extra mile to ensure that every aspect of your special day is flawless. What sets us apart is our policy of dedicating ourselves exclusively to one wedding per day, allowing us to offer undivided attention to each couple from start to finish.

Through the years, we have witnessed the emergence and eventual departure of many wedding planning companies. Yet, we have remained a steadfast presence, even in the face of the devastating pandemic that shook the hospitality and wedding industry in Cyprus in 2020. Our enduring commitment to our couples and our craft has kept us resilient and dedicated to creating memorable wedding experiences.

## OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

Our goal is to ensure that your wedding day is the absolute best it can be – a day for you to fully unwind, savour the moment, and cherish in your memories forever.

## WHY CHOOSE CYPRUS?

Cyprus offers an enchanting backdrop for weddings with its excellent weather, breathtaking landscapes, and a diverse selection of venues, all accompanied by



streamlined legal procedures. Beyond the picturesque setting, you'll also enjoy significant cost savings compared to your home country while treating both you and your guests to a splendid sun-soaked holiday.

As Europe's

leading wedding destination, Cyprus boasts an impressive array of suppliers capable of delivering everything you desire for your dream wedding. From exquisite floral arrangements, delectable cakes, and stunning venues to remarkable décor and a wide array of entertainment options, your wedding dreams can become a reality.

**"IF I GET MARRIED, I WANT  
TO BE VERY MARRIED"**

Audrey Hepburn



# MEET THE TEAM

## SUE

I'm Sue Hall, the co-owner and founder of our company. My journey began when I relocated to Cyprus in 2005 and, inspired by the experience of organising my eldest daughter's



wedding in 2006, I decided to establish this company. I discovered a deep passion for what I do, finding joy in the unique challenges each day presents and the immense satisfaction of creating perfect wedding days for

couples. A few years later, I also launched our sister company, Best Wedding Banners, specialising in designing and printing beautiful wedding signs, table stationery, and favours not only for our weddings but also for other weddings and wedding planners in Cyprus.

## KATIE

Meet Katie Morley, not only my youngest daughter but also my business partner and fellow wedding planner. In 2018, she tied the knot at Minthis and has embarked on the journey of homeownership with her husband, Liam.



## WE WERE ON TV!

Our presence on the Channel 4 TV series "Sun, Sea and Brides to Be," which documented wedding planners in Cyprus, was a notable

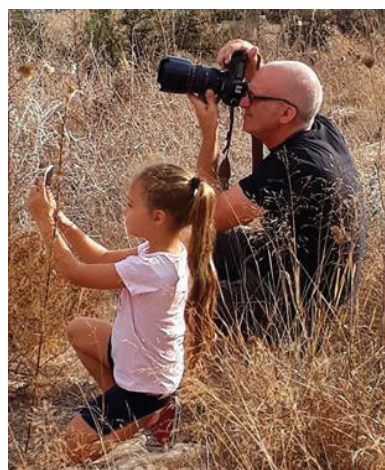


milestone. The series was recorded in 2017 and made its debut in March 2019, providing an opportunity to

witness us in action at genuine live weddings.

## LEE

Lee Stevens is our exceptionally skilled stills photographer. With numerous years of experience as a professional wedding photographer, he ranks among the best in Cyprus. Alongside his wife, who operates an



outdoor event company, Lee thrives in the Cyprus environment, relishing outdoor activities year-round. When he's not capturing beautiful wedding moments, you'll often find him engaged in

energetic pursuits like rock climbing, cycling, kayaking, skiing, and hiking, all set against the stunning backdrop of the Cypriot countryside. It's worth noting that Lee and Lucy celebrated their own wedding a few years ago at Gliki Nero Bay in Cyprus, and, naturally, we coordinated the wedding while James handled the photography.

## JAMES & ILDI

James Morrall is our other gifted stills photographer, and he also excels as a videographer. He and Lee work together as a team. James shares his professional journey with his wife, Ildi, and they



celebrated their marriage in Cyprus at Vasilias Nikoklis. Ildi, who goes by the stage name Indigo, is a professional singer with a stunning voice, making her an ideal choice as a wedding singer.

**"ALONE WE CAN DO SO LITTLE,  
TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH"**

Helen Keller



## DEE

Denise Holman frequently serves as Lee's 'second shooter' at our weddings. She is a highly skilled and enthusiastic photographer who seemingly never tires, an impressive feat considering our photographers typically work non-stop for 8-10 hours at an average wedding. Dee is not only passionate about photography but also an experienced scuba diver. During the off-season, when the wedding season comes to a close, she and her husband embark on exciting journeys around the world, exploring the depths of the oceans.



## MARCOS

Meet Mark Derbyshire, our incredible DJ, known as Magical Marcos, who also happens to be a skilled close-up magician. With a background as an entertainment director on



cruise ships for many years, Mark is a versatile entertainer with a remarkable singing

voice. His one indulgence is collecting lights, continually enhancing his professional DJ equipment with new sets. We've playfully challenged him to find a music track he doesn't possess, but so far, we haven't succeeded, as it seems he has an extensive library of every recorded track.

## MARIA

Allow me to introduce Maria Vamvatsouli, our delightful and highly artistic florist. Maria's floral creations are nothing short of breathtaking, reflecting her incredible talent. She's known for her unwavering dedication and reliability, always going the extra mile to ensure client satisfaction. Maria's expertise extends to

providing flowers for grand Cypriot weddings, often hosting several thousand guests. It's not uncommon for her to craft 40 centrepieces and a multitude of other arrangements, sometimes working tirelessly through the night in preparation for weddings. Her shop is a veritable treasure trove, brimming with an extensive



assortment of vases, candles, flower stands, and various props, many of which she designs and crafts herself. Furthermore, her expansive walk-in fridge, particularly in the scorching summer, serves as a refreshing haven we often find ourselves seeking refuge in

## TEAM PHOTO

Here's a team photo capturing some of us at a wedding reception held at the Last Castle, along with one of the dedicated wedding drivers from Jack & Sons. The Last Castle, nestled in the heart of the Akamas Nature Reserve with no civilisation in sight for miles, compelled us to partake in a delightful lunch – a demanding task, but it had to be done!



**I AM YOUR**

**#weddingqueen**



# WHY USE AN INDEPENDENT PLANNER?

## YOUR OPTIONS

Getting married in Cyprus offers you plenty of options:-

1. Use an independent wedding planner
2. Book through a large tour operator
3. Use venue/hotel event staff
4. Do it all yourself

Each of these choices comes with its own set of advantages and disadvantages that warrant careful consideration. Notably, tour operators often impose a 20-30% commission on external suppliers for wedding services, like flowers, transportation, decorations, and photography.

Additionally, they may limit your options by requiring you to use their preferred suppliers due to commission agreements. It's worth noting that tour operators primarily focus on selling holidays and may offer limited personal service due to the volume of business they handle.

**Planning a DIY wedding** can be both highly stressful and time-consuming, particularly when you're thousands of miles away from your chosen destination. The average wedding necessitates over 300 hours of planning, and it's essential to consider whether you have the time to spare. Many brides often turn to Facebook groups for supplier recommendations. However, it's crucial to keep in mind that most of these brides haven't yet experienced their own weddings, making their recommendations untested. Furthermore, they may have only worked with one supplier of each type, limiting their ability to provide valid comparisons.

It's also important to contemplate the actual wedding day, as you'll be responsible for organising every detail, ensuring smooth operations, and handling supplier payments. Is this a task you want to manage on your special day? Additionally, international payments to various suppliers can be both costly and risky, adding a layer of complexity to your wedding planning journey.

Opting for the **event planner** at your chosen venue can be a viable choice. However, it's important to be aware that commissions are often a part of this arrangement, and it's essential to remember that these planners primarily represent the venue's interests rather than yours. Event planners typically adhere to office hours and may not stay for the entirety of your wedding, in contrast to our commitment to seeing the event through until the first dance or sunset. We take on the responsibility of ensuring all suppliers arrive and fulfil their roles, allowing you to enjoy your special day without any added concerns.

**Independent wedding planners** often provide top-notch service, but it's crucial to acknowledge that service quality can vary among different planners. Therefore, it's advisable to select your planner with care. Additionally, it's wise to ensure that the chosen planner is financially sound and operates under a legitimate legal entity. To safeguard your financial transactions, always make payments into a verified business account rather than a planner's personal bank account. This step ensures transparency and security throughout the planning process.

Becoming wealthy as a wedding planner isn't the goal; it's more of a calling than a job. While we do charge for our services, the wedding planning profession is exceedingly labor-intensive. We dedicate numerous hours to responding to emails, phone calls, devising wedding plans, coordinating weddings and suppliers, often working during unconventional hours. Our income is generated during a few months of the year, and the remainder is spent on tasks like website updates, accounting, scouting new venues, managing VAT returns, and various administrative duties that go with running a small business,





# GOOD REASONS TO BOOK WITH US

- ♥ With 17 years of experience, we are a respected and long-standing business that has orchestrated numerous weddings. Our track record is supported by a wealth of testimonials from satisfied couples.
  - ♥ You can reach us in Cyprus at our UK phone number (07851 643523), which means you'll only incur UK call rates. Additionally, we are accessible through iPhone message, Messenger, FaceTime, and WhatsApp and of course email.
  - ♥ Our commitment is solely to you, the couple. We're not affiliated with any venue or hotel, ensuring that your best interests are at the forefront of our focus, making your wedding our top priority.
  - ♥ Transparency is our core principle. We function as a fully registered limited company, holding VAT registration, and maintain a dedicated company bank account, reflecting our commitment to openness and integrity.
  - ♥ We're delighted to arrange meetings with you for tours of potential wedding venues. To discourage misuse of our services as a free tour guide, we do apply a nominal fee. However, this cost is redeemable and will be deducted from your wedding package if you choose to proceed with us.
  - ♥ We maintain complete independence from hotel groups and venue affiliations, allowing us to provide unbiased guidance regarding the extensive range of venues at your disposal. Our selectivity is a hallmark of our service—we only endorse venues that meet our stringent criteria, which may result in us not featuring venues available through other planners. Furthermore, we insist on venues that guarantee the exclusivity of one wedding per day, ensuring that your special day receives the undivided attention it deserves.
  - ♥ Most of our weddings are customised to suit your unique preferences, with plans to match your desires precisely. While we do have pre-designed packages available on our website, please note that these can be adjusted and personalised to align perfectly with your specific needs.
  - ♥ We pride ourselves on our speed and efficiency. Typically, we can confirm dates and venues within 24 hours, and unlike certain other companies, we do not impose additional charges for swift confirmation.
  - ♥ Your wedding and reception date and time will be secured for you prior to any payment. We only request payment after we've verified your booking and sent you a detailed confirmation package via email.
  - ♥ Deciding whether to book the holiday or the wedding first can be a bit of a "chicken and egg" situation for many couples. To simplify this, we offer a solution: we can provisionally secure venues and dates while you finalise your travel plans. If circumstances require a date change, it's not a significant issue as long as the venues remain available, and we don't impose any charges for this flexibility.
  - ♥ Our prices offer great value for money & do not load commission onto everything. Remember we purchase in volume from our suppliers so prices are lower than you would get by booking direct.
- We offer a very high level of personal service, during the pre-wedding period your planner will be there to answer your emails and calls - we aim to answer emails within 24 hours if possible.
- ♥ We provide you with full details about the legal paperwork required, with sample documents where applicable. There is a lot of incorrect information posted on Facebook about this, we know the correct information required by each Town Hall.





♥ Our exclusive selection of suppliers comprises the finest and most reliable professionals with whom we have cultivated long-standing relationships. These are the experts we have collaborated with for many years, spanning cakes, flowers, transportation, decorations, hair and makeup, and music. While they may not be the most budget-friendly options, we are confident in their excellence and unwavering reliability. Your special day deserves nothing less.

♥ Each of our planners dedicates themselves to a single wedding per day, and you often have two planners present to ensure you receive our undivided attention on your special day. This approach allows you to unwind and savour every moment, knowing that your wedding is in capable hands, while you can fully enjoy the day.

♥ Our prices cover the entire cost of the wedding so no nasty surprises when you arrive.

♥ We provide a pre-arrival document verification service to guarantee the acceptance of your paperwork. In cases where we're not sure, we have the documents reviewed by the Marriage Officer at the Town Hall.

♥ We accompany you to the Town Hall to acquire your wedding license ahead of the ceremony. Additionally, we conduct a thorough pre-wedding meeting with every couple at the chosen venue. During this meeting, we confirm scheduling and address any remaining details. It's also an opportunity to introduce you to our photographers, ensuring that everything is well-coordinated and that you feel at ease with the team.



# CEREMONY OPTIONS & LEGAL PAPERS

## LEGAL PAPERWORK - UK & IRISH NATIONALS

The required paperwork for your wedding is relatively straightforward, although specific requirements can slightly vary depending on the Town Hall overseeing the ceremony. Typically, you'll need a valid passport with at least 6 months of validity, and birth certificates may be necessary in some cases.

For English and Welsh couples, a Statutory Declaration, prepared and stamped by a solicitor, is essential. We provide sample documents to assist you with this.

Scottish Nationals should obtain a Certificate of No Impediment from their local registry office, while Irish Nationals will require a Freedom to Marry Certificate from the Department of Foreign Affairs.

In cases where you are divorced, widowed, adopted, or have changed your name by Deed Poll, additional documentation may be necessary to meet the specific requirements.

## POST BREXIT

Paperwork requirements have changed now the UK has left the EU, it is necessary for all legal documents to carry a UK apostille. The marriage certificate will also need an apostille applied in Cyprus this is something we can arrange for you.

## OTHER NATIONALITIES

The paperwork requirements for each country differ, and documents from non English or Greek speaking countries must also be translated into English. Please contact us for full details. If your country is not part of the Schengen agreement the marriage certificate will also need to be apostilled in Cyprus after the wedding, this is something we can arrange for you.

Please note that ceremonies are routinely conducted in English so couples must have a basic understanding of spoken English.

## WITNESSES

You will need 2 witnesses for the ceremony, they must be over 18. If you are eloping alone we can act as witnesses for you, we have done this for many couples!

## CEREMONY OPTIONS

You have the flexibility to opt for a civil ceremony, conducted by a local Town Hall Marriage Officer, which can occur at various locations, including Town Halls, hotels, restaurants, villas, dedicated wedding venues, or even on the beach.

If you prefer a church ceremony, we can arrange Anglican or Catholic ceremonies for you. It's worth noting that the paperwork for Catholic weddings is more intricate, involving a pre-nuptial inquiry process with your local priest. Please allocate at least six months for this procedure.

Catholic weddings necessitate a prior civil marriage ceremony since Catholic priests are not registered marriage officers. Catholic weddings are restricted to church settings, while Anglican weddings can occur in either a church or other approved venues.

Additionally, we offer Vow Renewal Services, both religious and non-religious, as well as Symbolic ceremonies for those wishing to have the legal ceremony elsewhere. Cyprus now permits civil partnerships for same-sex couples, taking place at the District Office.

Whatever type of wedding you desire, we'll guide you through the requisite procedures and paperwork. Notably, UK couples are not obligated to inform their local registry office about the wedding, and Banns do not need to be read for non-Catholic weddings.





## THE CEREMONY

While Civil ceremonies are relatively informal, they do require the exchange of official vows as a legal prerequisite. If you wish to exchange personal vows, these can be incorporated into the ceremony following the legal portion. The typical civil ceremony is rather brief, lasting around 7-10 minutes, and punctuality is essential, so please be on time.

Alternatively, you can opt for a symbolic ceremony, overseen by a professional celebrant. This is a fully personalised ceremony tailored to your preferences. It can either precede or follow a legal ceremony, or you can arrange for the legal ceremony to take place in your home country if that is more convenient for you.



For Church weddings, the traditional Anglican or Catholic marriage service is followed. You have the flexibility to select readings and suitable music to enhance the ceremony as you see fit. Both you and your witnesses will sign three copies of the marriage certificate, brides should sign in their maiden names. You will be given one copy of the certificate at the ceremony. If you think you will need more than one certificate then please inform us before the wedding so we can book this at the license application meeting. There is a small charge for each additional copy.

The marriage is fully legal and recognised under British Law, there is no need to register the marriage or do anything when you get

home.

Symbolic ceremonies can be designed to your exact requirements and can either be conducted by a celebrant, a member of your wedding party or your wedding planner. A symbolic ceremony is not a legal ceremony and it isn't possible to have this in a church or at the Town Hall.

## LENGTH OF YOUR STAY IN CYPRUS

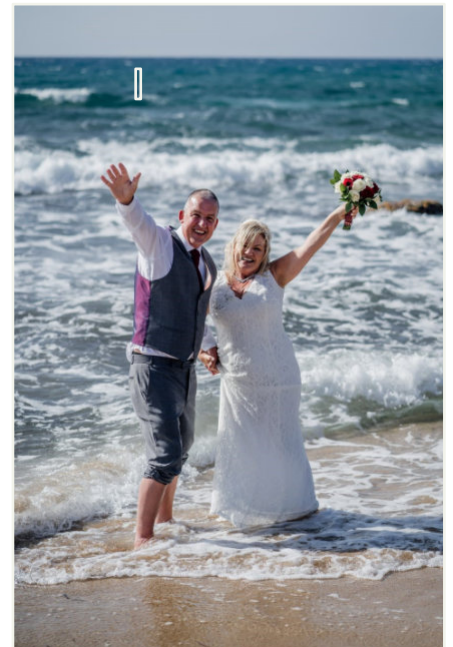
There is no legal minimum stay, although it is preferable for you to arrive a few days before the wedding to give us time to take you to the Town Hall to obtain your license, and also conduct the pre-wedding meetings, hair and makeup trials and so on.

If your time in Cyprus is very short, it is possible to obtain the marriage license and have the wedding on the same day - we have done this frequently for eloping couples.

## CLOTHING

Your attire for the ceremony is entirely your decision, but it's important to consider the significance of this choice. For church weddings, please ensure that your attire is appropriate.

Keep in mind that you'll cherish the photos from your special day for years to come. Given the scorching summer heat in Cyprus, it's advisable to select clothing that suits the weather, ensuring your comfort throughout the day. This advice is especially relevant for men opting for suits or kilts. Notably, you have the option to locally rent lightweight men's suits and kilts in Paphos, ensuring you stay cool and comfortable on your wedding day.



# TWELVE STEPS TO THE PERFECT WEDDING

## STEP 1 - CONTACT US

You can contact us via the contact form on our website, by phone or by email.

## STEP 2 - INFORMATION

We send you an introductory email and provide a link to our comprehensive online questionnaire for you to fill out, detailing your specific preferences and requirements. This valuable information enables us to propose suitable venues, create sample wedding plans, and share wedding and pricing options for your consideration.

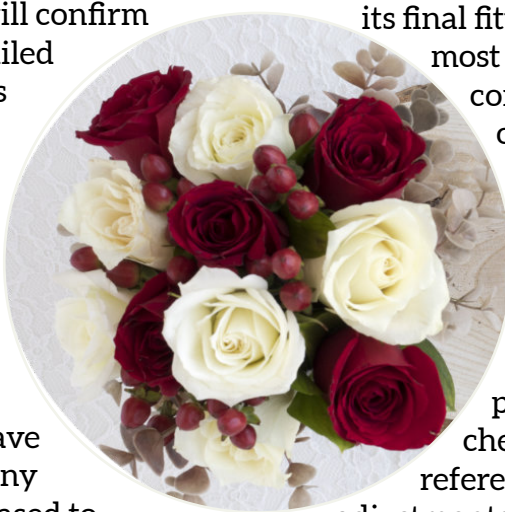
If you visit Cyprus, we'd be delighted to assist by showing you around and aiding you in selecting the ideal venue for your special day.

## STEP 3 - SELECT YOUR VENUE & DATE

You select your preferred wedding & reception venues and wedding date and we check availability for you, and make a provisional booking with the venues and church or Town Hall as applicable. Note that we do not charge extra for fast venue booking, we can normally confirm within 24-48 hours.

## STEP 4 - CONFIRMATION

When you confirm that you are happy to proceed with the booking, we will confirm the booking and send you a detailed confirmation pack by email. This will contain details of the wedding plan and price, a contract, payment details, full legal paperwork requirements including sample documents where applicable and a detailed final bridal checklist document and menus for your reception venue. You can send out your Save the Date cards! Our sister company Bestweddingbanners will be pleased to make these for you.



## STEP 5 - INITIAL PAYMENT

You confirm your commitment to proceed by signing our contract and paying the booking confirmation fee. The amount will vary from 200-500 Euros depending on the type of wedding. For some venues you will need to pay a 300-900 Euro deposit to the venue in order to finally confirm the booking. Payment can be made by international bank transfer, Wise (recommended) or PayPal. Please note payments made by PayPal incur a 3% charge to cover the PayPal fees

## STEP 6 - PRE-WEDDING BUILDUP

The duration of this phase can vary, depending on how far in advance you've made your booking. You can have confidence that the ceremony venues are secured, allowing you to begin focusing on the finer details, such as selecting flowers, choosing a colour scheme, organising decor, creating seating plans, the exciting elements of wedding preparation! Should you have any inquiries or wish to confirm additional items, we are at your service and ready to assist.

## STEP 7 -THREE MONTHS BEFORE

Your much-anticipated big day is just around the corner, and the excitement is steadily growing! At this point, your dress should be in its final fitting stage, and RSVPs from most of your guests should be confirmed. You will complete our online final bridal checklist, detailing your final selections for flowers, cake, table stationery, favours, transport, entertainment, and more. You'll also have the option to upload any photos to the checklist. This checklist serves as our master reference for making any necessary adjustments to the pricing and finalising orders with our suppliers. Additionally, we will send you proofs of any stationery we are designing for your approval, ensuring every detail aligns perfectly with your vision.



## STEP 8 - 6 WEEKS BEFORE

We will ask you to email all your legal paperwork, along with your completed wedding license application form. This allows us to thoroughly review these documents to ensure their accuracy. If you do not hold a UK passport, we will take your papers to be checked by the Marriage Officer to ensure there are no paperwork issues when you arrive in Cyprus.

## STEP 9 - 4 WEEKS BEFORE

To finalise your wedding plan, we require the remaining details. If you haven't already provided them, we need a guest list with names and their respective accommodations, the seating plan, DJ playlist, and food orders. We will also confirm the date for our pre-wedding meeting with you and can ask the transport company to arrange the guest pickup schedule. Lastly, we will secure your license application meeting at the Town Hall and forward your license application form to have your file prepared for the upcoming ceremony.

## STEP 10 - THE DAY BEFORE ARRIVAL

Check you have all your legal papers, passports, wedding rings, hair accessories, jewellery, shoes, perfume, wedding dress, suits and so on. Carry documents, dress and rings in your hand luggage.

## STEP II - ARRIVAL IN CYPRUS

On our mutually agreed pre-wedding meeting date, we will arrange to pick you up from your accommodation and accompany you to the Town Hall for the marriage license application process. Subsequently, you will have the opportunity to meet with Lee and/or James, our photographers. Following that, we will take you to the reception venue for a meeting with the venue owner. This visit allows you to explore the venue and its layout, while we confirm all the final details to ensure your peace of mind regarding our meticulous planning.

In cases where hair and makeup trials are scheduled, we strive to coordinate them for the same day, although this may not always be feasible. It's important to note that the pre-wedding meeting can occupy most of the morning. Therefore, if you have small children, it's advisable to make arrangements for their care with a family member if possible.

## STEP 12 - YOUR BIG DAY

After months of meticulous planning, your long-awaited wedding day has arrived. Your planner will guide you through this special day. She will be responsible for delivering your flowers, overseeing the venue decoration, offering assistance with your dress, managing all suppliers, and ensuring your guests are well-informed about the proceedings.

Your planner will orchestrate the day's schedule, ensuring a seamless and stress-free experience for you. You can rest assured that everything is well taken care of, allowing you to fully savour every moment of your special day.

Tomorrow marks the first day of your life as a married couple, now Mr. & Mrs.



"To love, or have loved,  
that is enough. Ask  
nothing further. There is  
no other pearl to be  
found in the dark folds of  
life"

**VICTOR HUGO**

# CHOOSING VENUES

This decision is undoubtedly the most significant one, so take your time! While your budget will likely play a pivotal role in your wedding decisions, it's essential to be realistic about your financial constraints. Carefully assess how much you can comfortably allocate to cover expenses like the dress, rings, the honeymoon, and, of course, the wedding itself to prevent any future disappointments. While we are committed to working within your budget, it's crucial to keep in mind that we cannot perform miracles.

Remember that it's entirely possible to create a fantastic wedding experience even with a modest budget. Throughout the planning process, do not lose sight of the core essence: uniting with the person you love. It's easy to become enamoured with extravagant add-ons, but, ultimately, the most crucial aspect remains the wedding itself. You wouldn't want to find yourself burdened with substantial debt to fund every detail.

The heart of your special day is, of course, the wedding ceremony, and closely following that, the photography. Your wedding photos and videos are the enduring mementos of this significant occasion. This is the one area where we strongly recommend against making compromises. While you might consider having a family member serve as the official photographer, we advise against it, as it wouldn't be fair to expect a wedding guest to work tirelessly in varying conditions. Professional photographers are better equipped to capture the essence and beauty of your wedding day.

## CIVIL, RELIGIOUS OR SYMBOLIC?

The first decision to make is whether you want a civil religious or symbolic wedding ceremony. Once you have done this it will narrow down the options for the ceremony venue - bear in mind Catholic weddings must take place inside a church and symbolic ceremonies can't take place in Town Hall venues.

## ONE VENUE OR TWO?

The first thing you need to consider is whether you prefer a civil, religious, or symbolic wedding ceremony. Your selection will limit your choices for the ceremony location. Please keep in mind that Catholic weddings are required to be held within a church, while symbolic ceremonies are not permitted in Town Hall venues. Decide on the type of venue that you would like - modern, rustic, traditional, hotel, beachside, countryside. Is it important that everything takes place outside, or would you prefer some parts of the wedding to be inside. Cyprus has such a wide range of options it is difficult to choose!

## PRIVACY

Are you seeking a completely private venue exclusively for your use? If privacy is a crucial factor for you, it will further refine your options. Private wedding venues, golf clubs, and private villas are the types of places that provide complete seclusion.

## TIME OF THE YEAR

Cyprus is a popular choice for weddings primarily because of its splendid weather. During the summer months, you can confidently plan your wedding outdoors without concerns about rain. From May to October, there is minimal to no rainfall, and the evenings remain warm, allowing for extended outdoor celebrations. However, it's important to note that July and August can be scorching and humid, which may pose discomfort for your oldest and youngest guests.

Given that many people are tied to school holiday schedules during these months, if you're planning



a wedding in July or August, we advise scheduling the ceremony for late in the afternoon when the sun's intensity has waned. This way, you can enjoy a cooler setting and dine once the sun has set. It's also wise to ensure that the chosen venue offers ample shaded areas and perhaps indoor spaces with air conditioning, so guests can find respite from the heat as needed.

## HOTEL WEDDINGS

If you would like a hotel wedding, please be aware of certain considerations. Most hotels typically require a minimum number of nights' stay for you to have your wedding there. In the case of all-inclusive hotels, non-resident wedding guests usually need to obtain a day pass to access the premises. These day passes often include the cost of drinks throughout the day and can range from 40 to 80 Euros per person. You'll need to decide whether you or your guests will cover these expenses.

It's possible to have an all-inclusive wedding meal without incurring additional costs, but this meal typically occurs in the regular restaurant areas alongside other hotel guests. If you prefer to reserve one of the hotel's designated wedding venues, there will be a hire fee, and you'll need to pay for a special wedding menu that is not part of your all-inclusive package. Keep in mind that some hotels may not permit external makeup artists and hairdressers to provide their services on-site.

## MUSIC

Are you looking for a venue where you can enjoy outdoor music until the late hours of the night? It's important to note that not all venues permit outdoor DJ or live music, and there are often finish times. Therefore, be sure to inquire about these rules, as hotels, in particular, may have restrictions to ensure minimal disruption to other guests.

## FOOD AND DRINK

The majority of couples typically arrange a meal for their guests, and most venues provide a choice between buffets and set menus. A buffet often proves to be the best option for a large party as it caters to various preferences, ensuring there's something for everyone.

The cost of beverages can be a significant portion of your wedding expenses, so it's crucial to give this area careful consideration. Many couples opt to offer their guests a glass of sparkling wine after the ceremony and a glass of wine during the dinner. Venues often offer flexibility, with options such as unlimited drinks packages for a specified number of hours, ordering a set quantity of wine bottles, or allocating a specific amount behind the bar.

It's advisable to avoid an entirely open bar unless you set a limit on the cost, as this can become quite expensive, especially in hotels where drink prices tend to be higher. Additionally, it's important to note that drink measures in Cyprus are typically more generous, so guests may easily underestimate their alcohol consumption.



You can see a selection of our lovely venues in more detail in our venues brochure, please ask for a copy

## ORDER OF THE DAY

Most weddings tend to follow a typical sequence of events, including bride and groom preparation, the ceremony, post-ceremony photos, drinks and mingling with guests, cake cutting and more photos, speeches, the reception meal, sunset photos, and finally, music and dancing. Striking the right balance can be a bit tricky. You want to avoid everything feeling rushed, but at the same time, you don't want long gaps between key parts of the wedding, which can leave guests feeling bored or possibly a bit too merry! This something your planner can help you with.

One effective way to maintain a seamless flow throughout the day is to consider incorporating entertainment at specific points. This could involve outdoor games, an open-topped bus excursion, a live singer, or even a kids' entertainer. These elements can help keep the day engaging and enjoyable for your guests.

If capturing sunset photos is important to you, it requires careful coordination since the wedding couple is typically absent for approximately 30-45 minutes, depending on the location. To prevent this from occurring during the meal, the entire schedule should be strategically arranged around the timing of the sunset.



## OUR IMPARTIAL ADVICE

We possess comprehensive knowledge of all the issues mentioned above, backed by our familiarity with various venues and extensive experience in orchestrating countless weddings. This expertise equips us with a keen understanding of what works and what doesn't. Feel free to bring any questions or concerns to us, and we'll readily provide insights and recommendations for venues that align with your specific preferences.

Our primary goal is to assist you in selecting the most fitting venues for your wedding and transforming your dreams into a concrete plan. This plan, under our guidance, will materialise into a remarkable and unforgettable wedding experience that both you and your guests will relish and cherish. Full details of venues with photos and outline pricing can be seen in our Venue Brochure, so please ask for a copy as this will help you to start making your choices, and give you an idea of the cost.





# TAILOR-MADE OR A PACKAGE?

## BESPOKE WEDDING PLANS

We specialise in bespoke weddings, assuring that your wedding day is a true reflection of your desires, right down to the tiniest detail. We take pride in being an entirely autonomous company, with no affiliations to specific venues, hotels, or tour operators. This enables us to facilitate a wide array of wedding types in the venue of your choosing. We collaborate closely with you to bring your wedding vision to life. Our commitment is to utilise venues that meet our stringent criteria for excellence, service, and cost-effectiveness. Furthermore, we only use reputable suppliers that we have personal knowledge of and trust implicitly. This ensures that all aspects of your wedding align seamlessly with your expectations, creating a day that will be eternally etched in your memory as a source of unending joy and happiness.

## WEDDING PACKAGES

We also provide various wedding packages, viewable on our website, offering transparent details on what's included and the associated costs. These packages typically cater to smaller wedding gatherings, elopement scenarios with no guests, or couples seeking assistance with the legal paperwork. If a package doesn't precisely match your needs, it can be customised to suit.

Whether you opt for a bespoke wedding or one of our packages, be confident that our unwavering commitment to personalised service and meticulous attention to detail remains consistent, irrespective of your wedding's size or budget. You will always have the support of your dedicated wedding planner throughout the process.

## YOUR WEDDING IS IMPORTANT TO US

We recognise that your wedding, regardless of its scale, holds paramount importance to you. We understand that you'll have numerous inquiries in the lead-up to your special day, and we are more than willing to provide answers and ease any concerns. You can count on us to be accessible through email, phone, or video, ensuring your peace of mind.

If you have specific desires for your wedding but are unsure whether we can accommodate them, don't hesitate to ask. We are committed to doing our utmost to meet any unique requirements you may have. While we strive to respond to most emails within 24 hours, please be aware that we are very busy during the summer, often requiring us to work seven days a week. We also receive a high volume of emails. Consequently, there may be occasions when we need to prioritise brides whose weddings are approaching soon to ensure their needs are met promptly.



# PHOTOGRAPHY & VIDEOGRAPHY

Photography stands as perhaps the second most crucial element in a wedding, following the wedding ceremony itself, and it's the one aspect where compromise should be avoided. Statements that can send a wedding planner into a panic include phrases like "We'll capture our photos on our phones" or "Our friend has a knack for photography."

In our services, we have a dedicated and skilled professional photography team for both still photographs and videography. You might wonder why photography often comes with a significant price tag when it appears to entail only a few hours of shooting. Each photographer arrives with multiple cameras and various lenses, some of which are valued at thousands of pounds. Additionally, there's a range of equipment including batteries, computers, and editing software. Each photographer always has 2 or 3 technical glitches. Consider the camera, and it malfunctioned! After investing many hours into the of your photos.



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## PRE-WEDDING MEETING

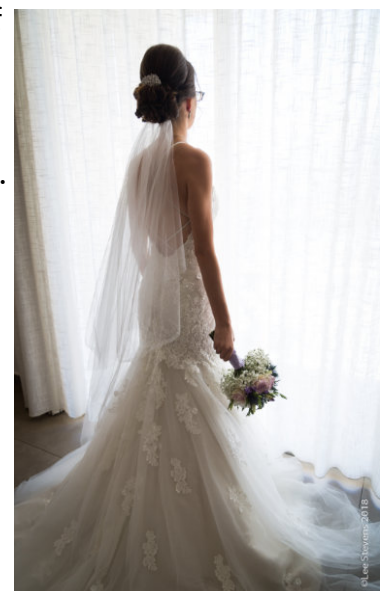
You will have the opportunity to meet your photographer and/or videographer during a pre-wedding meeting. This allows you to establish a connection before the wedding day, ensuring you won't be greeted by a stranger wielding a camera on your special day. It's a chance for both parties to become better acquainted, and they will also delve into details about you and your wedding party. Additionally, you'll discuss the specific types of photos you desire, and address any potentially delicate issues, such as guests who may not get along or prefer not to be photographed together. Your photographers will offer guidance on essential aspects of the ceremony, including the first look, ring exchange, signing of the register, and, of course, that memorable first kiss!

## THE WEDDING DAY

Unless your wedding party is quite small, our photographer and videographer typically collaborate with a 'second shooter' to ensure no moments are overlooked. When you opt for a full day of photography, it commences with capturing bridal preparations. This entails essential shots of you getting ready with your bridesmaids, having your hair and makeup expertly done, and detailed photos of your dress, shoes, flowers, jewellery, and even the process of lacing up or fastening the dress. The groom and his party are not forgotten either, as there will be photographs of them during their preparations. These images weave together the narrative of your wedding day from the very beginning, portraying the transformation of a woman into a radiant bride. Notably, for many brides, the moment when their father first sees them as a bride holds immense significance.



Subsequently, pivotal and nervous moments leading up to the ceremony, the walk down the aisle, and the emotional instant when the groom beholds his beautiful bride are all meticulously documented.





Our photographers are committed to capturing your wedding day from start to finish. They will document the entire ceremony, and the video will capture your vows. Via a discreet microphone on the groom. Following the ceremony, our photographers will organise the important confetti shot, a cherished tradition. During the drinks reception, they seamlessly blend in with you and your guests, skilfully capturing candid moments. These candid shots often yield the most heartfelt and authentic images.

Of course, there will be posed photos as well, featuring the bride and groom with the bridesmaids, groomsmen, parents, immediate family, and the entire wedding party. These formal shots ensure you have beautiful, structured memories of the day.

The remaining photographs will be natural and unposed, preserving the spontaneous, special moments that unfold throughout the day. However, during the meal, you'll enjoy a well-deserved break, and our team will refrain from photographing this moment, allowing you to savour your meal in peace.



## SUNSET & FIRST DANCE PHOTOS

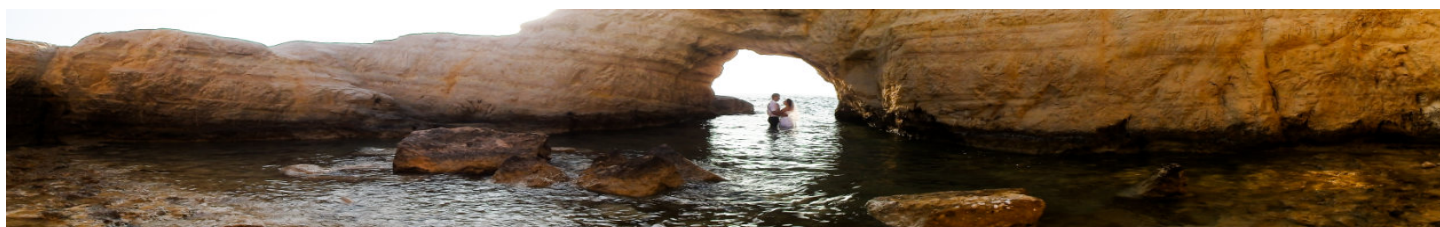
If you require sunset photos, your photographer will accompany you both for approximately 30-45 minutes. You might consider having someone assist you with your dress and veil. If your venue offers an ideal vantage point to view the sunset, the photos can be taken right there. Alternatively, if the venue is not ideally positioned for sunset photos, you will be driven to the nearest picturesque location to capture the sunset's beauty. It's important to note that the sun sets rapidly in Cyprus, so punctuality is paramount for this part of your photography.

The first dance photos carry an air of romance, particularly if you opt for a backdrop of fireworks. Should you wish to arrange a "trash the dress" photoshoot after the wedding, please don't hesitate to inquire, and we'll make it happen.



## EXTERNAL PHOTOGRAPHERS

While we don't enforce the use of our in-house photographers, we highly recommend their services because we have confidence in their exceptional skills, and our collaborative teamwork ensures a smooth wedding experience. It's important to note that Cyprus does attract individuals who venture into photography without substantial experience. If you decide to book an alternative photographer, they must be selected from our approved list to ensure the reliability and quality of service you deserve.





# FLOWERS

Flowers are an integral part of any wedding, and nothing can compare with fresh flowers. They are both pretty and traditional and allow you to express your style and creativity. Get inspiration by browsing our website, facebook pages, Pinterest, in fact anywhere on the internet that shows wedding flowers. The flowers you choose don't have to be an exact



match for your colour scheme but should compliment the overall scheme.

If your wedding is very formal then your flowers should follow that theme with tidy formal arrangements, but if you are having a more relaxed and rustic wedding then you can be creative, have a mixture of different types and colours of flowers, bouquets can be looser and more casual and your table arrangements can follow the same theme.



Start with your bouquet as this is a statement piece and is likely to appear in most of your wedding photos. Don't be afraid of colour, vibrant coloured flowers look great in a hot

climate and contrast brilliantly with white or cream wedding dresses. Once you have chosen your bouquet then your bridesmaids bouquets and buttonholes can easily follow the same theme.

For the tables you can either choose to have



one large centrepiece which should compliment the shape and sizes of the tables, or several small less formal arrangements on each table, perhaps paired with coloured jars, wood slices, lanterns etc.



We have worked with Maria our florist for many years, she is one of the best florists in the area and produces some stunning flowers, She is a specialist event florist, and designs truly amazing displays. If you have a photo of something you like she will be pleased to replicate it. In her amazing show room she has a wide selection of

vases, boxes, jars, stands, candelabras, drift wood, and lanterns all of which can be used with the flowers.





# CAKES

Traditionally a wedding cake symbolises good luck, prosperity and fertility & should be made with only the best ingredients so that the marriage is long-lasting & happy. It consisted of three tiers, one to be served during the



ceremony, one after the meal and the top tier was saved for the christening of the first child!

Today wedding cakes can take many forms from a traditional three tier cake, a naked cake, cup cakes or even a cake made from

rounds of cheese - so go with whatever makes you happy. Some brides prefer not to have a cake at all and that is fine too!

We use Love Island Cakes to supply all our cakes, as they are simply fabulous! Sponge or madeira cake is the most popular for destination weddings as fruit cake can be a little heavy in the heat, and you can



choose a selection of flavours, lemon, orange, chocolate, red velvet and vanilla too.

Cup cakes are also very popular, they look gorgeous in the photos and every guest can be given their own individual cake to eat.



If you do decide to have a cake then we can offer you a wide range of styles and designs. Certain cakes are best avoided due to the heat - chocolate and fresh cream are not a good idea.

If you don't want to go to the expense of a full sized cake, why not have 2 individual cakes just for the bride and groom, this way you can still



have the traditional cake cutting photos.

We normally recommend that the formal cake cutting ceremony takes place after the ceremony and during the drinks reception as keeping the cake looking good on a very hot day can be a little tricky. The cake can then either be cut and served with the drinks, or taken away and either served as a dessert after the meal, or perhaps later in the evening when everyone gets a pit peckish.





# TRANSPORT

Transport for the bride and groom and for the guests is usually required at most weddings, unless the wedding takes place in a villa or hotel where the entire wedding party is staying. Bridal cars come in all shapes and sizes, from a simple white decorated Mercedes through to an open topped white Beauford or London taxi, or a Rolls Royce. We have a great selection of transport to suit all tastes and budgets.

For the guests we can provide air-conditioned buses to seat 12, 22, 52 and 55 people. Traditional village buses are great fun, or an open topped London bus in either red, white or ivory colours or even a stretch limousine. Once we know where your guests are staying we can pass these

details to the transport company so they can work out a pick up schedule stopping at various hotels to take your guests to the ceremony so they don't have to worry about making their own way there. As wedding planners we



prefer this to avoid guests getting lost or turning up late! Many couples also choose to go for an open topped bus tour with their guests between the wedding and the reception as a little treat for everyone.

These tours are great fun, your photographer goes with you for some action photos, sparkling wine and beer can be served if required and the bus can do a photo stop at a scenic location too.





# HAIR & MAKEUP

Your wedding day is the one occasion in your life where you want to radiate absolute beauty. We collaborate with a team of highly skilled makeup artists and hairdressers who specialise in bridal hair and makeup, ensuring you look absolutely stunning. They also possess the expertise to ensure your hair and makeup remain flawless, even in the heat.



You have the option to schedule a trial before your wedding to perfect your look, or you can choose to have your hair and makeup professionally done on the day of the event. In most instances, our artists and hairdressers will come to your accommodation on your wedding day. However, there are a few hotels that may not permit external suppliers to work on their premises. In such cases, we will make suitable arrangements for you to visit the salon.





# SIGNS AND TABLE STATIONERY

Wedding signs, table plans, and table stationery are the final touches that enhance your wedding venue and serve as valuable information for your guests. We are proud to



offer a comprehensive range of professionally designed and printed items through our in-house graphic design and printing company. Our selection includes welcome signs, various acrylic signage options, table plans, table numbers, orders of the day, place

cards, and personalised menus. You can explore our standard designs on our website, [Bestweddingbanners](https://www.bestweddingbanners.com). Additionally, you have the opportunity to view and download our stationery and favours brochures.



If our existing designs do not perfectly align with your vision, we are more than happy to collaborate with you to create a custom stationery

range tailored to your specific preferences. Your wedding day's finishing touches are in good hands with us.





ACRYLIC SIGNS

Acrylic signs are really popular at the moment, we have made a huge number of them recently. We use both clear and frosted acrylic which can be cut into various shapes and sizes for welcome signs, table plans, table numbers and place names. These can be painted on the back to match your scheme.





# WEDDING FAVOURS & GIFTS

We have specialist printing equipment which enables us to permanently print on a whole range of different items, including glass & hardboard coasters, fridge magnets, shot glasses, key rings, bags, metal bottle openers, mugs, bag hangers, compact mirrors and a whole host of other items, plus of course the ever popular drinks miniatures with tags. All of these are made here in Cyprus so you don't need to worry about packing it all in your cases.



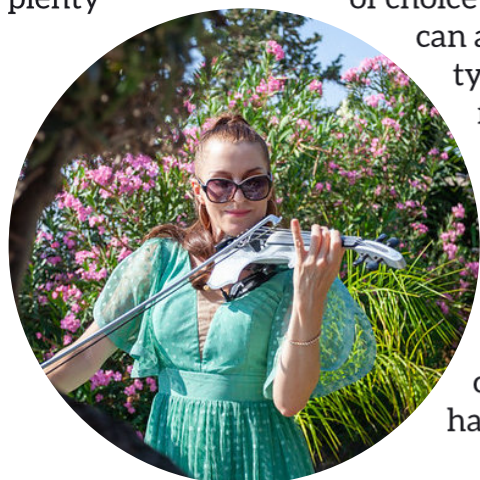






# WEDDING MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT

We are blessed with many talented live musicians & singers here in Cyprus, so there is plenty of choice for you. We



can arrange all types of music for your wedding ceremony - live singers, a guitar and violin duo, saxophonist, or even a harpist.

Our traditional Cyprus dancing troupe is one of our most popular acts for the wedding reception, they perform a range of different traditional dancing including the well known glasses on the head which is always great fun! They are great at getting your guests to participate in the show and they always have some fun group dancing at the end of the show.



For your reception we recommend our DJ Marcos, he really gets the party going, he can be booked for 3 or 5



hours which includes a full set of lighting equipment with effects. He has a huge range of music to suit all tastes.

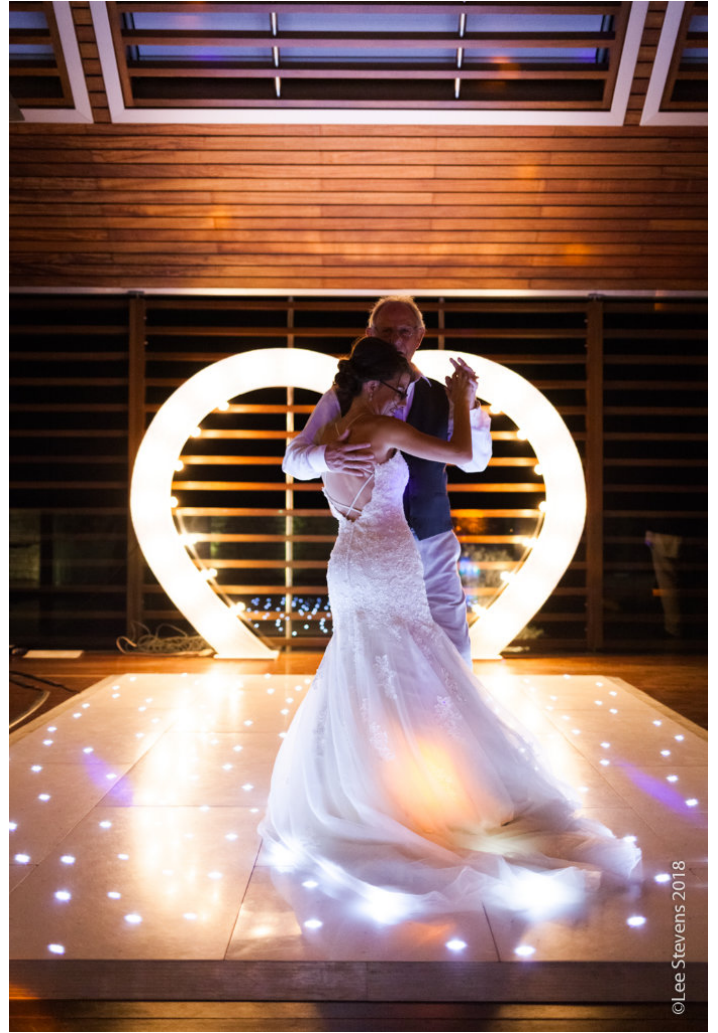
In addition to musical entertainment we can also provide fireworks displays, large outdoor games, an ice cream tricycle and even a fire dancer! Please just ask if you have something specific in mind and we will do our best to provide it for you.



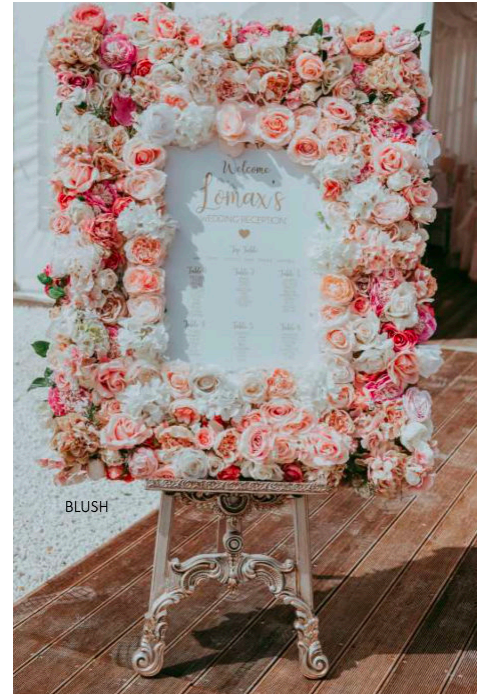


# LARGE DÉCOR ITEMS

We work closely with the largest décor hire company on the island who keep a huge stock of decorative items including wedding gazebos, ceremony tables, floor lanterns, Chiavari chairs, starlight dance floor, backdrops, centrepieces, easels, drinks stands and many more items, in fact anything you can think of to make your wedding venue look really special. We send you a link to their brochure when you are planning the decorations for your wedding day but please let us know what you would like as soon as possible as many of their items do get booked out very quickly, particularly the larger item like dance floors, love lights and gazebos.









# TESTIMONIALS

We have successfully arranged hundreds of weddings over the past 17 years, but it always gives us a great buzz when couples contact us after the wedding to express their appreciation. Here are just a few of the many lovely testimonials we have received.

## PATRICIA & ANTON - APRIL 2019 AT LIOPETRO



*As we settle into married life and reminisce of one of the most amazing days of our lives, we want to say thank you both so much for making it the most perfect wedding day! Everything about it was beyond our expectations, the venue was stunning, the flowers were beautiful, the food and cake were delicious, the music, DJ and Dancers were entertaining to make such a happy day for us and our guests.*

*The attention to detail and the effort you and your whole team did was incredible. Our day was so unique as you catered every requirement we had and we couldn't have asked for more. Even throughout the planning stages, how quick and efficient you were was impressive and we knew then we were in good hands. Your team working in the background meant we were relaxed and could fully enjoy the day.*

*Please pass on our gratitude to all those involved, including the Beautician, Gina, Hairdresser and Registrar. Thank you for everything, Patricia and Anton*

## BRIAN & CAROL - SEPTEMBER 2020



*Stephen and I would just like to say a massive thank you to you and Katie for organising & giving us such a beautiful wedding.*

*It was exactly as we wanted, intimate, romantic & stress free in an exquisite location. The fact you also helped out with the kids meant that we could really relax and enjoy ourselves.*

*It was just simply perfect! Thank you for everything.*

*A huge thank you to Sue and her team for giving us the best day ever, after our original plans were cancelled due to Covid, We could not have ever imagined it go ahead for at least another year, two years in the planning all came to an immediate halt. until we contacted Sue who immediately gave us hope and pulled out all stops to arrange our special day.*

*She organised absolutely everything from the lovely ceremony including all paperwork hairdresser, beautician, cars, flowers and amazing friendly photographers who took us to three different locations giving us amazing photo memories.*

*We have already booked Cyprus for next year and going to meet up with them, they not only arranged the best day ever they became our friends who we cannot wait to have a celebratory drink with. Thankyou so much.*

*Love from  
Brian & Carol xxx*



## EMMA & STEPHEN - JUNE 2019

# BOOK YOUR WEDDING

We can't wait to start planning your wedding with you. To receive a tailor-made no obligation wedding plan with prices please complete our online questionnaire which can be found here:-



## WEDDING QUESTIONNAIRE

Remember, we work only for you so we give you completely impartial advice on venues for your special day. All our wedding plans are for complete weddings and the cost covers everything including the license, registrar, church and venue fees so no nasty surprised and unexpected bills.



**HAPPY WEDDING  
PLANNING**

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