

**THE OLD CHURCH**  
HAWKE'S BAY



**WEDDING INFORMATION  
PACK**

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The celebration of love is a time honoured tradition and there is no single event more beautiful, romantic or joyous than your wedding day.

We understand that your wedding is going to be one of the most important days of your life. We also understand how to help ensure it runs smoothly, how to add the finishing touches that make it special and how to remove the stress. Let us guide you every step of the way.

Moira Irving, owner of The Old Church, will provide advice and support to assist you in creating the most memorable day of your life.

From your initial site visit to the completion of the day, Moira will ensure that the team at The Old Church delivers to your absolute expectations.

# YOUR WEDDING AT THE OLD CHURCH

## LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

The Old Church in Meeanee has a fascinating history dating back 150 years to its first incarnation in 1862 when the missionaries began planting vines and cultivating the land around St Mary's. The brothers were popular, industrious and very successful farmers, sharing their skills and ideas freely. Their warm hospitality, easy friendship and legendary culinary skills made the church a favourite stopping place for travellers, and it is in their esteemed footsteps that this tradition continues today.

The vision for The Old Church has been realised by creating an unsurpassed blend of nostalgia and chic indulgence. Set amongst the vines, with a stunning aspect to the Ruahines, Kaweka's and the setting sun, the unswerving attention to detail and luxurious décor make this a stunning Hawke's Bay landmark. The unique experience of The Old Church will be a memory to treasure for many years to come.



# LOVE IS IN THE DETAILS

One of the most important things when planning your wedding is the budget.  
With this in mind we have prepared our packages based on a per head price.

This is an all inclusive package.

You know exactly what you are paying for and can budget accordingly.

## *Both Packages Include:*

- ◆ Exclusive use of the venue from 3.30pm (for ceremony at 4pm) - 1am
- ◆ The services of our Wedding Planner from the time of booking through to the day itself
- ◆ Set up and decoration of tables including;
  - Provision of black or white linen table cloths and napkins
  - Access to the settings from The Old Church's inventory or you provide own
- ◆ Set up and decoration of the ceremony including;
  - Seating for up to 60 outdoors or all guests for an indoor wedding
  - Registry table and chair
- ◆ The use of the grounds for photographs
- ◆ We will play your wedding music and our sound system can also be used for the evening
- ◆ Menus, seating chart and table numbers can be provided
- ◆ Template floor plans for you to decide your guests seating arrangements
- ◆ Wedding rehearsal in the week prior
- ◆ We can recommend external wedding professionals in entertainment, flowers, photography, wedding celebrants and more
- ◆ You will be able to select from our comprehensive wedding menu which is updated on a seasonal basis. For this reason the menus currently shown are examples only.
- ◆ A wedding hamper with canapés and drinks for the bridal party to take away when they have their photographs
- ◆ We will provide courtesy meals for up to three of your external wedding professionals

In addition to this the packages include:

### *Package One*

Peak season - \$135 per person

Off Peak - \$115 per person

- ◆ Complimentary round of bubbles
- ◆ A selection of 4 canapés
- ◆ Bread and olive oil
- ◆ Choice of 3 Entrees
- ◆ Choice of 3 Mains
- ◆ Salad and vegetable side dishes
- ◆ Choice of 3 Desserts
- ◆ Tea and coffee buffet

### *Package Two*

Peak Season - \$120 per person

Off Peak - \$105 per person

- ◆ A selection of 4 canapés
- ◆ Bread and olive oil
- ◆ Choice of 3 Mains
- ◆ Salad and vegetable side dishes
- ◆ Choice of 3 Desserts
- ◆ Tea and coffee buffet



### **Exclusivity of The Old Church**

A minimum of 80 adults is required for a wedding held on a Friday or Saturday. Exclusive use of the venue may be purchased for weddings as low as 70 guests for an additional cost of \$1,000.

For weddings held Sunday - Thursday a minimum of 50 guests is required for exclusive use of the venue. No additional fee applies.

Please note this does not include the use of The Old Church Villa and its grounds.

### **Intimate weddings**

The Old Church Villa is perfect for the smaller intimate wedding. The Villa can cater for 20 guests inside or up to 50 on the villa lawn.

The Conservatory and Courtyard can be hired privately for weddings of up to 40.

Enjoy the Cellar for your intimate dinner party weddings. Located discretely below The Old Church Villa, this exquisite setting can cater up to 12 for an evening of great company, fabulous food and fine wine.

Prices and offerings are as per option one and two.

### **Peak & Off Peak Rates**

Peak rates apply from 1st October - 30th April

Off Peak rates apply from 1st May - 30th September

### **Children**

A children's menu is available. Under 12's are \$50 each, Under 5's are free.

### **Reserving your date**

To secure your date, a signed copy of our wedding contract plus a bond of \$2,000 is required.

We do accept pencil bookings which will be held for up to 2 weeks.

### **Public Holidays**

Should you wish to hold your wedding on a public holiday there will be an additional charge of \$1000.00. This applies to the date the public holiday falls even if observed on the following Monday.

### **Beverage Options**

An advantage of The Old Church is our independence with regards to beverages. Our wine list is comprehensive and we also supply all of the well known beer brands. We do place an emphasis on supporting local Hawkes Bay wines where possible.

All beverages are charged on a consumption basis. We do not offer BYO.



# EAT, DRINK & BE MARRIED

## SAMPLE WEDDING MENU

### *Canapés*

Tea smoked venison croute - chocolate & nut dukkah

Oysters (seasonal) - sesame & lime dressing

soy, ginger & coriander dressing

natural with lemon

Smoked eel on toast, creme fraiche & chives

Confit duck rillettes, red onion & caramelised apple, melba toasts

Smoked mushroom & parmesan arancini, roasted garlic aioli

Beef tartar, harissa tapenade & baby leaves

Mini beef burger, cheese & pickles

Duck rolls - hoisin, spring onion & cucumber, soy & coriander dipping sauce

Sesame tuna, avocado & wasabi, coriander

Pork & beans, salsa verde

Spicy pulled pork sliders, pickled cucumber

Mini Caesar salad, crispy bacon & parmesan

House smoked salmon, potato & herb blini, whipped chive creme fraiche

Smoked bacon & egg tart, parmesan crumbs

## Entree

"Arataki honey" & soy marinated yellow fin tuna - pickled veggies & wasabi

House smoked salmon - miso creme fraiche, BBQ cucumber & truffle oil

Carpaccio of beef - smoked tomato salsa, baby leaf salad & parmesan

Cumin rubbed lamb - baba Ganoush, pumpkin hummus & raisin dressing

Bocconcini & heirloom tomato salad - basil, pine nuts & olives

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Antipasto platters to share

## Main

Pan roasted rump of Hawkes Bay lamb - carrot & cumin puree, potato, bacon,

feta & parsley salad, smoked almonds

"Fish of the Day" - lemon mash, braised greens, shrimp, parsley & caper butter sauce

Twice cooked free range pork belly - red cabbage, caramelised cauliflower,

pork and spelt crumble

Pan seared chicken and truffle ballotine - wild mushroom, peas, baby onions and thyme

Seared fillet of beef - served medium rare, dauphinoise potatoes, asparagus, pancetta &

Salsa verde

Twice cooked duck leg - pickled vegetable salad, charred shallots, radish & tomato conserve

*The main course is served with vegetable and salad side dishes for the table to share*



## *Dessert*

White Chocolate & cardamom panna cotta - pineapple salsa & coconut wafer  
Lemon mess - lemon curd, coconut creme fraiche sorbet, rosewater meringue &  
"terrazza" saffron syrup  
Butterscotch brûlée - apricot & ginger biscotti  
Dark chocolate tart - creme fraiche & candied orange  
Berry & white chocolate cheesecake—ginger crumb, macerated berries

**Please note these menus are current for the September 2014—May 2015 wedding season.  
Menu options are subject to change due to the seasonal availability of produce. We appreciate  
your understanding with this.**

**Special dietary requirements can be catered for with advanced notice.**





# SAMPLE ITINERARY

Please note the following is a guide only. Your wedding coordinator will work with you to tailor an itinerary to suit your requirements and the structure of your menu.

4.00pm Guests arrive

4.30pm Bridal party arrives and the ceremony begins

5.00pm Pre-dinner drinks and canapés served in the courtyard

Family photos are taken on the lawn. Then the bridal party leave for photo's around the property and off site

6.30pm Guests are seated for dinner

As guests take their seats wine and drinks are served at their tables

6.45pm MC introduction

MC goes through order of events and housekeeping

Orders are taken for dinner and bread is served

7.00pm Bridal party are announced, they take their place at the head table and the first speeches take place

7.15pm Entrée is served

7.35pm The remaining speeches take place

8.15pm Main course is served

9.00pm Cutting of the cake

The newlyweds cut the cake, it is then taken to the kitchen where it is cut by our chef to be presented later in the evening.

9.15pm Dessert is served

9.30pm First dance by the married couple

With the formalities over the DJ or Band begins and the dancing starts.

9.30pm Wedding cake is presented with tea and coffee

12.30pm Last drinks served

1.00am Guests depart



The beautifully restored and extravagantly furnished historic villa in the heart of Hawkes Bay wine country is steeped in history and full of character. Maintaining its traditional olde world charm, The Old Church Villa provides a luxurious and opulent retreat, set amongst the private and peaceful surrounds of the internationally acclaimed 'The Old Church Restaurant and Bar'.

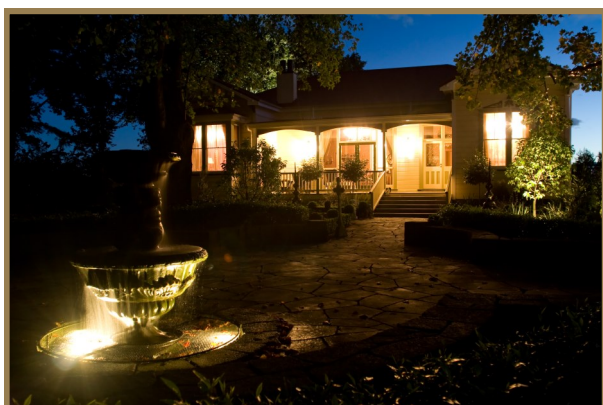
Step back in time...enjoy the romance and glamour of this exquisite villa.

The Villa sleeps up to 8 people with 4 double bedrooms each with a private individually themed ensuite.

Standard Accommodation rate  
\$1275 per night, minimum stay of 2 nights

### *Special Wedding Offer*

Book three nights at The Old Church Villa for the price of two!





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