



Cook Islands Brochure

WEDDINGS AND HONEYMOONS CURATED AND CRAFTED BY EXPERTS

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So you have been dreaming about a destination wedding ever since you met the absolute love of your life in that bar you finally decided to try... or that movie you had been meaning to see...or even by swiping right on tinder (no judgement) & you fell hopelessly in love.

Then it happens and the love of your life gets down on one knee & you can finally start planning... except you have no idea where to start.

The realisation of the time it will take you to plan your dream destination sinks in... You start to feel the sand slipping away, you can no longer taste the banana-berry-licious cocktail or feel the sun on your skin. In a panic you jump onto the internet to find that Destination Wedding company who heard raving reviews about from a friend of a friend & soon realise they are exactly what you need.

We are Viva Destination Weddings and we are here to bring your dream wedding to life!



Credit: Muri Beach Club Hotel

Note

This showcases a wide variety of locations and resorts in Cook Islands. If you would like an expert to produce a personalised guide, specific to your unique wedding requirements please contact us..

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ABOUT US

WHAT WE BRING TO THE TABLE

- ❖ **We are a one stop shop** - We can organise it all from beauty to bucks parties and flowers to flights with our tried-and-tested suppliers worldwide, entirely simplifying the process for you.
- ❖ **We eliminate stress** - We helpfully assist and guide you through all itinerary changes, legal requirements, guest travel bookings and intricate experiences meant just for you - meaning no stress and more time to focus on the fun stuff.
- ❖ **We understand how important this is to you** - We want to spend time to understand what your perfect wedding looks like to you and how we can achieve it together.
- ❖ **We think out of the box** - We provide unique and innovative solutions that will have you and your travelling party engaged and excited well before you hop on the plane, and long after you return.
- ❖ **We are at no extra costs to you** - This is one case where your Momma will take back the phrase "nothing good comes free". We simply work off a small commission paid by each of our trusted suppliers for passing them your business. Ultimately, we will have the best prices because we negotiate directly with the suppliers, while also getting access to special group rates and 'exclusive inclusions'.



OUR CREDENTIALS

- ✓ Member of the exclusive Travellers Choice group
- ✓ Fully ATAS accredited Travel company
- ✓ Verified member of Skal (International Association of Tourism and Travel Professionals)
- ✓ Travel Agency with 75 years of experience combined
- ✓ Members of local and international industry networking groups

"Mandi is amazing, we are not long back from our wedding which I could not have done without her. She did everything we needed, and not in "island time" (yes it is a real thing). Mandi is back to you instantly and if not will let you know when she can get that answer to you. I seriously would have lost it without this woman, she is an angel in disguise" (Kayla Maree Kava – previous bride)

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DESTINATION WEDDING

We know every wedding is unique and we take the time and attention to ensure that each one is perfect. We have two levels of wedding planning packages. The first one, valued at \$500 but **absolutely free**, comes with our dedicated wedding planning services and professional advice. There are a range of digital offerings you can choose to select at an additional cost.

Our second, Diamond Package is perfectly suited to medium to large sized weddings. At only \$500 but valued at \$1,700 our digital offerings including a dedicated weddings website, and digital app are included, as are a range of other added benefits including upgraded transfers, resort credits and more. Check out our different packages on the following page.



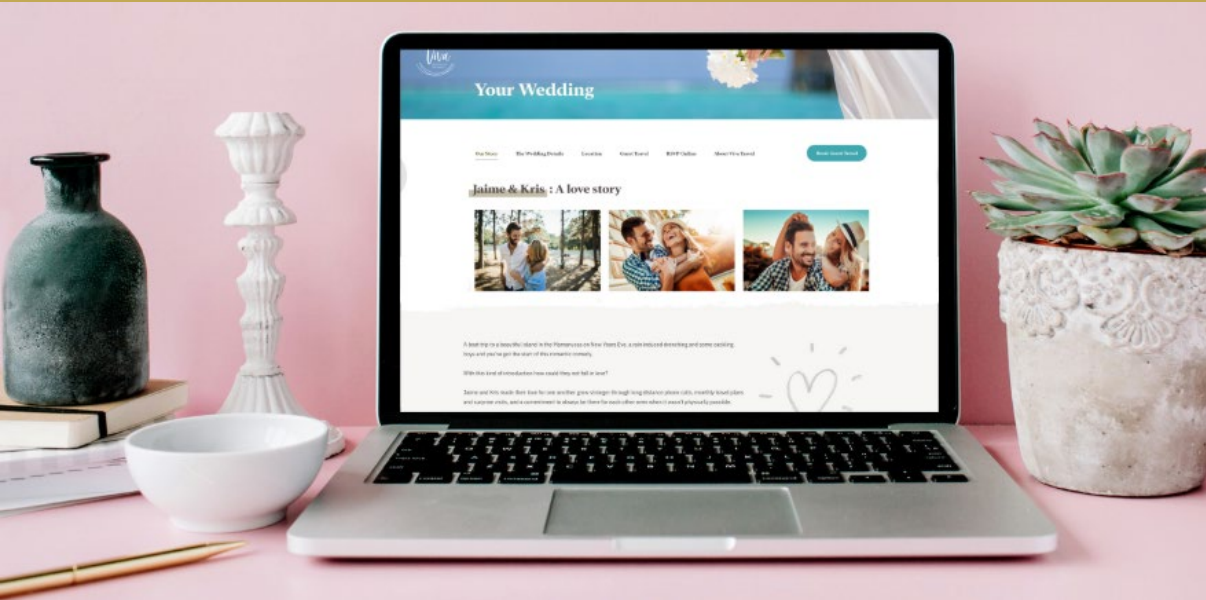
WEDDING PLANNER OPTIONS

	Gold Free Valued at \$500	Diamond \$500 Valued at \$1,700
Wedding planning		
Full wedding planning and assistance	✓	✓
Helpful wedding questionnaire	✓	✓
On site management and coordination of event with a senior Viva planner	✓ (at additional cost)	✓ (at additional cost)
Professional advice		
Recommendations for every wedding vendor category, including, but not limited to: wedding venue, hair and make-up artists, photographer, videographer, styling, additional flowers, DJ & entertainment, additional lighting, cakes & catering, celebrant	✓	✓
Communications		
Main point of contact with the Vendors / Vendor Management	✓	✓
Liaison with on-site wedding coordinator for finer details	✓	✓
Distribute payments to all vendors and suppliers	✓	✓
Emergency 24 hour contact	✓	✓
Unlimited Email Communication & Scheduled Phone Calls	Unlimited during business hours	Unlimited
Event design and Preparation		
Event Design & Concept Consultation	✓	✓
Advice on Invitation Etiquette	✓	✓
Event Timeline - Construction & Management	✓	✓
Digital offering		
Creation of personalised wedding website helping your guests find the information they need, RSVP and book guest travel (valued at \$100)	\$100.00	✓
Creation of Viva exclusive app to enable easy communication and sharing of photos with all guests both prior to and during the holiday (valued at \$50)	\$50.00	✓
Guest Management		
Management of all guest travel requirements, flights, accommodation, transfers, negotiation for group bookings, room blocks	✓	✓
For every adult guest that books with Viva, you will receive a credit (or local currency equivalent) to be used at the resort in the manner of your choice	×	✓ AUD\$25 per adult
Transfers		
Upgrade to private car transfers at your location	×	✓
Door to door transfers: from your home to your nearest airport*	×	✓

*conditions apply

Valued at (based on 30 person guest list)

ABOUT US



WEDDING WEBSITE & GROUP BOOKINGS

Are you sitting there thinking, I can barely organise something for dinner, let alone manage 50+ peoples travel arrangements to the Cook Islands?

Well don't worry, we got you!

PERSONALISED WEDDING WEBSITES

- Showcase your love story & welcome note
- Digital RSVP system to track guests attending
- All guest accommodation & flight information
- Detailed wedding event itinerary
- Gift Registry
- Information to contact Viva Destination Weddings to book

ONCE YOUR GUEST LIST HAS BEEN FINALISED, WE CAN ORGANISE

- ✓ Guest accommodation
- ✓ Guest flights & transfers
- ✓ Additional pre & post travel arrangements
- ✓ Additional tours & experiences
- ✓ Depending on how many guests book through us, we can offer group discounts. *Note: Guests who book direct will not be included, and will minimise discounts available.*

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WEDDING & HONEYMOON OPTIONS

This showcases a wide variety of locations and resorts in the Cook Islands. If you would like an expert to produce a personalised guide, specific to your unique wedding requirements please contact us.

We have selected a variety of packages but most resorts will have multiple options, or we can create tailor made packages, so these are a guide and may not be the cheapest option.

As a romantic destination, the Cook Islands are the perfect place to celebrate your honeymoon!

We have selected just a few resorts, however there are many more options available, so please ask us.

- Sample wedding package
- Wedding Resorts
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NAUTILUS RESORT & SPA



Sister resort to Muri Beach Resort. Pure beachfront on Muri Beach with 17 luxurious private junior suites and 2- & 3-bedroom Ares' (villas) each with their own saltwater plunge pool offering a true South Pacific experience.

Redefining laid back luxury, and a full service resort, Nautilus is ideal for families, couples, celebratory parties and wedding gatherings, with resort buyout an option for the larger groups



WHAT WE LOVE

One of our favourites because of the option to have guests next door, plus it is gorgeous! They do amazing weddings here, and the beachfront is to die for. We love the personal saltwater plunge pools and chilling on the large outdoor deck on the luxurious sun lounges.



Great for groups, families, and honeymoons



Rarotonga - Transfers by road from the airport.

ARIKI VAINE (THE PRINCESS) WEDDING PACKAGE FROM A\$3,650

Includes:

- Professional on-site wedding co-ordinator & team at your service
- Marriage Licence application fee
- Transport and chaperone to the Ministry of Justice for registration
- Celebrant on the day and consultation prior to your wedding day
- Groomed beachfront venue with decorated archway & floral aisle
- Decorated bench seats (individual seats available at extra cost)
- Decorated signing table
- Floral Arrangements - Head Ei or Bouquet for the bride & Neck Ei or boutonhole flower for the groom
- A bottle of Chilled Nautilus Cuvee Brut NV
- Recorded background music of your choice
- Internationally recognised Marriage Certificate with Apostle Stamp
- Island wedding gift
- A romantic breakfast for two the day after
- Island Warrior Conch shell welcome for bride
- Brides beauty pamper-Mini facial, manicure & pedicure
- Bride & Groom Photography package (edited prints provided on USB) – 1 hour
- Serenade welcome for bride's arrival by a Ukulele player
- 2 Hour Bridal Hair & Makeup package
- Head Table Floral Oasis
- Island maiden dancer

Other packages available, ask us for details!
Terms, conditions and seasonal surcharges may apply.

ABOUT COOK ISLANDS

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Be there when the world is just getting going

Congratulations! You are looking at the **best possible place for your dream wedding or special anniversary** by considering the aptly Cook Islands.

With coastal and inland regions, amazing temperatures, island ambience and a warm, welcoming culture, the Cook Islands make it all easy. From when it comes to **being "in"**, wonderfully simple and available, modern and traditional, the Cook Islands present a **unique paradise** for a wedding to inspire the day.

Picture yourself walking down the aisle of a traditional Maori church to a beautiful choir of island voices, stepping barefoot onto sandy shores to see your vows blessed by island priests, being borne by happy islanders onto a boat to bring you back under a tropical Maori sunset.

Flights are daily with **easy connections** and there are a **variety of accommodation options**, from snug bungalows to beachfront villas, to private villas and large luxury resorts.

Just 20 minutes around and with only one health requirement, whichever direction you head in, you will get out in 30 minutes. With a **strong, rich culture, breathtaking views and unique food scene** and a variety of fun and music, you can indulge in a full century's heritage that is still firmly anchored by traditional Maori values and history.

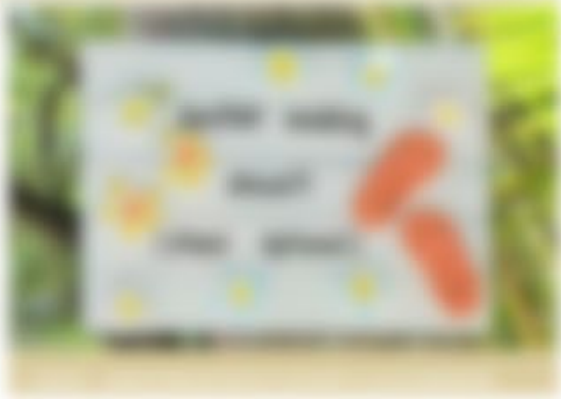


THE DREAM DESIGNS

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WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO HAVE A WEDDING IN THE ISLANDS?

When you choose to have your wedding destination all made up of people of many other Islands, including your own, you are creating a unique experience for yourself. **With our local and international vendors**, your wedding destination must be thoughtfully designed to meet all your needs and desires. **With our local and international vendors**, your wedding is not just a wedding, it's a celebration.



WHAT IS THE CULTURE LIKE THERE?

Each island culture is a blend of traditional and modern influences. The local background **with our local and international vendors** is a mix of traditional and modern influences. The local background **with our local and international vendors** is a mix of traditional and modern influences. The local background **with our local and international vendors** is a mix of traditional and modern influences.



WHAT ARE THE LOCALITIES LIKE?

Each island has its own unique character. The localities are a mix of traditional and modern influences. The localities are a mix of traditional and modern influences. The localities are a mix of traditional and modern influences. The localities are a mix of traditional and modern influences.



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THE DREAM DESTINATION

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WHEN IS THE BEST TIME TO GO?

The "best" season is officially November to March but it really does depend on the specific island you choose. There are the classic times when the weather is perfect and the crowds are just what you need. Other months are great too but you might have to deal with the occasional tropical weather system.



Are the Costs Always Affordable?

The answer is the only time costs are often higher is at the end of the year when you need to pay for the holiday. There are many ways to make your trip more affordable.

There are many ways to make your trip more affordable. You can choose to travel during the off-peak season or you can choose to travel during the peak season.



Are There Local Suppliers There?

Yes, there are many local suppliers in each of the islands. You can choose to travel during the off-peak season or you can choose to travel during the peak season. There are many ways to make your trip more affordable.



Is It Easy To Get Married There?

Yes, it is very easy to get married in each of the islands. You can choose to travel during the off-peak season or you can choose to travel during the peak season. There are many ways to make your trip more affordable.



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CONSIDERATIONS FOR APPLICATION

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Overview

Basically, the **idea of the road trip** has so much to see and do, all without paying for traffic lights, no rednecks and no building walls that a normal car.

Basically, it's not like any big event with **public attention and security** and **nothing to be afraid of**. With so much to offer you'll be excited to learn that getting around our beautiful island is so easy, so relaxing and so fun. It's so easy to get a scooter or a motorcycle or even a motorcycle. Or you can hire a car or a van or a truck or the back of a scooter and enjoy the view on your feet as you cruise around enjoying both beauty and adventure on top. It takes just 10 minutes to get around the whole island, so you'll never feel like you're stuck in the same spot.

In Hawaii, there are over **100 public and private roads** with many being located within walking distance from your accommodation. With options ranging from the best budget you've ever had to great family friendly options to the driving with a professional team, you'll always be up to the task.

The main thing with the road trip is that it is also much a **beautiful and scenic**. There is a huge variety of accommodation types out there, from small budget options to large luxury resorts. Some are adults only as well. You will definitely not want to miss out on these.

CONSIDERATION OF VACATION

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Activities

Guests enjoy **100% private** time to approximately 100 people and **100% pure beachfront**. No one else is on a 40-minute flight from Honolulu. Included and optional **5 night stays** are provided across the huge island with again.

Our bookings include in the **100% pure beachfront** the **100%**

Included and optional, it holds a **100% pure beachfront** many of which choose this location for the duration of their stay. You can look forward to great, sunny days simply walking in each other's company and the great island surroundings. Walk on just north being under a coconut palm, take with a message to get to directions to the secret garden.



LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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Getting married in Cook County is a public act, so you must be present in person to sign your documentation with a state notary.

Your documentation should be signed by an **authorized notary public**. All original documents are required to be taken to the state and signed by your wedding coordinator. It is **impermissible to use the Cook County State Notary Public to sign your wedding documents**. There are requirements to use the notary office during office hours. However, this is not possible, so an other option is a notary at the wedding.

Because the wedding is registered in the Cook County, it is **subject to Illinois law**. However, you cannot register the marriage with another state, neither a foreign state, as they are subject to legal process regarding to an alternative you can arrange for a notary ceremony in another state that has a license of notary authority in the Cook County.

There are some state office name change when they get married in Illinois which is often recorded in birth records and the legal documents that when you receive your marriage certificate get around a state name certified by a DF and with their staff.

Name and credit card are not valid a copy of the document and the original. Legally you are married and can use your new name, but it takes time and more effort to do a name change.

For legally marry in the Cook County, you need to:

- Be unmarried, widowed or divorced
- Be an adult (18 years of age or older)
- Be of legal age or over
- Any witnesses must be 17 years of age or over
- Both spouses must be physically present to obtain their official license
- Provide you are in Cook County three days before the wedding day.

You will also need to provide:

- Two witness and their certificate will be required when filing for the "Notice of intended marriage"
- A copy of the license obtained in Illinois
- Your name and **address** you will need to provide the birth certificate of your spouse
- License number will need to have completed a course by approved course, such as the Pre-Cook program, and will need to have license certificate
- All documentation must be in English or translated into English.

Some of the things are not able to be performed in the Cook County

WEDDING RESOURCES

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We are delighted to work with all of the resorts in the Cook Islands. This is a suggestion for all some of our favourite places, but it is really important that we work with you to find the best resort for your requirements, so we can create your dream wedding.

Available Wedding Venues

- Atafu Lagoon Private Island Resort
- Edgewater Resort & Spa
- The Island Hotel
- Blue Beach Club Hotel
- Blue Beach Resort
- Nautilus Resort & Spa
- Pacific Resort Hanganga
- Hanganga Beach Resort & ~~Lagoon~~
- Sanctuary Hanganga Beach Resort



HONEYMOONS

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Experience the magic of the Cook Islands

From colorful undersea worlds to amazing green, undulating volcanic landscapes, a lifetime of happiness together begins in the Cook Islands.

When you arrive across 2 million square kilometers of water, you'll find the peace of the ocean, the sublime beauty of volcanic, rugged white sand, deserted private islands, a tropical feast with private perfect beaches, private spa, stone cottages and nothing gets better when you get to the unique and charming accommodation just perfect for you.

The pace of life is naturally relaxed here, and you can't escape the air of romance around every corner. Lounge on beautiful shores until sunset.

Enjoying a kaleidoscope of culture, another wave catches when all manner of magical life will announce themselves to you in take a leisurely dip in a tropical lagoon before securing the position in your honeymoon - that's honeymoon bliss.

At the start of your honeymoon, you'll be able to see the wedding venue for honeymoon only.

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