

# WEDDING PACKAGES 2024

Situated on the banks of the Palmiet River, Elgin River Lodge is the perfect laid-back, getaway. You'll find us deep in the Overberg's Elgin Valley where the natural backdrop is unrelentingly beautiful. Elgin River Lodge is the ideal setting for outdoor and indoor venues for both ceremony and reception. We offer stunning indoor wedding, corporate events, private functions, family getaways, birthday parties or just the chance to reconnect with nature just an hour outside of Cape Town. This is a one of a kind river side setting where dreams really do come true.











## VENUE HIRE

LOW SEASON (MAY 2024 - AUGUST 2024)

Week Days (Mon-Thurs): R32 000 Weekend & Public Holidays: R35 200 PEAK SEASON (SEPTEMBER 2024 - APRIL 2025)

Week Days (Mon-Thurs) - R42 000 Weekend & Public Holidays - R48 000

#### Venue Hire Includes

- A beautiful venue for ceremony, canapé and reception
- Waiters and barman for up to 120 guests
- Management presence
- Standard cutlery and crockery
- Pre drinks table with glass drink dispenser
- Standard bar glasses, one wine and one champagne
- Physical cash bar set up and ice
- Ice buckets on stands
- Wine barrels x2
- Cake table, gift table and DJ table

#### **Excludes**

- Food and beverages
- Decor and flowers
- Wedding cake
- Bedouin tent, marquee or structures
- Tables and chairs
- Linen and napkins
- Stationary table numbers and seating plans
- Lighting, sound and music
- All external supplier services I.e. Dj , photographer, videographer, florist, Coordinator/planner
- Barmen and waiters over 120 guests



The hill top garden overlooks the majestic river and mountain views and is a beautiful blank canvas on which you can create your ultimate wedding.

The banquet hall is the perfect winter venue for your intimate wedding.







#### ACCOMMODATION

There is a minimum requirement of 2 nights over weekends and 3 nights over long weekends. All accommodation must be booked in order to secure the venue. This can be paid by the bridal party or individually by your guests. A 50% deposit is required to reserve an accommodation booking. Any accommodation that is not booked by wedding date will be for the bridal party's account.

A total of 100 guests can be accomoodated.

We can accommodate 44 guests in our main lodge and 16 guests in our Villa. There is a tented and dorm option for over flow for up to another 40 guests.

- 9x standard chalets accommodating two (king size or two singles)
- 4x family chalets accommodating four (2 adults and 2 children) (open plan with King Size bed and double bunks)
- 2 x family chalets accommodating 5 (2 adults and 3 children) (open plan with a king size bed and a double bunk and a single bed)

The Villa is 1 km away from The Lodge. It sleeps 8 adults and 8 children. (4bedrooms and a loft).

A 4x4 vehicle is preferable to access this accommodation, or at the very least a vehicle with high ground clearance and rear wheel drive. Guests may leave their vehicles at the lodge parking lot and make use of one vehicle in their party that is capable of the journey.

Transport to and from the villa is for your own arrangement.

Check-in: 14h00 to 18h00 Check-out: 8h00 to 10h00

#### **VERY IMPORTANT:**

Please inform us if you will be checking in later, or checking out earlier, as we do not have a 24 hour reception desk.





#### BAR FACILITIES

There are a number of ways to organize the workings of the bar on your wedding day:

I. Cash Bar: Your guests pay for their own beverages at the bar

2. Limited Tab: You select a monetary tab limit that you will pay towards the bar. Once the limit is reached then the bar changes over to a cash bar or you can set a new limit on the evening.

3. Open Tab: Your guests may drink anything at the bar for the entire evening and

you settle the full tab before departure.

NB. Regarding bar tabs:

A credit card would need to be left with the barman and full and final settlement of the total bill

Serving Staff - waiters and barmen included for parties fewer than 120.

Ensuring the quality of service for you and your guests we provide one waiter for every 10-12 guests and 2 barman for 60 guests and more. Depending on the final floor layout, this may change.

For parties over 120 the additional charge below will apply.

Waiters: R500 per waiter Barman: R600 per barman

# VENUE COORDINATING

You will have use of our venue coordinator, who has a wealth of knowledge and experience to share with you, who will be ready to assist you throughout the whole planning process.

Unfortunately we do not offer an in-house wedding planner service as we feel this is best managed by a qualified professional or by the wedding party themselves.





# FAQ'S

## Q. Where are we situated?

A. In the heart of apple countryElgin/ Grabouw, 15 minutes off the N2, an hour's drive outside of Cape Town.

#### Q. What is the back-up plan in case of bad weather?

A. Depending on the amount of guests, you would have to choose to hire a stretch tent or marquee at your own cost. We can recommend suppliers.

## Q. Do we host more than one wedding on the same day?

A. No, we don't want the pressure of time stressing anyone out on such a special day. We do however operate a fully functional lodge and restaurant on a daily basis and will accept bookings on days other than the wedding day.

#### Q. What is the maximum amount?

A. Indoors - 80 with a dance floor

Outdoors - max of 120 with a dance floor anything bigger we are happy to discuss.

## Q. Is there a minimum amount of guests required?

A. For less than 40 guests please consult our venue coordinator.

## Q. What is the cut-off time?

A. Estate closes at 24hoo. Last rounds for evening functions will be called at 23h3o. Extensions are only allowed upon request until 02hooam. A venue hire fee of R2500 per hour after 24hoo will apply and the balance must be settled on departure. Please note certain service providers may also have extra chargers after 12 - eg. DJ/coordinators etc.





#### HOW TO BOOK

#### Please note:

We do not accept provisional bookings. We work on a first come first serve basis and dates are secured with full payment of venue fee.

#### Q. How do I secure a booking?

STEP 1: Confirm that the date you require is still available and that you want to confirm your booking.

STEP 2: Email the proof of payment of the venue hire fee indicated on your quote. You can pay by cash, cash deposit or EFT. (We regret no cheque payments allowed). Any additional deposit fees will

be borne by you.

STEP 3: Forward a signed & initialled copy of the terms and conditions to info@elginriverlodge.co.za.

STEP 4: Email a recent photo of you and your fiancé together for your wedding portfolio. (The photo is purely for your wedding portfolio as it is always nice to put a face to the names, especially if we are planning the wedding while you are living abroad, so any recent photo of you and your fiancé together will do.)

# Q. When is the final numbers and payment due?

Final numbers must be confirmed 45 days prior to your wedding date, after which you will receive a final invoice.

Final payment is required no later than 30 days prior to your wedding date. The venue fee amount will be deducted from the total amount due on your final invoice

#### **BANK DETAILS**

Bank: FNB

Branch : Commercial Account Acc Number : 62585227301 Branch Code : 210554

Acc Name : Elgin River Lodge

Swift Code : FIRNZ AJJ

