



St Claire Country House

Weddings Booklet



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About St Claire Country House

A country estate for your wedding

St Claire Country House is a country estate with gracious French Colonial buildings and a perfumed romantic garden, all set in gorgeous countryside. It can provide the perfect setting for your fashionable wedding in the country.

The venue space comprises a French Salon and the North Lawn. The ceremony can be in the Salon or outdoors. The reception can be in the Salon or outdoors on the North Lawn.

There is a separate luxury Guest House for accommodation.

You have exclusive use of the venue and accommodation. We only have one wedding here per weekend.

Pre-wedding time

In the Guest House there is a divine common room in neutral colours with a gorgeous fireplace, chandelier and birdcage that are perfect settings for your pre-wedding photos. There is also plenty of space to have the fun of getting ready together with your attendants.

Beautiful French Salon

The Salon of St Claire is a splendid French conservatory style room, filled with flowers and plants. It was designed to be beautiful and captivating – a space suited to special occasions. The Salon is dominated by a large open fireplace that has a Louis XVI marble mantelpiece holding candelabra and flowers, with a gilded mirror above. It provides the perfect backdrop for a wedding ceremony. **If the lounge furniture is removed, a wedding reception can be held in the Salon. The reception could be cocktail style or sit down, with appropriate furniture being hired by the wedding couple. We just provide the venue – the room with the dining table and 22 dining chairs, the coffee table and small occasional tables in it.** People can spill out onto the gracious verandas of the Salon which have rattan and wicker furniture.

North Lawn

A wedding ceremony can be held on the North Lawn. If you wish a floral arch or wall can be set up.

For receptions on the North Lawn you have four options for a set up: some umbrellas, stools and wine barrels; an open plan canvas village (some shelters/cabanas, a bar, lounge furniture, umbrellas, chairs and tables etc. with different stations); a traditional marquee or a chic luxury canvas and cotton rope and pole tent marquee. The set up can be done to suit the number of guests and your style. **We just provide the venue – the empty North Lawn.** Other providers supply the umbrellas, canvas village, traditional marquee or luxury canvas and cotton rope and pole tent marquee – and all the contents, accessories etc. that you need. Games such as croquet, boules and chess can be played.

Style your own wedding

You can style your own wedding, showcasing your taste and design flair, from having a stunning floral arrangement in the Salon to creating an amazing space for your guests to enjoy outside.

Accommodation

The separate and private Guesthouse has three plush bedrooms that sleep six people - the Blue, Teal and Grey rooms (all with en suite), a sumptuous living area, well equipped kitchen and tranquil outdoor area. There is another bedroom available, the Yellow room in the East Wing that sleeps two people.

Location

Trentham East, where St Claire is located, is only one hour North West from inner Melbourne and five minutes from hip Trentham village, with its gourmet Annie Smithers restaurant, gastro pubs and trendy cafes.

Explore the surroundings

Trentham is the centre of a very interesting tourist region so please stay and explore. There are gardens, lakes, nature walks, a lavender farm, art galleries, specialist shopping, nurseries, a waterfall and many great cafes and restaurants.

Wedding Requirements and Options

Accommodation

We can sleep up to eight people.

Accommodation for two nights must be taken if you are getting married here. Over a weekend, if taken for normal hours, the accommodation is \$1,500 for the three bedroom Guest House that sleeps six. The Guest House accommodation is available from 12 pm on the Friday until 4 pm on the Sunday for \$1,800. An additional bedroom that sleeps two is available for \$500.

Bubbles and nibbles are provided on the first evening.

A continental breakfast is provided each morning.

Options

There are options available:

1. Pre-wedding dinner on the night before the wedding

A pre-wedding dinner can be organised for up to 12 people in the Guest House dining area or up to 22 people in the Salon dining area. Please enquire if you are interested.

2. Continental breakfast for up to 22 people

A delicious continental breakfast can be made available for up to 22 people in the Guest House outdoor eating area or in the Salon on the morning after the wedding. (People staying in the Guest House do not have to pay for this.)

Price: \$25 per head

3. BBQ or Luncheon on the day after the wedding for up to 22 people

Caterers can provide a lunch or BBQ food and beverage on the day after the wedding.

A waitress who sets up, waits during the meal and cleans up is included in the price.

The meal will take place in the outdoor eating area of the Guest House or in the Salon if the weather is inclement.

Price for venue hire: \$500

A. Ceremony Only

Locations

A ceremony can be held in the Salon or on the North Lawn to the north of the Salon. Follow up drinks and canapes can be in the Salon and verandas or on the North Lawn.

Gorgeous photos can be taken in the Guest House, in the Salon, on the verandas and outside.

Food and beverage

We do not provide the food and beverage. This enables you to bring in your own caterer that does the food and beverage the way you want. (We can suggest caterers if you like.) For a feast table and drinks you may need to allow \$50 per head.

Number of people

The Salon and North Lawn can have up to 120 people standing up.

Venue Price

The venue price for the ceremony and drinks and canapes afterwards, over a period up to two hours, is \$750.



B. Ceremony and Reception Options

Venue options

The ceremony can be inside the Salon or outside. The reception can be inside the Salon or outside on the North Lawn.

Our venue options are the empty Salon and the North Lawn with nothing on it. The prices below are for the hire of the empty Salon or for the hire of the North Lawn with nothing on it. The hirer needs to pay for the hire of a tent/marquee/canvas shelters/umbrellas etc. (if choosing the North Lawn); and hire of furniture, crockery/cutlery/glassware etc. and food and beverage, in addition to the empty venue hire. For indicative all up costs see later pages.

Empty Salon

Ceremonies and receptions can be inside the Salon between the hours of 12 pm and 11 pm. The lounge furniture is removed to give more space and enable other furniture to be brought in. **Furniture hire, for example of tables and chairs, is an additional cost.**

The Salon can hold up to 120 people cocktail style and 88 people sit down.

You bring your own caterers and alcohol in and they can use the large kitchen at one end of the Salon.

Music levels cannot exceed 75 decibels.

Number of people	St Claire empty venue hire price October to April		St Claire empty venue hire price May to September 25% off		Notes
	Total	Per Person	Total	Per Person	
Up to 22	\$500	\$23	\$500	\$23	Salon price not reduced for up to 22 people from May to September Salon available up until 11 pm for 22 people or less
23 – 30	\$700	\$23	\$525	\$18	
31 - 40	\$900	\$25	\$675	\$17	
41 - 50	\$1,100	\$22	\$825	\$17	
51 - 60	\$1,300	\$22	\$975	\$17	
61 - 70	\$1,500	\$21	\$1,125	\$16	
71 -80	\$1,700	\$21	\$1,275	\$16	

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	<i>Total</i>	<i>Per Person</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Per Person</i>	
81 – 90	\$1,900	\$21	\$1,425	\$16	
91 – 100	\$2,100	\$21	\$1,575	\$16	
101 - 110	\$2,300	\$21	\$1,725	\$16	
111 - 120	\$2,500	\$21	\$1,875	\$16	

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Empty venue hire and accommodation prices – 2 nights' accommodation at \$1,500 for Guest House with three bedrooms

Number of people	October to April			May to September 25% discount on empty venue price (not accommodation)		
	Empty venue hire price	Guest house for 2 nights	Total St Claire Price	Empty venue hire price	Guest house for 2 nights	Total St Claire Price
Up to 22	\$500	\$1,500	\$2,000	\$500	\$1,500	\$2,000
23 – 30	\$700	\$1,500	\$2,200	\$525	\$1,500	\$2,025
31 - 40	\$900	\$1,500	\$2,400	\$675	\$1,500	\$2,175
41 - 50	\$1,100	\$1,500	\$2,600	\$825	\$1,500	\$2,325
51 - 60	\$1,300	\$1,500	\$2,800	\$975	\$1,500	\$2,475
61 - 70	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$1,125	\$1,500	\$2,625
71 -80	\$1,700	\$1,500	\$3,200	\$1,275	\$1,500	\$2,775
81 – 90	\$1,900	\$1,500	\$3,400	\$1,425	\$1,500	\$2,925
91 - 100	\$2,100	\$1,500	\$3,600	\$1,575	\$1,500	\$3,075
101 – 110	\$2,300	\$1,500	\$3,800	\$1,725	\$1,500	\$3,225
111 - 120	\$2,500	\$1,500	\$4,000	\$1,875	\$1,500	\$3,375

St Claire Country House Salon Prices

Total cost examples

October to April

(Including 2 nights' accommodation at \$1,500)

The empty venue price is for the Salon with lounge furniture removed but the dining table, dining chairs, coffee table and small occasional tables remaining.

People	St Claire		Salon Reception Cocktail style – furniture hire				Salon Reception Sit down – furniture hire			
			Allowing 6 people per table and having stools for 50% of the people. Using Eelmuhn bar tables and stools							
Number of people	Empty Venue Price	Total St Claire price (incl. accom)	Indicative price for tall cocktail tables and chairs	Total price for venue	Price per person for venue only	Price for venue and accommodation	Indicative price tables and chairs, with cloths, crockery and cutlery	Total price for venue	Price per person for venue only	Price for venue and accommodation
Up to 22	\$500	\$2,000	N.A.				N.A.			
23 – 30	\$700	\$2,200	\$300	\$1,000	\$33	\$2,500	\$576	\$2,776	\$93	\$4,276
31 - 40	\$900	\$2,400	\$1,020	\$1,920	\$48	\$3,420	\$978	\$3,378	\$84	\$4,878
41 - 50	\$1,100	\$2,600								
51 - 60	\$1,300	\$2,800	\$1,380	\$2,680	\$45	\$4,180	\$1,500	\$43,00	\$72	\$5,800
61 - 70	\$1,500	\$3,000								
71 -80	\$1,700	\$3,200	\$1,800	\$3,500	\$44	\$5,000	\$2,115	\$5,315	\$66	\$6,815
81 – 90	\$1,900	\$3,400								
91 – 100	\$2,100	\$3,600	\$2,520	\$4,650	\$47	\$6,120				

People	St Claire		Salon Reception Cocktail style – furniture hire Allowing 6 people per table and having stools for 50% of the people Using Eelmuhn bar tables and stools				Salon Reception Sit down – furniture hire			
Number of people	Empty Venue Price	Total St Claire price (incl. accom)	Indicative price for tall cocktail tables and chairs	Total price for venue	Price per person for venue only	Price for venue and accommodation	Indicative price tables and chairs, with cloths, crockery and cutlery	Total price for venue	Price per person for venue only	Price for venue and accommodation
101- 110	\$2,300	\$3,800								
111 - 120	\$2,500	\$4,000	\$3,000	\$5,500	\$46	\$7,000				

St Claire Country House North Lawn Options and Prices

Ceremonies and receptions can be outside between the hours of 11 am and 11 pm. The North Lawn can have up to 120 people on it. *We just provide the empty North Lawn.*

Marquees must be positioned at the back of the North Lawn and music levels cannot exceed 80 decibels at the source.

You can bring your own caterers and alcohol in. A caterer's kitchen needs to be set up. You must bring porta loos in.

There are four options for a set up (the indicative cost increases with each option). The photos provide examples only of what is possible. *For actual set ups and exact pricing, please deal with specific providers. You can choose your own providers. We can provide more information about suppliers upon request.*

1. Casual style:

Market umbrellas, stools and porta loos only



2. Open plan style

Shelters, bar, market umbrellas, wine barrels, stools, porta loos



3. Traditional Marquee

Marquee, tables with linen cloths, chairs, porta loos



Our supplier is Kyneton Hire.

<https://kynetonhire.com.au/>

4. Luxury Provincial Tent Hire (Canvas and cotton rope and pole tent)





Our supplier is Tent.

<https://www.tentluxuryhire.com.au/>

Total cost examples

(Including 2 nights' accommodation at \$1,500)

October to April

The empty venue price is for the empty North Lawn

People	St Claire		Casual style				Open plan style			
			Market umbrellas, stools and porta loos only				Shelters, bar, market umbrellas, stools, porta loos			
<i>Number of people</i>	<i>Empty Venue (Empty North Lawn)</i>	<i>Total St Claire price Empty venue + accom</i>	<i>Indicative price for hire</i>	<i>Total price for venue</i>	<i>Price per person for venue</i>	<i>Price for venue and accommodation</i>	<i>Indicative price for hire</i>	<i>Total price for venue</i>	<i>Price per person for venue</i>	<i>Price for venue and accommodation</i>
Up to 22	\$500	\$2,000	\$282	\$782	\$36	\$2,282	\$530	\$1,030	\$47	\$2,530
23 – 30	\$700	\$2,200	\$426	\$1,126	\$38	\$2,626	\$795	\$1,495	\$50	\$2,995
31 - 40	\$900	\$2,400	\$568	\$1,468	\$37	\$2,968	\$1,060	\$1,960	\$49	\$3,460
41 - 50	\$1,100	\$2,600	\$710	\$1,810	\$36	\$3,310	\$1,325	\$2,425	\$49	\$3,925
51 - 60	\$1,300	\$2,800	\$852	\$2,152	\$36	\$3,652	\$1,590	\$2,890	\$48	\$4,390
61 - 70	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$994	\$2,494	\$36	\$3,994	\$1,855	\$3,355	\$48	\$4,855
71 -80	\$1,700	\$3,200	\$1,136	\$2,836	\$35	\$4,336	\$2,120	\$3,820	\$48	\$5,320
81 – 90	\$1,900	\$3,400	\$1,278	\$3,178	\$35	\$4,678	\$2,385	\$4,285	\$48	\$5,785
91 – 100	\$2,100	\$3,600	\$1,420	\$3,520	\$35	\$5,020	\$2,650	\$4,750	\$48	\$6,250
101- 110	\$2,300	\$3,800	\$1,562	\$3,862	\$35	\$5,362	\$2,915	\$5,215	\$47	\$6,715
111 - 120	\$2,500	\$4,000	\$1,740	\$4,240	\$35	\$5,740	\$3,180	\$5,680	\$47	\$7,180

Total cost examples

(Including 2 nights' accommodation at \$1,500)

October to April

The St Claire venue price is for the empty North Lawn

People	St Claire		Traditional Marquee With furniture, table cloths, crockery, cutlery, glassware, some accessories and porta loos				Provincial Tent Hire (Canvas and cotton rope and pole tent) With furniture, table cloths, crockery, cutlery, glassware, some accessories and porta loos			
<i>Number of people</i>	<i>Empty Venue (Empty North Lawn)</i>	<i>Total St Claire price Empty venue accom</i>	<i>Indicative price for marquee hire, contents and porta loos</i>	<i>Total price for venue St Claire hire + marquee</i>	<i>Price per person for venue</i>	<i>Price for venue (St Claire, marquee and contents) and accommodatio n</i>	<i>Indicative price for luxury tent hire, contents and porta loos</i>	<i>Total price for venue St Claire hire + tent</i>	<i>Price per person for venue only</i>	<i>Price for venue (St Claire, tent and contents) + accomm</i>
Up to 22	\$500	\$2,000			\$23				\$23	
23 – 30	\$700	\$2,200					\$2,375	\$3,075	\$103	\$4,575
31 - 40	\$900	\$2,400					\$2,675	\$3,575	\$89	\$5,075
41 - 50	\$1,100	\$2,600					\$4,430	\$5,530	\$111	\$7,030
51 - 60	\$1,300	\$2,800	\$3,500	\$4800	\$80	\$6,300	\$4,610	\$5,910	\$99	\$7,410
61 - 70	\$1,500	\$3,000					\$6,215	\$7,715	\$110	\$9,215
71 -80	\$1,700	\$3,200	\$4,500	\$6200	\$78	\$7,700	\$6,395	\$8,095	\$101	\$9,595
81 – 90	\$1,900	\$3,400					\$6,635	\$8,535	\$95	\$10,035
91 – 100	\$2,100	\$3,600	\$5,500	\$7600	\$76	\$9,100	\$8,495	\$10,595	\$106	\$12,095
101- 110	\$2,300	\$3,800					\$8,935	\$11,235	\$102	\$12,735
111 - 120	\$2,500	\$4,000	\$6,500	\$9000	\$75	\$10,,500	\$9,115	\$11,615	\$97	\$13,115

St Claire Country House - Recommendations

Marquees

Tent <https://www.tentluxuryhire.com.au/>

Kyneton Hire <https://kynetonhire.com.au/>

Furniture and Contents

Memphis Hire <http://memphishire.com.au/>

Kyneton Hire <https://kynetonhire.com.au/>

Food and Beverage

You will need to bring your own caterers in which gives you a lot of choice in style of food.

You can supply your own alcohol for your caterers to serve.

Indicative prices for food and beverage with caterers providing waiters is \$120 per head.

Waitresses can serve the food and your alcohol. They cost approximately \$35 per hour.

Some examples of caterers that supply in this region are:

- Monsieur Pierre <https://www.monsieurpierre.com.au/caterevents> https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/adc1fc_bdf9c319b96e4b828f50a2689e35a13f.pdf
- Fred & Ginger <https://www.fredandginger.com.au/>
- Spade to Blade <http://www.spadetoblade.com/>
- Trufflepig Catering and Events <https://www.trufflepig.com.au/>
- Roland Schaedle
- Emma James

You need to provide your own beverage. You can set up your own bar for this if you like. There are also vintage caravan options where you pay for the alcohol and it is served from the vans. Examples of companies include:

- A Country Affair <http://www.acountryaffair.com.au/>
- Meet Gertrude <http://www.meetgertrude.com.au/>

Florist

Flowers in a Vase at Woodend <http://www.flowersinavase.com.au/>

Wedding Cake

Blackbird Cakes at Woodend Phone: 5427 2473 <http://blackbirdcakes.com.au/>

Lawn Games

If you are having your reception outside on the North Lawn, you may want to provide lawn games for your guests to play. One company that hires out equipment is:

My Sweet Event <http://mysweetevent.com.au/hire-category/lawngames/>

Civil Celebrant

Sylvia Johnson from Trentham Phone: 0419 229 488 ozenjoy@ozemail.com.au

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