

A stunning bushland backdrop

for your special day

**HEALESVILLE
SANCTUARY**

Healesville Sanctuary



Just one hour drive from Melbourne nestled in the heart of the Yarra Valley, Healesville Sanctuary offers a breathtaking backdrop for an unforgettable wedding. Surrounded by pristine bushland, alive with native wildlife, the Sanctuary provides a uniquely Australian setting.

The venue is yours for the day...

You and your guests will have the whole space, creating a more intimate and bespoke experience. With no other events scheduled, our team at the Sanctuary is dedicated to ensuring your wedding and reception runs smoothly.

"Healesville Sanctuary Weddings and Events took care of everything for our wedding, and the staff were incredible on the day. They helped everything run smoothly. Having the ceremony and the reception on the same venue was very relaxing, and allowing the guests to explore the sanctuary and play lawn games was the cherry on top. 100% recommend as a venue to anyone who loves Australian nature and animals, or just wants a relaxed and fun wedding."

Deborah & Andrew



Ceremonies

Enjoy private use of our beautiful ceremony location with botanic bushland style decor and your choice of a floral-dressed arbour.

Ceremony inclusions:

- Exclusive use of ceremony space
- 24 ceremony chairs
- Signing table and flowers
- Your choice of two styles of arbour and floral dressing
- Healesville Sanctuary photography licence
- Additional arbours, carpet isle, flowers and styling upgrades available on request

The Brolga Lawn

The Brolga Lawn features a lush, green, well-manicured lawn surrounded by vibrant Australian native gardens, expertly cared for by the Healesville Sanctuary Horticulture team. It's a beautiful setting for spring and summer days, and is located just outside the Brolga Room where your Reception would be held.

The Robert Eadie Pavilion

Exchange your vows year-round in the picturesque Robert Eadie Pavilion, perfect for an intimate gathering with your friends and family. With stunning stone walls and a cozy crackling fireplace, along with charming festoon lighting, this venue offers a romantic ambience that keeps your guests warm and dry during the cooler Melbourne months.





Reception



The Brolga Room

Featuring timeless stonewalls and expansive glass windows, the Brolga Room offers a view of the lush, sprawling lawn, creating a harmonious blend of intimacy and opulence for you and your guests.

The surrounding landscape boasts towering trees, babbling creeks, tranquil fern gullies, and an array of wildlife, providing a captivating backdrop for your cherished wedding photographs.

Seated 80

Cocktail 150

When you have your reception with us, we include the following:

- Brolga Lawn ceremony space[^]
- Brolga Room hire for reception
- Pre-reception roaming canapes
- 5-hour standard alcohol* and non-alcoholic beverages
- Lawn games
- White tablecloths, napkins, table numbers, cake knife and board
- Set up and pack down of the ceremony and reception space
- Audio Visual- Cordless roaming mic, projector, surround-sound speakers
- Experienced Event Manager for coordination of your wedding

Reception options

Plated

Chef's selection of canapes to begin your reception, a two-course plated menu, and your own wedding cake served to the table with tea and coffees.

Entrée- Choose two

- Individual grazing plate featuring Yarra Valley regional produce
- Gravalax salmon
- Confit duck pithivier
- Seasonal vegetable tart

Mains- Choose two

- High country pork cutlet
- Free-range roast chicken breast
- Pan-fried barramundi
- Slow-braised beef
- Cauliflower fritters

Additional Sides for the table- Choose two

- Rosemary chat potatoes
- Creamy mashed potato
- Steamed seasonal vegetables
- Roasted seasonal vegetables
- Garden salad



BBQ buffet

Consider a more relaxed alternative to a plated dinner with our deluxe BBQ option for the main meal. Chef's selection of canapes to begin your reception and the buffet service will be assisted for your guests to help themselves and enjoy a casual dining experience. Plus, your own wedding cake will be served to the table with tea and coffee.



Australian High Tea Cocktail

Perfect for creating a relaxed yet sophisticated atmosphere. Select two of the Australian native inspired cocktails paired with delightful high tea catering.

- Assorted cakes and tarts
- Selection of ribbon sandwiches
- Plain scones with Yarra Valley jam and cream
- Selection of quiches
- Assorted petit pies
- Sliced seasonal fruit
- Cheese and crackers
- Freshly brewed coffee, tea and herbal infusions
- Sparkling water

Australian native inspired cocktails

- Wattle Blossom Spritz
- Kangaroo Cooler
- Bush Lemon Margarita
- Lemon Myrtle Mojito
- Chandon Spritz



Upgrade reception options

Upgrade to a three-course plated reception featuring a sweet conclusion

Desserts – Choose two

- Grand Marnier truffle mousse
- Chocolate tart
- Petite pavlovas
- Vanilla bean panna cotta
- Mandarin mousse

Upgrade beverage package

Your choice of 4 red and 4 white wines, locally brewed beer, cider and spritzer.

Reception extension (until 11pm)

Add grazing package

Add shared platters for the table

- Yarra Valley Cheese
- Antipasto Platter
- Mezze Platter (v)
- Seasonal Fruit Platter

Add a meal for vendor

(photographer, MC, DJ etc.)



Special requests



Bonbonniere gifts

Instead of traditional bonbonniere gifts, consider making a meaningful contribution on behalf of your guests towards the crucial cause of fighting wildlife extinction. Donations support vital conservation efforts aimed at preserving endangered species and their habitats.

This thoughtful gesture not only leaves a lasting impression but also contributes to Zoos Victoria's effort to ensure a brighter and more sustainable future for our planet and its precious biodiversity. Your guests will receive a meaningful token and information card about our wildlife conservation efforts.



Animal Experiences

Elevate your special day with a unique wildlife experience at the Sanctuary. Capture memorable photos as you and your partner enjoy an intimate moment with one of Australia's iconic native animals up close. Our expert zookeepers will provide a safe and respectful interaction, ensuring memories that will last a lifetime. Speak to our events team to book this unforgettable experience for your wedding day.



Florals

Consult with our in-house stylist to discuss your floral arrangements.

Reception pricing

For the reception, we charge \$165 per person for guests aged 13 to 17. Children aged 2 to 12 can enjoy kids' meals for \$25 per person.

Pricing

Prices are inclusive of GST. All quoted prices for our services and packages include Goods and Services Tax (GST) as applicable. This means that the total cost you see is what you will pay, with no hidden fees. We strive for transparency in our pricing to ensure a straightforward experience for all clients.


Some of the specific menu items are subject to change. While we aim to provide a consistent and delightful menu, please note that specific items may be subject to change based on seasonal availability, supplier variations, or unforeseen circumstances. We will do our best to inform you of any changes in advance and will always strive to provide alternatives that maintain the quality and theme of your selected package.



Dietaries

We understand and aim to accommodate for dietary restrictions and allergies. Wherever possible, we will provide alternative options to your guests. While we take every precaution to accommodate dietary needs, it is ultimately the guest's responsibility to make their dietary needs known. We recommend that guests with severe allergies take additional precautions when dining with us.





If you are considering Healesville
Sanctuary for your wedding
venue, we would be delighted
to arrange a site visit and
prepare a quote for you.

Contact us **03 5957 2837** or
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