

# Wedding Ceremonies – Heart2heart Ceremonies

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Hi. Thank you for requesting more information about my services and fees for your wedding, and congratulations on your decision to marry.

My aim is to create a wedding ceremony for you that is personal, loving and inclusive of your guests and any special people in your life (children, parents, grandparents, the people standing there with you on the day too—your bridesmaids and groomsmen). I do this with your help—I ask you what is important to you on the day, how you see the ceremony, what are your dreams and goals as a couple. I give you lots of ideas for vows, readings and other ceremony inclusions (rituals) such as handfasting, wine, candle, sand and flower ceremonies. And I attend to all the legal details as well.

My role is to support you to have the ceremony you want—whether that is traditional, simple yet elegant, alternative, relaxed and easygoing or simply fun. I have assisted couples with weddings in chapels, in rainforests, at home, at Dracula's Haunted House on the Gold Coast, on boats, islands, beaches and mountains. I love my job! And I'd love to assist you with your ceremony. Our first meeting, or phone call if you live at a distance, is obligation-free—a chance for you to ask questions and see if you would like me to be your celebrant.

Choosing a celebrant is a very personal thing and it is important to feel comfortable with the person who will stand close by while you make your important and personal promises to the one you love.

## *Fees and what they include—current as at 1 December 2008*

For South East Queensland, my fee will generally be between \$427 and \$447, depending on the distance I have to travel to your wedding. For example, Mount Tamborine and Beaudesert, Nerang and Sanctuary Cove are \$427, Brisbane City, Cleveland, Surfers Paradise and Broadbeach are \$437, further south on the Gold Coast and the northern suburbs of Brisbane are \$447. Occasionally, I get to do a wedding on an island or further afield—in this case, there will also be travel fees and sometimes accommodation as well, if I cannot travel there and back in the same day. This may include additional fuel costs, water taxi fees, airfares, and parking fees.

My fee includes approximately 15-20 hours of work:

- ✿ Up to 5 meetings
- ✿ A rehearsal
- ✿ Use of a P.A. system so that your guests can hear the ceremony
- ✿ All the legal paperwork—your Notice of Intended Marriage, declarations, preparation of certificates and registering your marriage afterwards
- ✿ Attendance and travel on the day
- ✿ The loan of a ceremony planning book with lots of ideas for your ceremony
- ✿ A ceremony created with you in mind (no standard ceremonies)

