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Weddings



Welcome to THE GARDENS CLUB

Where vintage vibes meet lush surrounds and heritage history with cottage charm. A wedding destination with the best of both worlds – city views and rainforest greenery located in the heart of Brisbane City Botanic Gardens.

Originally built circa 1909, the now-heritage listed curator's cottage and adjacent terrace and ceremony lawn, provide the perfect, all-in-one wedding destination. Featuring all the classic Queenslander hallmarks – high ceilings, cornices, VJ walls, soft lighting and an expansive bay window view out into the gardens, The Gardens Club is an all-weather accessible and pet-friendly wedding venue with indoor and outdoor options.

Our team of specialised event staff will work with you to plan your special day with ease.

The Gardens Club is part of The Wise Foundation and within The Gardens Club, Wise Foundation operate a program designed to assist those in the community facing barriers to employment. The Wise Hospitality Program provides three months of employment and training to individuals from refugee and asylum seeker backgrounds. Working in partnership with Multicultural Australia, participants are inducted into the workplace and provided with extensive training by hospitality professionals.

Thank you for supporting our social enterprise programs and projects through choosing to partner with us for your special celebrations (see page 17 for more information on our profit for purpose mission).

The Gardens Club Team

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THE GARDENS CLUB

Wedding Experience

\$3,600

An all-in-one wedding experience which flows seamlessly from the gardens to your very own private terrace and reception area.

Every ceremony and reception hosted includes

- **Manicured lawn and paved area** adjacent to The Gardens Club for your ceremony location – either city or rainforest facing (\$380 cost of hire included)
- We take care of the booking and logistics with Brisbane City Council
- **Exclusive use of terrace and venue facilities** for guests, including bar and seating for up to 7 hours
- The Gardens Club heritage listed Curator's cottage as a wet weather alternative
- **Dedicated event staff** to manage guest arrival and ensure your ceremony is a private affair for your group (minimum of three staff)
- **Event coordinator** to help plan your day (minimum one post-booking planning meeting, plus rehearsal)
- **Use of all of the facilities** of The Gardens Club (bathrooms, air conditioning, PA system for post-ceremony music)
- **Timber arbour** for you to decorate to your taste (or we can coordinate with your florist or stylist)
- **Six charcuterie grazing boards** post-ceremony for your guests and for the bride and groom while you get photos
- **Exclusive staffed bar** with 5 bottles of Australian sparkling and non-alcoholic punch station for post-ceremony celebrations
- **AV system** with microphone for speeches, connectivity with smartphones for your custom spotify playlist
- Use of the reclaimed wooden tables & bentwood chairs and other venue furniture to your taste to create the style of reception you dream of
- All **crockery, cutlery, and glassware** required for all events, and linen napery for sit down packages
- **Vases** for bridal bouquets
- **Wooden easel** for your welcome sign
- **Cake and gift tables**
- Cake cut by chef and served on platters



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Ceremony

\$2,900 No minimum or maximum numbers

The manicured lawn adjacent to The Gardens Club in the Brisbane City Botanic Gardens is the perfect ceremony location for your “I do’s”. The Gardens Club ceremony package will ensure everything is picture perfect on your special day.

Your booking includes the heritage listed cottage as a back up wet weather option and the following inclusions:

- Manicured lawn and paved area adjacent to The Gardens Club for your ceremony location – either city or rainforest facing (\$380 cost of hire included)
- We take care of the booking and logistics with Brisbane City Council on your behalf
- Exclusive use of terrace and venue facilities for guests including bar and seating for up to 2 hours
- Dedicated event staff to manage guest arrival and ensure your ceremony is a private affair for your group (minimum of three staff)
- Event coordinator to help plan your day (minimum one post-booking planning meeting, plus rehearsal)
- Vintage signing table with 2 bentwood chairs
- 30 ceremony bentwood chairs set up for your guests
- Use of all of the facilities of The Gardens Club (bathrooms, air conditioning, PA system for post-ceremony music)

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- Timber arbour for you to decorate to your taste (or we can coordinate with your florist or stylist)
- Wooden easel for you to add your welcome sign
- Six charcuterie grazing boards post-reception for your guests and for the bride and groom while you get photos
- Exclusive staffed bar with 5 bottles of Australian sparkling and a non-alcoholic punch station for post-ceremony celebrations

OPTIONAL EXTRAS

- Additional bottles of sparkling wine for guests as they arrive from the ceremony - \$50 per bottle
- Extra grazing platters \$80 per platter (designed to share between 8-10 people)
- Roving canapes post-ceremony - choose any four from our premium canape menu for \$45pp (min. 30 people)
- Welcome refreshments for guests – let your guests enjoy a refreshing Kombucha before the ceremony, choosing from Ginger and Turmeric or Hibiscus and Galangal- \$5pp
- Extension of booking time - \$200 per hour
- PA system for celebrant - \$150
- Liquor licence extended to ceremony lawn - \$200

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Ceremony

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Please note that as part of the terms and conditions booking with Brisbane City Council confetti (of any kind, biodegradable or not) is not to be used on the lawn. You may use fresh flowers, leaves or bubbles as part of your celebrations.





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Reception

\$1,600

Minimum: 30, Maximum: 60 (sit down) 150 (cocktail)

The perfect setting to celebrate with your loved ones in the natural, lush greenery of the Brisbane City Botanic Gardens. Our air-conditioned, heritage listed Curator's cottage, fairy-lit terrace and covered inner deck are the perfect romantic and private setting for your wedding reception.

- Exclusive use of the function room and terrace for up to 5 hours
- AV system with microphone for speeches, connectivity with smartphones for your custom spotify playlist
- Use of the reclaimed wooden tables & bentwood chairs and other venue furniture to your taste to create the style of reception you dream of
- All crockery, cutlery and glassware required for all events, and linen napery for sit down packages
- Vases
- Cake and gift tables
- Exclusive bar and staff
- Timber easel for seating plan/welcome sign
- Cake cut by chef and served on platters

Choose from either **Cocktail Event** or **Sit-Down Banquet** packages for your perfect reception menu.

THE GARDENS CLUB

Cocktail Event

\$160 per guest

Min: 30 (POA if less)

Max: 150

A versatile and dynamic menu with roving food service and dedicated wait staff to suit your budget and style.

In addition to The Gardens Club Wedding Experience on page 3, treat your guests to six canapes and one mini meal with a 5-hour premium beverage package.

THE GARDENS CLUB

Sit Down Banquet

\$180 per guest

Minimum: 30

Maximum: 60

Enjoy a seated banquet menu with your loved ones on your special day.

Canapes will be served while your guests mingle post-ceremony, before sitting down for the more formal part of your celebrations.

In addition to The Gardens Club Wedding Experience inclusions on page 3:

- Two hot and two cold canape options
- Choice of two main meal options with accompanying sides
- 5 hour premium beverage package

All menu item choices & beverage package details can be found on page 8 and onwards.



THE GARDENS CLUB

Food

Charcuterie grazing boards (designed to feed 8-10 people)

Gluten free crackers, mixed deli meats, olives, dried fruits, toasted mixed nuts, mixed gourmet cheese selection, mixed house-made dips, quince jelly, sundried tomatoes all minimum inclusions.

CANAPES

COLD

- Smoked salmon and cucumber rolls (GF)
- Bruschetta with olive oil panini (V)
- Beetroot and goats cheese tartlets (V)
- Wild mushroom quiche (GF)

HOT

- Ratatouille and goats cheese open pie (V, GF)
- Fried tofu with a sweet glaze (V, GF)
- Falafel, beetroot hummus, flatbread, dukkha (V, GF)
- Pumpkin & chicken dumpling with beetroot pastry
- Fried honey and sesame chicken bites (GF)
- Seared chilli steak (GF)
- Barramundi spring roll with house tartare
- Char Siu BBQ Pork Bun



Mini Meals

Plus one choice from the following:

- Kofta spiced lamb with beetroot hummus, flatbread and taziki
- Crispy lemon chicken bao (V option: tempura tofu)
- Vietnamese Noodle Salad with vegetable spring rolls (V)
- Tempura prawn with slaw and caper mayo rolls
- BBQ Pulled pork quesadillas
- Seasonal fish ceviche with crispy plantain
- Wagyu beef burgers with milk sesame slider bun
- Coconut, chickpea and pumpkin curry with Roti (V)

Add in a late-night food stand for those post-dancing hungries for \$15pp

- Cheese station – gourmet cheeses, crackers, lavosh and deli meats
- Dessert station – house-baked pastries, goodie balls, mini cakes and slices





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Sit Down Banquet

Choose two of the following with their accompanying sides

- Crispy garlic and herb chicken with saffron rice (GF, DF)
- Slow cooked beef cheek with red wine and mushroom cream pappardelle
- Cajun honey pork tenderloin with parsley mashed potato (GF, DF)
- Seasonal grilled fish with sautéed Asian greens and citrus glaze (GF, DF)
- Seasonal vegetable and tofu stir fry with rice (V, GF)
- Creamy zucchini rigatoni (V)

DELUXE DINING

Add the gourmet and grand into your special day
for an extra \$15pp

Choose two and their accompaniments:

- Herb stuffed chicken breast with grilled greens and smashed kipfler potatoes
- 12 hour beef brisket with sweet potato mash and red wine jus
- Lemon and herb baked seasonal fish with coconut cream rice and chilli bok choy
- Marinated Lamb cutlets with chimichurri, asparagus and sugar snap peas



DESSERT – SWEET OR SAVOURY?

No need for cake or would like an extra accompaniment?

Choose from the following extras for \$15pp (min. order 30 guests):

- Gourmet cheese platters with lavosh and dips
- Dessert station – house-baked pastries, goodie balls, mini cakes and slices

Cake cut and served on platters (this is included in your package price)



THE GARDENS CLUB

Beverages Package

PREMIUM PACKAGE

Wine

Redbank Emily Brut Cuvée Sparkling, King Valley, VIC

Semillon Sauvignon Blanc, Margaret River, WA

Marananga Shiraz 2021, Barossa Valley, SA

Beer

Little Creatures Rodgers Amber Ale

James Boags Premium Light

Burleigh Big Head Crisp Lager

Burleigh Twisted Palm Tropical Pale Ale

Other

Little Creatures Pipsqueak Apple Cider

Variety of soft drink, juice, water and San Pellegrino sparkling water

Packs available (min. 30 guests):

5 hours - \$90pp | 4 hours - \$80pp | 3 hours - \$70pp

DELUXE PACKAGE

Go Deluxe for an additional \$15pp

In addition to the premium inclusions, you and your guests can wine and dine on:

- Bleasdale Pinot Gris, SA
- James Squires Alcoholic Ginger Beer
- Lloyd Brothers Blanc de Blanc Vintage 2023, Adelaide Hills, SA
- Penley Tolmer Cabernet Sauvignon 2021, Coonawarra, SA
- Tempranillo Rosé, Mount Barker, SA

- Buchi' Kombucha in Ginger Tumeric or Hibiscus Galangal

Bar Tab

If you replace a Beverage Package with a Bar Tab, it is a minimum spend of \$2,000 and your guests can switch to a cash bar at your discretion

This bar tab **does not** include a tea and coffee station and non-alcoholic punch station as standard inclusions.

Optional extras:

Tea & Filtered Coffee Station - \$150

Non-alcoholic punch station - \$150

Additional changes and requests can often be accommodated. Talk to your event specialist to discuss, prices may change to reflect. It is house policy that wine is sold by the glass and spirits are available by guest purchase only unless discussed prior with event coordinator. Sprints are not included in any bar package or tab. Only card facilities are available for purchase at The Gardens Club.





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Cocktails

Add to any beverage or bar tab

\$20 per cocktail (min order of 20 serves)

Aperol Spritz

Aperol, sparkling and soda garnished with a dried orange wheel

Sangria

Red wine, orange juice, lemonade, soda water, apple, orange and cinnamon

Moscow Mule

Vodka, mint, ginger beer

Maple Old Fashioned

Whisky, orange bitters, maple syrup, ice and topped with soda

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THE GARDENS CLUB SPACES

Ceremony Lawn & Terrace

Celebrate in the lush surrounds of the historic Brisbane City Botanic Gardens and make the city or the rainforest your backdrop. Make your way across the paved area to the exclusive terrace, where under fairy lights you and your guests can enjoy nibbles and drinks, post-ceremony.

Max: 150





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THE GARDENS CLUB SPACES

Curator's Cottage & Terrace

Mark your own day in this Queenslander-style building which has been here circa 1909 and has housed curators of the gardens. Now it will house all of your favourite people as you celebrate your love for one another.

High ceilings, cornices, VJ walls, soft lighting and the most expansive bay window view out into the gardens, The Gardens Club is an all-weather accessible and pet-friendly wedding venue with indoor and outdoor options.

Your booking in this space includes the inner veranda and terrace areas so there are three different spaces for your guests to celebrate.

Max: 60 (sit down), 150 (cocktail)

All of The Garden Club spaces are fully accessible, with ramps, doorways and accessible toilet facilities on site.

Photography - Milk Photography





A Social Enterprise Venue

When you choose to partner with us, you are choosing social good

Who is the wise foundation and what is a social enterprise?

The Wise Foundation, the parent company of The Gardens Club, believes that all people and communities should have the opportunity to achieve economic independence through business.

Within The Gardens Club, Wise Foundation operate a program designed to assist those in the community facing barriers to employment. The Wise Hospitality Program provides three months of employment and training to individuals from refugee and asylum seeker backgrounds. Participants are inducted into the workplace and provided with extensive training by hospitality professionals. On exiting the program, participants are supported in resume writing and future employment applications.

The Wise Foundation is a registered Tax Concession Charity for the purpose of assisting marginalised people achieve meaningful participation in the community.

Thank you for choosing to invest in our hospitality program for social good.

"It was my first step to start my working life in Australia. I enjoyed every moment of the work and learned a lot about working in Australia. What distinguishes the work most is the other staff. They were very kind and helpful. I have all my thanks and appreciation for you. Through this experience, I learned more about the Australian people, culture, and how to manage work in Australia"

- Abdul 2023

Location and Parking

The Gardens Club is conveniently located in the City Botanic Gardens and is a short walk from many accommodation options based in Brisbane City. There is a loading zone and carparking located close-by.

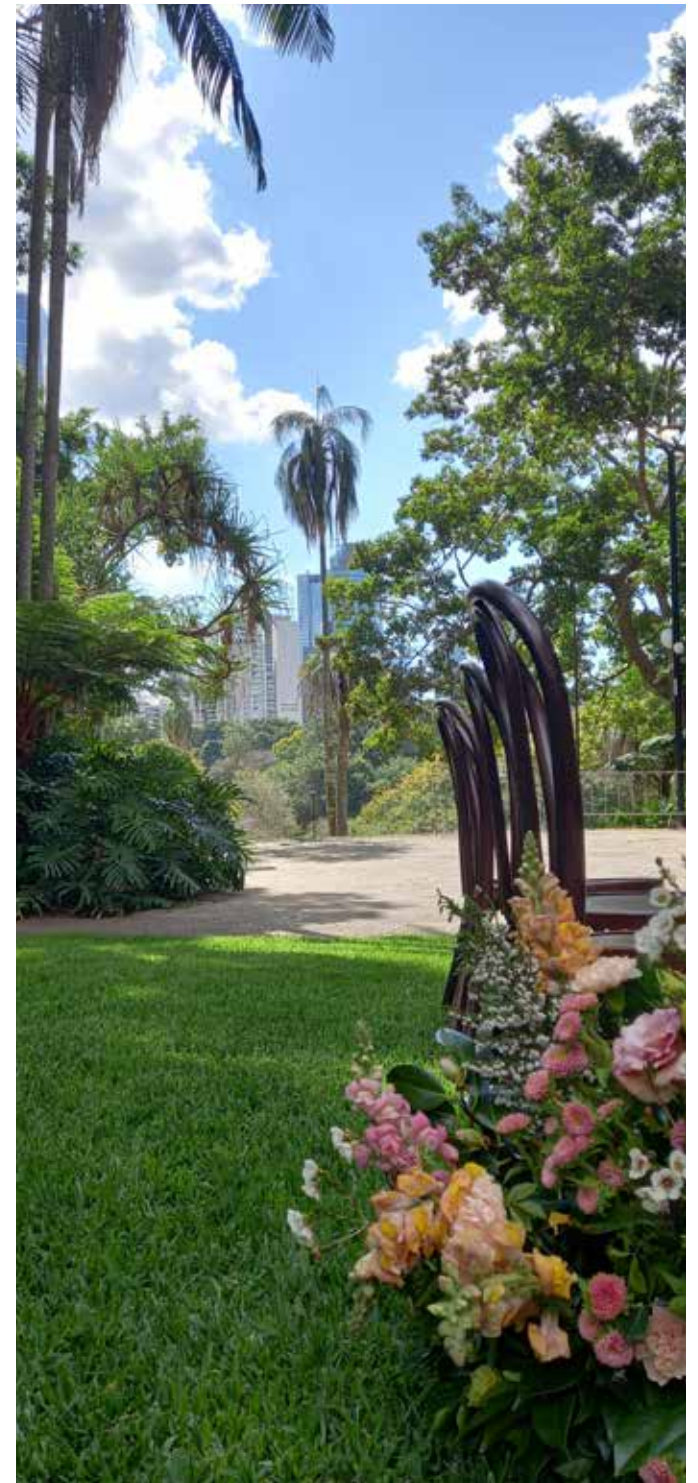
There is no parking available on site, although there are disability parking spots at 75 Gardens Point Road available to access for drop off and pick up.



CLOSEST PARKING

QUT – Riverside Expressway or P Block

First Parking – 53 Albert St



Preferred Partners

Celebrants

KETRINA COFFEY
civil-celebrant-brisbane.com.au

ERIN WOODHALL
erinwoodhallcelebrant.com

CARLY SLADE
carlysladeweddings.com.au

JO-ELLEN MOYNIHAN
joellen.com.au

PAUL VOGUE
paulvogemarriagecelebrant.com

Photographers

SODA PHOTOGRAPHY
Liz James
sodaphotography.com.au

GABRIEL VEIT PHOTOGRAPHY
gabrielveit.com

THE LIGHT PHOTO AND FILM
Lisa
thelightphotoandfilm.com.au

WE ARE TWINE
wearetwine.com.au

QUINCE & MULBERRY
Kate Taylor
quinceandmulberrystudios.com.au

Videographers

SAY MILK
saymilk.com.au

ALL YOUR MEMORIES
Bernice Simpson
allyourmemories.com.au

Florals & Styling

KD FLOWER DESIGN
kdflowerdesign.com.au

BORROWED EVENT HIRE
borrowedeventhire.com

Singers & DJs

MEL LATHORAS
mellathouras.com

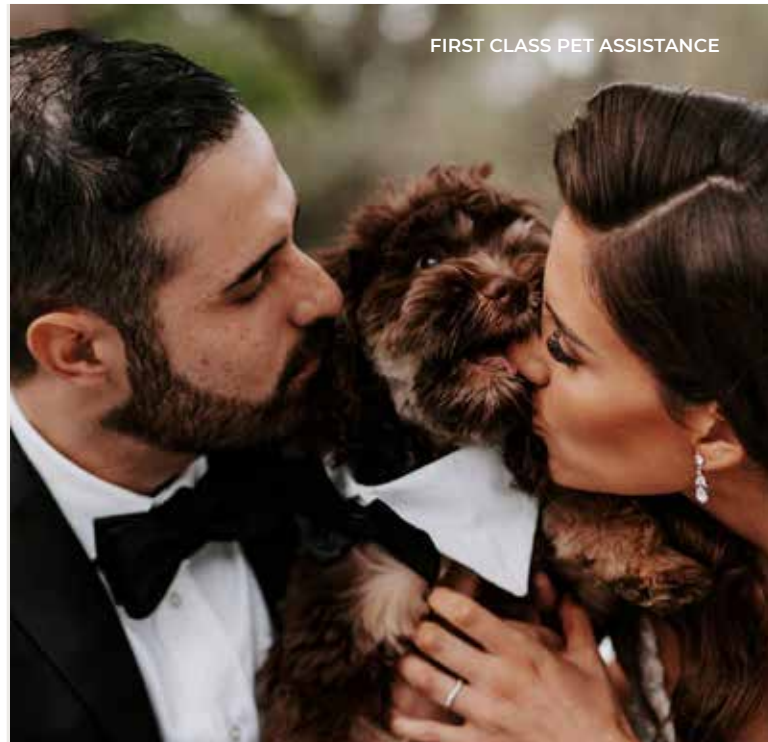
DANIEL J LEWIS MUSIC
facebook.com/danieljlewismusic

ACE PHOTOBOOTH AND DJ HIRE
acephotoboothhire.com.au





ROARING TWENTIES (CAR HIRE)



FIRST CLASS PET ASSISTANCE

Preferred Partner Continued

Cakes

CAKES BY JUDY C
[instagram.com/cakesbyjudyc](https://www.instagram.com/cakesbyjudyc)

VANILLA POD
[vanillapod.com.au](https://www.vanillapod.com.au)

Dresses

GRACE LOVE LACE
[graceloveslace.com.au](https://www.graceloveslace.com.au)

THE BLUSHERY
[theblushery.com.au](https://www.theblushery.com.au)

WHITE LILLY COUTURE
[whitelillycouture.com.au](https://www.whitelillycouture.com.au)

DARB BRIDAL COUTURE
[darbbridalcouture.com.au](https://www.darbbridalcouture.com.au)

RACHEL GILBERT
[rachelgilbert.com](https://www.rachelgilbert.com)

Other

ROARING TWENTIES (CAR HIRE)
[roaringtwenties.net.au](https://www.roaringtwenties.net.au)

FRANKIE AND MAVIS CARAVAN PHOTOBOOTH
[frankieandmavis.com](https://www.frankieandmavis.com)

FIRST CLASS PET ASSISTANCE
[petweddingassistants.au](https://www.petweddingassistants.au)



Next Steps

Come and view the space and discuss your options further, we would love to meet with you.

Call us on **3012 9606** or email natasha.vasserman@wisefoundation.com.au to arrange a time that suits.

Following a viewing of our beautiful grounds, a deposit covering venue hire will secure your dream date and our team will assist in making your day special.

Book a viewing now to make your wedding a Gardens Club wedding.



Terms & Conditions

Who we are

The Gardens Club is an initiative of The Wise Foundation. All profits support Wise Foundation initiatives that create positive change through creative social enterprise models.

Deposits and other payments.

A non-refundable deposit to the value of the agreed venue hire is required to secure your date at The Gardens Club. Full payment for catering must be paid prior to your event date. All payments made will be forfeit in the event of cancellation. All invoices issued by The Garden Club must be paid within 14 days.

Staff

Your venue hire includes event staff, kitchen staff and your Event Coordinator to oversee your event. As a social enterprise, there may also be individuals from marginalised backgrounds in training in addition to our hospitality professionals.

Alcohol

The Gardens Club is committed to The Responsible Service of Alcohol. We have a clear house policy around alcohol service. The House Policy is available to view at any time. Please advise your Event Coordinator if you would like to view the policy. We do not serve liquor in "shots" or in any manner that may encourage rapid consumption. Should our staff deem any guest to be unduly intoxicated or disorderly, they will be refused service and will be asked to leave the premises should they be seen consuming alcohol again throughout the event. The supply of alcohol to a minor, even by a parent or guardian at any stage is not permitted. Any person seen supplying alcohol to a minor will be asked to leave the premise immediately. Spirits are not included in any of our packages or tabs. We do have arrange of spirits available to purchase as a single shot, always served with a mixer.

Health and safety

The Gardens Club is committed to providing and maintaining a safe and healthy space for all workers and visitors (including contractors and volunteers). Hazards and risks to health and safety will be eliminated or minimised, as far as is reasonably practicable.

Should any individual's actions place them or others in undue danger they will be asked to vacate the premises.

Event Timings

In the lead up to your event your Event Coordinator will confirm a timeline including a conclusion time. Charges will apply if timeframes are exceeded. As part of our lease agreement with Brisbane City Council, we are unable to have any guests in the venue after 11:30pm.

Security

If the venue deems that more than 1 security staff is required for your event, an additional charge may be added to your account. You will be notified before this is added and it will be charged at cost price.

Parking

There is no long term onsite parking at The Gardens Club. QUT secure parking is available 150m from the venue. For more information, please visit; <https://www.qut.edu.au/about/campusesand-facilities/parking>

Price Changes

Your venue hire amount is locked in at the time of deposit. All other pricing is subject to change.

Food & Beverage Menu

All food and beverage menu items are subject to change and availability. Whilst we will do our best to accommodate all requests, we cannot guarantee menu selection until final food and beverage payment has been made.

Final numbers and dietary requirements

Final guest numbers and dietary requirements are required 28 days prior to event date. The kitchen staff at Gardens Club are committed to servicing all or your guest's dietary requirements. However, our kitchen serves nuts, wheat, fish, eggs and dairy extensively. We therefore cannot guarantee that any meal is free of allergens.

Footwear

Footwear must be worn at all times in the venue. If you are concerned that some guests may wish to remove their shoes, please ensure replacement footwear is available. Security and staff will request that guests keep their shoes on. Anyone refusing this request will be asked to leave the premises.

Candles/flame

We are not permitted to have any lit flame inside the heritage listed cottage at any time. This includes tea light candles and birthday cake candles. Battery operate candles/lights are permitted.

Before your event

Included in your venue hire is a minimum of 1 hour set up prior to the commencement of your event. Delivery of goods and equipment along with additional set up time is negotiable.

Wherever available The Gardens Club will work to extend this time to suit your requirements at little or no cost to you.

After the event

Half an hour is designated after the completion of your event to 'bump out'. With previous agreement some items may be left to collect the following day. The Gardens Club does not accept liability for items stored overnight.

Furniture

Our onsite furniture is included for your use. Any additional or externally hired furniture must be confirmed with your Event Coordinator.

Venue damage

The hirer is liable for damage caused by the hirer and/or their guest during the event time. This includes damage to the building, furniture and surrounding gardens. The Gardens Club does not allow confetti in any of the hired areas, inside or out. As we are in a heritage listed building, our landlord has set the condition that no lit flame be used at any time inside the venue. This includes candles.

Surcharges

Weddings and events on public holidays will incur an additional \$1500 flat fee surcharge.

Park Bookings

All outdoor wedding ceremonies require The Gardens Club to make a park booking with The Brisbane City Council. The cost of this is included in your venue hire. Within 72 hours of finalising your deposit, your event coordinator will complete a park booking form. Brisbane City Council will confirm this booking with The Gardens Club 6 months prior to your date. More information and the terms and conditions for the use of The City Botanical Gardens, can be found at <https://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/thingsto-see-and-do/council-venues-and-precincts/parks/using-councilparks/park-bookings-and-consents>

Riverstage

We are located in close proximity to Riverstage, an outdoor music venue run by The Brisbane City Council. We are able to execute events simultaneously to Riverstage concerts with minimal impact.

We are in regular contact with The Riverstage, should your event be booked for a corresponding date We will notify you to discuss any possible crossover. The Gardens Club does not offer refunds should The Riverstage book an event after a deposit has been paid. We will however work with all parties to ensure there is minimal disruption to either event.

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