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WHAT'S NEW AND NEXT IN THE WORLD OF WEDDINGS AWAY

pick the date



WEATHER ||| VALUE ||| EVENTS

RIVIERA MAYA ➔ \$8,510

FLOWERS \$480 PHOTOGRAPHY \$1,750
FOOD* \$2,200 DJ \$1,500
CEREMONY** \$1,200 OTHER*** \$1,380

HOW TO SAVE "Be flexible on the day of the week and season in which you get married. Avoid holidays and popular months like May, June and October." — *Carl Howard of Expert Honeymoons*

ST. THOMAS ➔ \$11,710

FLOWERS \$1,050 PHOTOGRAPHY \$2,400
FOOD* \$6,260 DJ \$1,500
CEREMONY** \$300 OTHER*** \$200

HOW TO SAVE "Opt for rental cars. A week rental is much less expensive than taxi transportation, and because the island is small, it rarely takes more than 20 minutes to get anywhere." — *Amber Ambrose of Blue Sky Ceremony*

THE KEYS, FL ➔ \$27,600

FLOWERS \$2,000 PHOTOGRAPHY \$4,000
FOOD* \$7,500 DJ/BAND \$6,500
CEREMONY** \$2,000 OTHER*** \$5,600

HOW TO SAVE "Serve beer and wine vs. a full bar. Buffets are usually cheaper than plated dinners. Catered affairs under a tent are much more expensive than at a 'brick-and-mortar' venue." — *Lynn D'Ascanio of D'Asigner Events*

NAPA, CA ➔ \$27,034

FLOWERS \$2,000 PHOTOGRAPHY \$3,400
FOOD* \$5,550 DJ \$1,800
CEREMONY** \$7,584 OTHER*** \$6,700

HOW TO SAVE "Two items that always take up a considerable amount are site and food, but from there, pick and choose where you want to splurge and where you want to save." — *Heather Holliday of Holliday Weddings*



May and June are the most popular (read: priciest) marrying months. If you're getting hitched in the high season, here's what you'll spend in eight top destinations.

LAS VEGAS ➔ \$13,885

FLOWERS \$700 PHOTOGRAPHY \$2,000
FOOD* \$3,875 DJ \$750
CEREMONY** \$2,560 OTHER*** \$4,000

HOW TO SAVE "Stick with your wedding venue's standard linens, chairs, tables and place settings. The moment you upgrade is the moment your costs increase." — *Christy Paciolla, sales manager of The Venue Las Vegas*

TUSCANY ➔ \$15,924

FLOWERS \$450 PHOTOGRAPHY \$1,974
FOOD* \$5,626 DJ \$450
CEREMONY** \$5,924 OTHER*** \$1,500

HOW TO SAVE "If you have the ceremony in a church, don't waste money decorating it with flowers. Italian churches and chapels are usually centuries old and beautiful as they are." — *Laura Villarosa of Italian Special Occasions*

MAUI ➔ \$23,525

FLOWERS \$1,930 PHOTOGRAPHY \$5,530
FOOD* \$6,500 DJ \$1,740
CEREMONY** \$4,447 OTHER*** \$3,378

HOW TO SAVE "Since Maui weddings tend to be informal, many couples forgo a traditional rehearsal dinner at a restaurant and opt for a catered welcome party." — *Christian Jorgensen of CJs Deli & Diner and Events & Catering*

BERMUDA ➔ \$24,170

FLOWERS \$5,000 PHOTOGRAPHY \$1,950
FOOD* \$9,000 DJ \$1,170
CEREMONY** \$5,550 OTHER*** \$1,500

HOW TO SAVE "Rates for hotels and flights in Bermuda drop considerably after Labor Day, right through the end of March." — *Katie Trimmingham, director of weddings and events for Destination Wedding Bermuda*



Find Your Place in the Sun

TIME YOUR WEDDING JUST RIGHT FOR A BREATHTAKING SUNSET BACKDROP.



MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA ➔ 5:10 p.m. BORA BORA, ISLANDS OF TAHITI ➔ 5:41 p.m. SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO ➔ 6:57 p.m.

LOS CABOS, MEXICO ➔ 8:01 p.m. LAS VEGAS ➔ 7:52 p.m. TURKS AND CAICOS ➔ 7:23 p.m. BIG ISLAND, HI ➔ 6:59 p.m.

KEY WEST ➔ 8:12 p.m. BAR HARBOR, ME ➔ 8:16 p.m. SAVANNAH, GA ➔ 8:26 p.m. NAPA, CA ➔ 8:27 p.m.***

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BOUQUET AND LANTERNS: SHUTTERSTOCK
*INCLUDES ALCOHOL, CAKE, CANAPES AND SIT-DOWN DINNER FOR 40 GUESTS
**RENTALS INCLUDE LINENS, CHAIRS, TABLES AND BALLOONS, ETC.
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