

WEDDING GUIDE



**MOHAKA
RIVER FARM**



Welcome to Mohaka River Farm

With the backdrop of the stunning Te Waka ranges, the pristine Mohaka River, and roaming horses, the Farm is the unique locale for your special day or for a multi-day destination wedding. We offer a range of comfortable accommodation, a recently renovated lodge, spacious outdoor seating areas and a well equipped commercial kitchen. The ever-changing landscape reflects the variety of happenings on the Farm and we offer activities and options that span the seasons. Simplicity, style, and a focus on nature's abundance are central to the feeling evoked by this beautiful spot.



PACKAGES



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THE CURATED EXPERIENCE

Get up to 4 days' exclusive Lodge hire and up to 3 nights' accommodation in our 8 units - sleeps up to 20 guests, depending upon sleeping arrangements - as well as complimentary guest camping for up to 80 guests on the night of the wedding.

As part of this collection, your guests will be welcomed with refreshments at the Lodge upon arrival. The bridal party and groomsmen will be pampered with delicious fare as they get ready for the ceremony, and on the day following the wedding, we will provide a customised brunch send-off for on-site guests.

NZD 14,000 with optional add-ons available (for up to 100 invitees)



THE SHARED ESCAPE

Designed for shorter, more intimate celebrations, this flexible 3-day exclusive lodge hire includes 2 nights' accommodation for up to 20 guests, depending upon sleeping arrangements. Camping available for 80 guests on the wedding night.

NZD 11,000 with optional add-ons available
(for up to 100 invitees)



MID-WEEK CELEBRATION

Includes 2 days' use of the Lodge and 1 night's accommodation for up to 20 guests, depending on sleeping arrangements. Camping not included.

Available on select Tuesdays and Wednesdays, talk to us about this simple yet special option.

NZD 7,000 with optional add-ons available (up to 100 invitees)



PACKAGE FEATURES

Commercial Kitchen

Access to a commercial Kitchen and its equipment, fridges, ovens and crockery

Sound System

PA system used for background music and speeches during the reception.

Venue Stewardship and Pack down Team

A dedicated team and on-the-day coordinator will handle any heavy lifting, setup, and pack-down to keep the place looking beautiful throughout your stay. Wood is included in all packages, and we will gladly supply firewood throughout the duration of your stay.

Coffee and tea service.

A self-serve Coffee and Tea station will be provided by us!

Parking

Convenient on-site parking for Self contained Rvs and Camping sites.

Furniture, Decor and Cutlery

Handcrafted Macrocarpa benches and tables. A handcrafted Arch for the ceremony and a vintage signing table. White wooden cross-back chairs for the reception and/or ceremony. Crisp white table linen, crockery, cutlery and glassware for dinner. Basic table décor and festoon lights. Outdoor, indoor bar, and buffet tables. Wood and fire Pits. Large Oak pedestal to showcase your cake. a pizza oven, and lawn games, including cornhole, croquet, and stilts, for guests to enjoy throughout the celebration.





ADD-ONS

Personalised Signage and styling

Seasonal Flowers and trusted Florists,
Signage.
Hand-painted watercolour guest sign-in.

Catering

Request our catering menus or recommendations for Trusted Vendors!

Photography

Please ask for our list of recommended photographers. Your chosen photographer will have an abundance of stunning photography opportunities throughout the venue, along the river, and across the valley.

“I do” Crew Gatherings

Imagine tailored experiences such as custom Bridal Showers, Floral Workshops, High Teas, Garden Parties, Long Lunches, Fishing Expeditions, Cast-Iron Cookouts, or Watercolour Workshops. Just let us know, and we can transform your gathering or celebration vision into a reality!

Ceremony & Reception Areas

Beautiful Spaces for
Your Special Day

Ceremony Areas



THE RIVERSIDE CEREMONY



THE LODGE

Our outdoor wedding ceremonies provide nature's perfect backdrop. Opt for a timeless set-up by the river, or come visit us to explore other options. (In case of inclement weather, the ceremony can be shifted to the pavilion on the Lodge deck.)

Reception Spaces



THE LODGE



THE PAVILION

The Lodge comfortably accommodates up to 100 guests and features a commercial kitchen, drinks kitchen, pizza oven, restrooms, preparation room, and spacious indoor and outdoor entertaining areas. The flexible layout can be tailored for both large celebrations and smaller weddings with space for dining, dancing and relaxed mingling.



NOT INCLUDED

- An alternative PA sound system and DJ for music at your chosen ceremony area or music for dancing.
- The venues are available until 10 PM for packages and 12:30 PM for the night of the reception.
- Please note that food not included in your package, such as your reception catering, will be charged separately, along with a 15% service charge on the total food bill.
- The food bill must be settled 30 days prior to the event date.
- Our venue is a family-friendly space, and we have chosen not to procure a liquor license. We ask that BYO alcohol for group events be limited to champagne, wine and beer
- . We can supply the drink dispensers, wine and champagne glasses.
- Any special lighting or furniture requests are not included in your venue fee.



SLEEP



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ACCOMMODATION

The Cottage

This beautifully restored two-bedroom cottage makes the perfect place for the bride and her party to prepare for her special day. Please note that we do not accommodate children at the cottage, with the exception of babies six months and younger. Sleeps up to 4 adults.

Riverside Cabins

Our two studio chalets (20m² with spacious verandas) offer a delightful stay for couples, friends, or solo travellers. One features two standard single beds, while the other has a queen bed.

A Frames, Camping and Glamping and RV sites.

4 x A-frame cabins which can comfortably fit 4 people and 1 x glamping tent with camping for up to 80 guests.



EXPERIENCE



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Family & Friends Fellowship Activities

As part of your destination wedding experience, consider including authentic, hands-on hens and stags activities while you're here—creating meaningful time together before the big day. From fishing, rafting, hunting, and knife making to pottery, horse trekking, painting, and homesteading workshops, these unique experiences are fun, wholesome options for hen and stag parties. They encourage camaraderie, connection, and unforgettable shared memories. If you want something bespoke—just ask.



Horse Trekking



Pottery



Knife making



Rafting and fishing



FAQs

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How far in advance should we book?

Ideally 1-12 months in advance.

Q: Are outside vendors allowed?

Yes, with prior approval.

Q: Do you offer wedding planning services?

Yes, we offer full or partial coordination.

Q: Can we customize the menu?

Absolutely! Work with one of our recommended chefs for personalised dining.

Q: Is parking available for guests?

Yes, we have complimentary/self-parking options.

Q: Can you recommend ways to save money on the overall cost?

Absolutely! Enjoy a \$1,000 discount with a winter wedding, or take advantage of even greater savings by hosting your celebration midweek. Instead of a formal sit-down meal, consider offering a charcuterie buffet as a more budget-friendly option. If you're working within a specific budget, please let us know—we'll strive to create a package that meets your needs. Additionally, a great way to share the costs is by asking friends and family to cover their accommodation expenses. While we don't handle this independently, you can certainly arrange it on your end.

Q: Is the wedding venue weather permitted?

Our venue is designed for beautiful weddings in any weather. Enjoy riverside ceremonies in sun, or the pavilion transforms into a sheltered space for wet weather.



SECURE YOUR DATE

Prices are quoted in New Zealand Dollars

A 50% deposit of the wedding package fee is required. Payment can be made by direct deposit.

By paying a deposit, you automatically indicate your acceptance of Mohaka River Farm's policies regarding payment, cancellation, and postponement.

A provisional reservation is only confirmed once proof of payment of the deposit has been received.

Mohaka River Farm reserves the right to cancel a booking if payment is not received as stipulated.

The deposit is non-refundable unless the date can be resold, in which case a 25% cancellation fee will apply, and the balance will be refunded.

BANKING DETAILS

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Account number 03 - 0698 -0213242-000

Reference your last name and date of
wedding



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MOHAKA RIVER FARM VENUE

Our co-ordinators would love to show you around, but kindly make an appointment so we can prepare for your visit.

Tel: Ashleigh - 022 3770490 or email ash@mohakariverfarm.co.nz