



SOUTH HILL

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Dear Bride and Groom

Congratulations on your upcoming big day and thank you for your interest in South Hill hosting your destination wedding.

An hour's drive from Cape Town, Stellenbosch and Hermanus; South Hill nestles the eastern end of the picturesque Elgin Valley. Surrounded by the Kogelberg Biosphere, neighboring orchards and the farms own vineyards make South Hill a very special place.

Classic contemporary buildings with a natural palette of grey, straw, Cape sandstone and timber reflect the earthy shades of the surrounding farm and provide a neutral canvas for you to create your own celebration.

On site luxury accommodation for the wedding party or family ensures you get to enjoy South Hill as your own unique farm stay. Lush gardens with contemporary indigenous plantings, big skies and lawns allow for a multitude of possibilities. With a combined seating capacity for indoor or outdoor functions, you can decide on a small intimate wedding reception or a larger extravagant affair in this stylish, comfortable and relaxed atmosphere.

We look forward to welcoming you and your guests and will do our utmost to ensure a memorable day.

Accommodation

As a destination wedding location, South Hill offers contemporary, comfortable luxury farm accommodation for 2 nights – the night of your celebration and either the night before or night after.

Our serviced, self-catering Guest House consists of 4 king/ twin bed downstairs en-suite rooms, an airy upstairs loft en-suite and the perfect for getting aisle ready, downstairs Cellar Garden Suite. A spacious lounge with an open plan kitchen and dining area allows for relaxed, informal gatherings. In total, the Guest House has 6 bedrooms and can comfortably sleep 12 adults. 4 children's beds are available at an additional cost.

Our Pumphouse Honeymoon Cottage is situated on one of the farms numerous dams with panoramic views of the rugged Kogelberg Mountains surrounding the area. With its secluded courtyard, Jacuzzi and vineyard views - enjoy a private and unforgettably romantic wedding stay – conveniently placed a short distance away. The Pumphouse Honeymoon Cottage caters for 2 adults.

Additional night rates for the Guest House, Pumphouse Honeymoon Cottage or our House Boat, *Stokies Ark* are available on request.

Ceremony and pre reception drinks

Our outdoor ceremony area overlooks Valley views, vineyards and fruit orchards. A large tree and demarcated boule court defines the ceremonial area. For something completely different, consider using the central point of our vineyard maze to hold your ceremony. As an indoor option, our wine cellar is available.

Our package excludes the services of an officiant so you're free to decide on using someone who'll best suit your personal beliefs. The lawns around the pool – or outside the restaurant area – allow for relaxed pre and/ or post ceremony drinks & canapés and space for your designated photographer to record the occasion.

Reception

Enjoy exclusive use of the venue area - situated within our Restaurant & Art Gallery space - and the surrounding gardens on the day of your wedding from 08:00 until our usual closing time of midnight. An additional fee will be charged for the venue to remain open after midnight. Our liquor license runs until 02h00 at which time the bar and venue will be closed.

The venue space can comfortably accommodate from 20 up to 70 guests seated inside with a bar and dance area; or up to 150 guests seated outside on the lawn under a free-form Bedouin or marquee tent with an indoor dance area.

For celebrations less than 20 guests, please request our Elopement Information Pack.

Décor

South Hill provides a beautiful backdrop for you to create the day of your dreams. The venue space which doubles up as our Restaurant and Art Gallery has a permanent display of artworks creating a truly unique visual experience. We definitely recommend you use one of our trusted décor service providers to turn your décor ideas into a reality. They will guide you best for ideas including, but not limited to, signage; lawn games; lighting; overhead floral platforms; guest books; etc.

Décor areas to think about are the arrival/ pre drinks area; ceremony; reception tables including linen; dessert station; bridal flowers, boutonnieres and confetti.

Where possible and if available as quantities are limited, for you to make use of our outdoor benches & tables as reception table options, bar stools & tall tables, leather sofas for a chill area and wine barrels to add to the occasion. If you do come through for a viewing, we'll happily show you what is available. Please note that ceremony/ reception chairs need to be hired in.

Crockery, cutlery and glassware for up to 150 guests is included. A full list available on request.

Food and staffing

Take full advantage of having the 2 night stay experience by including a night before pizza/ braai evening, on the day lunch platters for the bridal party, and morning after breakfast or brunch.

Request to see our pre designed wedding menus for an exceptional dining experience. We're happy to do plated meals or look at including a harvest feast for either pre drinks or starters; serve family style feast to table; use your Mum's favourite dessert recipe as a plated option or design a dessert station to include your wedding cake, canape size desserts or just an exquisite savoury option cheese tower. Midnight snacks also available on request.

Menu's including canapés, starter, main course and dessert range from approximately R375 – R550+ per head.

Menu prices are subject to your menu choices and are inclusive of VAT. Wait staff are included in the menu price. A 10% gratuity fee will be charged on all meals.

Approximately 3 months before your big day, a tasting lunch (excluding canapés) for you both is included for us to assist you in your final selection.

Wine and Bar

Our range of both South Hill and Kevin King wines are available for you at cellar prices. Wines include our Sauvignon Blanc, Dry Rosé, Chardonnay, Pinot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah, Malbec, Mourvèdre and a blended red of Syrah/ Mourvèdre & Barbera.

A stylish indoor / outdoor, fully licensed and serviced bar is available on either a cash or "Grooms Tab" basis. Credit card facilities are available.

Bar glassware, wine coolers and unlimited ice for duration of the wedding are included.

A 10% gratuity fee will be charged on the Grooms final bar & beverage bill.

Our normal closing time is midnight. An additional fee of R1500.00 per hour or part thereof, will be charged for the venue to remain open after midnight. Our liquor license runs until 02h00 at which time the bar and venue will be closed.

Staffing

Included in the package is personal contact with our wedding coordinator who will liaise with all parties concerned up to and including the day of the wedding; deliveries; managing the minute-by-minute deadlines of the actual day and post wedding collections.

Experienced bar and wait staff are included in all quotes.

Assistance with links to trusted service providers is provided on receipt of your deposit.

Music

As South Hill is situated in a tranquil area, we need to monitor noise levels in respect to our neighbours. Background music is allowed in the garden area until 21h00 provided sound levels are acceptable.

All dancing and live music is to be inside the venue and is allowed until 02h00 only. An additional fee of R1 500.00 per hour or part thereof, will be charged for the venue to remain open after midnight.

	01/10/21- 30/04/22	01/05/22- 30/09/22	01/10/22 – 30/04/23	01/05/2023 – 30/09/2023
Six Bedroom Guest House (2 night stay)	21588	17448	23 340	18 840
Pumphouse Honeymoon Cottage (2 night stay)	4560	3868	4930	4 180
Venue Fee (includes Booking Administration Fee)	28950	20000	31300	21 600
Coordination Fee (unless otherwise nominated)	6000	6000	6000	6000
Total Price including VAT	61098	47316	65570	50 260

Rates exclude all meals, beverages & gratuities

Prices subject to change

FAQ for weddings at South Hill

Q: What is included in the wedding fee?

A: Accommodation for up to 14 adults in the Guest House & Pumphouse (4 additional children's beds in the Guest House are available at additional cost); venue hire (including R2500.00 Booking Administration Fee); coordination; crockery, cutlery, glassware & barware set for up to 150 guests.

Q: How many guests can the South Hill venue accommodate?

A: South Hill can accommodate 70 guests indoors with a dance area and up to 150 guests outdoors under an attached to the building Bedouin or marquee tent. The tent is an extra hire charge from an outside service provider.

Q: Do we have to take all the accommodation for the two nights?

A: Yes, the Guest House and Pumphouse become your private domain for the duration of your stay.

Q: What other accommodation is available in the area?

A: Our unique House Boat situated on the property's bottom dam is your best optional addition - please enquire for rates and availability – sleeps 6 adults or 4 adults & 4 children.

There is ample accommodation in Elgin as long as it is secured early. A list is provided on our recommended supplier list.

Q: Can we have our ceremony at South Hill?

A: Yes, there are a few options. The first is weather dependent as it is outside under the ceremonial tree on our boule court. As is using the lawns alongside the pool or centre of our vineyard maze.

Indoor options include inside the venue, our wine cellar or alternatively under a Bedouin or marquee tent on the lawn. We do also have a list of the numerous churches available in the area.

Q: Do we have to make use of your in-house restaurant?

A: Yes – our in-house restaurant kitchen has a wealth of experience at catering stylish, exceptional meals. Either have a look at our pre designed set menus – available on request - or design your own.

Q: Can we bring in our own wedding cake or dessert?

A: Yes - a plating charge of R5.00 per person will be added to your bill. Please advise us prior to your wedding of storage and plating requirements.

Q: Can we arrange additional meals?

A: Yes – our kitchen would be very happy to cater for your entire stay. Rehearsal dinners, pre-wedding pizza or braai evenings, midnight snacks as well as morning of/ after breakfast or brunch. All additional catering must be arranged prior to your stay and will be charged accordingly.

Q: How does the bar work?

A: South Hill provides a fully licensed and serviced bar and can meet all your liquor requirements subject to us agreeing on any special products required over and above our standard bar list. The bar is available on either a cash or “Grooms Tab” basis. Credit card facilities are available. Payment for the Grooms Tab and our breakages deposit of R2000.00 is included in our Service Level Agreement document.

Q: Can we supply our own wine?

A: Unfortunately not as we are a fully licensed establishment. The only exception is on Cap Classique and champagnes where a R75.00 corkage fee will be charged unless we are able to order in on your behalf.

Q: Can we remove the art works in the venue?

A: Yes – however this has proved to be a great wedding gift opportunity for your guests.

Q: Can we do our own wedding flowers/decor?

A: We would prefer you to work with one of our trusted recommended service providers who have an understanding of the venue and the amount of work & detail involved in both set up and break down.

Q: What are the extra expenses we have to cover?

A: Additional or specialized cutlery & crockery; additional lighting, sound & DJ; Bedouin or marquee tent if over 70 guests; ceremony pews or chairs, setup and sound; reception tables and chairs; decor and flower arrangements; table linen and napkins, photographer & videographer; hair and makeup; wedding stationery and breakages deposit of R2000.00 (as outlined in our Service Level Agreement).

Q: Do we have to use a wedding coordinator?

A: Yes – our in-house coordinator is available. The fee for this service will be invoiced to you on confirmation of your wedding. Services include liaison with all parties concerned up to and including the day of the wedding; deliveries; managing the minute-by-minute deadlines of your actual day and post wedding collections.

Should you prefer, you are able to nominate your own wedding coordinator.

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Q: Do you have babysitting facilities and are you able to cater for children at the wedding reception?

A: Babysitters can be arranged at an additional cost. We are very happy to cater for children.

Q: Are there any transport services in the area to and from South Hill?

A: Yes – our recommended list of service providers includes transport & shuttle services.

Q: Can you recommend things for guests to do in the area?

A: Activities include some of the best mountain biking in the country, wine tastings, zip lining, quad biking, nature walks and hikes, horse riding, open air concerts, art browsing, fishing, or just sitting and doing nothing. South Hill is the ideal place to relax, listen to the rural sounds of nature and take in your natural surroundings – naturally with a glass of wine in hand!

Q: How do we confirm our wedding date?

A: The Booking Administration Fee (R2500.00 and included in the above rates) and deposit (approximately 50% of the Total Package appropriate to your chosen date & as outlined in our Service Level Agreement); and a signed copy of our Service Level Agreement (which includes our postponement and cancellation policy) is required to secure your date.

On receipt of both, our list of recommended service suppliers and menu options will be forwarded to you.

Please request our Service Level Agreement together with your planned wedding date for us to get the necessary paperwork through to you.

Gallery links to past weddings at South Hill

<http://gavincasey.co.za/gallery/gina-chris/>

<http://clairenicola.com/grant-macieks-wedding/>

<http://sarahisaacsphotography.com/2016/08/20/ingrid-tudor/>

<http://tashaseccombe.com/jean-richard/>

<http://clairenicola.com/harry-dees-wedding/>

<http://clairenicola.com/dan-sariskas-wedding/>

<http://trudyjoubert.co.za/vanessa-thomas-south-hill/>

<http://clairenicola.com/brent-anitas-wedding/>

<http://peartree.co.za/blog/2018/03/south-hill-vineyards-wedding/>

<http://kristiagier.com/beth-ross/>

<https://www.adelekloppers.co.za/leithandhanneke-1/>

<https://kikitography.smartslices.com/oliver-tamara/>

<https://elriduplessis.pixieset.com/gerwiandzineweddingsouthhillvineyards/>

We trust that the above gives you enough information to plan your special day. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any further information.

Please contact us to schedule a site inspection at South Hill followed by a wine tasting of our wines. Please feel free to reserve a lunch table at our restaurant.

South Hill will take every care in ensuring your wedding is an unforgettable experience. We look forward to hearing from you.

Kevin and Sandra King