



# Elopements

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# a Magical place

## Location

In the stunning Karangahake Gorge (in between Waihi & Paeroa), just off SH2. We are only 1.5 hours from Auckland and 1 hour from Tauranga & Hamilton



## A Unique & Rustic property

Falls Retreat is the perfect location for your wedding day and we have extensive grounds providing numerous photo opportunities, namely the ceremony pergola overlooking the stunning Owharoa Falls.

Following your ceremony, we will have prepared and delivered to your room a mouth-watering hamper using home-grown and local seasonal produce which will leave a lasting impression. We also have an extensive bar list which includes award winning wines, craft beers and home made sodas, all available to be served alongside your hamper. The following morning, we serve a cooked breakfast to the cabin to be enjoyed on the deck or overlooking the falls.

Our Waterfall Cabin provides the elopement couple with a delightful place to stay and if you plan on having guests, they can stay at our Rose Cottage or Log Cabin. These charming cottages can also be reserved for extra nights at the time of your booking.

We invite you to experience our beautiful property, The Falls Retreat for yourselves - come try the food or take a look around. We look forward to welcoming you here.



# ELOPEMENT PACKAGE

Our elopement package is perfect for those who want to tie the knot with a small, intimate celebration. This package is designed for just the bride and groom, so if you are hoping to invite a few guests have a look at our Elopement Plus Add On below.

## RATES

- \$1950 Sunday - Thursday
- \$2500 for Friday & Saturday

*For 2 people - price includes:*

- Marriage Celebrant
- Witnesses
- Ceremony overlooking Owharoa Falls
- 1 nights accommodation in our Waterfall Cabin (please note the bed is accessible via a ladder)
  - \*Upgrade to Rose Cottage or Log Cabin available, POA
- Bottle of Italian Prosecco on arrival
- Gourmet hamper meal for 2 adults
- Delicious cooked breakfast for the bridal couple delivered to the cabin, room service style, the following morning
- Small bouquet of garden picked flowers for the bride's posy

*Note that a surcharge may apply on public holidays. Rates are valid for weddings until April 2024.*

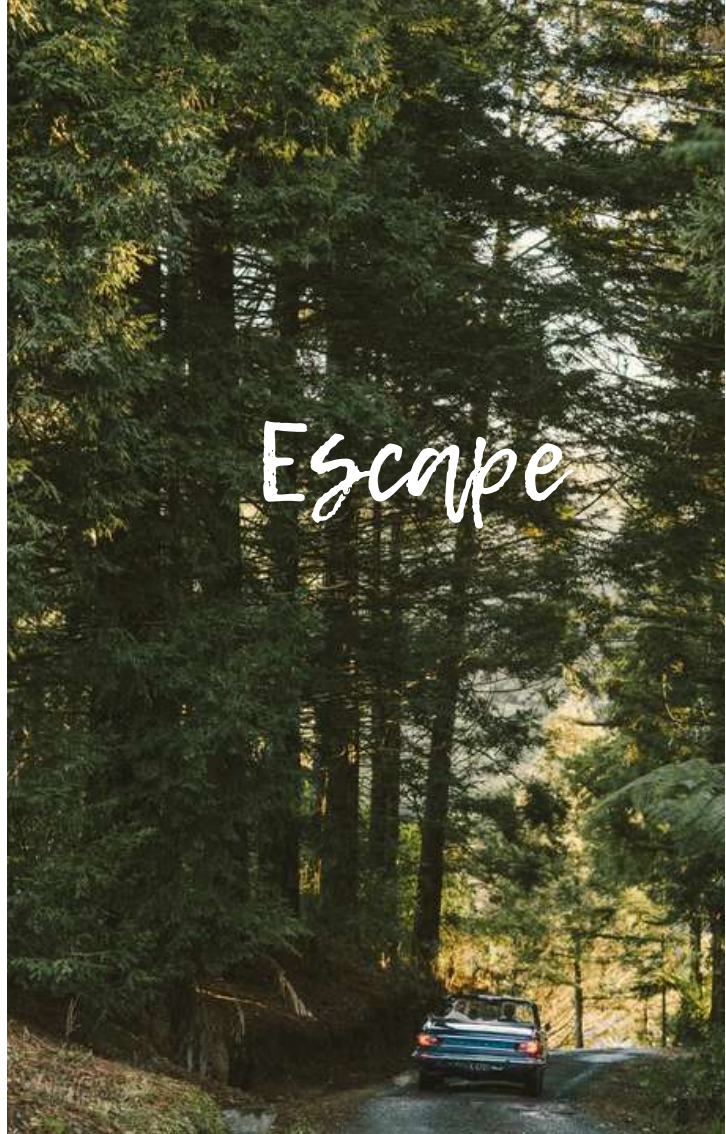
## TIMING

Morning Ceremony: 10am

OR Afternoon Ceremony: 4.30pm

*Suggested timeline:*

- 2pm Check-in. Enjoy your bottle of Prosecco while getting ready
- 4.30pm Ceremony at our pergola overlooking Owharoa Falls (or 10am following morning)
- 5.30pm Enjoy your hamper on the deck of Waterfall cabin or picnic style amongst our extensive grounds
- 9am Enjoy a relaxed cooked breakfast in the Waterfall Cabin
- 10.00am Check out





Make it  
special

## STAY AN EXTRA NIGHT

We have three charming cottages nestled in the grounds of our property and a one night stay in Waterfall Cabin is included in your package. Take the time to be with each other and make a weekend of it by staying an extra night for only \$225.

You can also book our Rose Cottage or Log Cabin if the ladder in Waterfall Cabin isn't ideal or you simply like the idea of a larger space or longer stay. POA

## CEREMONY STYLING

Our wedding pergoda has the most amazing waterfall views and we can enhance this special spot by decorating it for you.

**COST = \$200**

Inclusions:

- Large dried flowers/foliage arbor
- 2 matching arrangements

## CELEBRATION CAKE

We can arrange a Celebration Cake for your special day. A 1 tier chocolate or vanilla cake decorated with garden flowers and presented on a cake stand, cutting knife provided

**COST = \$80**



## ELOPEMENT PLUS ADD ON

COST = \$700 Invite up to 8 guests

Our Elopement Plus add on is perfect if you want friends, family or your kids to attend your special day - up to 8 guests. Designed for couples wanting to escape and avoid the stress of a full wedding this option allows flexibility to hold an intimate get together at the Log Cabin and create memories with your loved ones.

Including Rose Cottage and Log Cabin for one night this package offers privacy and exclusive use of all three accommodations.

## CELEBRATE WITH US

COST = \$45 per guest

At Falls Retreat we are reknown for our food, and there is no reason for an eloping couple and their guests to miss out on a meal. We offer a self-serve grazing style meal at the Log Cabin, ideal for an intimate celebration after the ceremony. You can expect local cheeses and meats, homemade bread, pickles, chutneys, salad from the garden and a selection of sweet treats.

Don't forget we offer a delicious celebration cake. A 2 tier chocolate or vanilla cake decorated with garden flowers and presented on a cake stand, cutting knife provided.

COST =\$200

## THE MORNING AFTER

COST = \$30 per guest

Wake up to the sound of the birds outside and share a cooked breakfast with your guests the following morning, delivered at the Log Cabin for you, room service style.





# The Nitty Gritty

## Confirmation of booking

A deposit of \$1000 is required as an initial security deposit to confirm your booking, along with a signed copy of the terms and conditions. Where the deposit and this signed agreement are not received within 7 days of a tentative booking being placed, Falls Retreat reserves the right to release the booking. Until the deposit and signed agreement are received the booking remains tentative.

## Confirmation of final numbers

Final numbers must be confirmed in writing 14 days prior to the wedding. Any special dietary requirements must be confirmed at this stage as well. If final numbers are not provided the highest estimated number of guests will be confirmed. Clients will be required to prepay according to final confirmed numbers. If numbers increase, the client must pay the extra cost. If numbers decrease, the client must pay for the confirmed numbers.

## Payments

After initial deposit is made, remainder of package is to be paid 3 months prior to the Elopement and additional extras and final numbers are to be confirmed and paid 14 days prior. For bar tabs and beverages a credit card may be provided to be charged at the end of the event with a 2.5% credit card fee, or it can be invoiced to be paid within 7 days.

## Ceremonies

Ceremony timing is to be fixed at time of booking and can only be amended at Management discretion.

## Cancellation Policy

All cancellations must be made in writing to the Weddings & Functions Coordinator. The following cancellation fees apply to all bookings:

More than 90 days prior to the reception date, the initial deposit will be applied as a cancellation fee. Within 90 days of the reception the client, at the written request of The Falls Retreat, will be required to pay up to 100% of charges including food and additional extras. Transference of any date is up to the discretion of management

## \*\*\*COVID POLICY

If your elopement is not able to go ahead due to COVID restrictions, we will look to reschedule at a mutually convenient date. Alternatively, an alternative package can be organized to the equivalent value as refunds will not be given.

## Insurance

The Falls Retreat will endeavour to take every possible care but accepts no responsibility for damage to, or loss of, merchandise or personal belongings left in the venue prior to, during or after the reception. Clients are financially liable for any damage sustained, or loss incurred to the venue, fixtures or fittings, through their own actions, those of their guests, sub-contractors and contractors.





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