

Getting married overseas is becoming increasingly popular, offering the chance to say 'I do' in some of the most romantic destinations on earth. Combined with a magic honeymoon experience, all Centara weddings are the epitome of carefree wedding, commitment ceremony and renewal of vows.

Whether you imagine an intimate ceremony with your closest friends and family on an idyllic private bay or a unique cultural wedding celebration, you will find the perfect setting to express your love. Tie the knot on a majestic sandy beach or amidst grandiose tropical environment surrounded by a crowd of well-wishers...you will cherish this day for the rest of your life.

Centara exquisite weddings and renewal of vows are perfectly handled by our expert coordinators, committed to make the vibrant ceremony you have always dreamed of come true. Your big day being in excellent hands, all you have to do is to enjoy your amazing stay with us from the moment you arrive in your picture-perfect wedding destination.

Naturally, the attentions of your personal wedding planner will help you tailor your ceremony at one of our hotels and resorts to the finest details. And we are sure the following programmes and suggestions will arouse your imagination.





#### **THEMED CEREMONIES**

Be it a majestic or distinctive Thai traditional ceremony blessed with gracious rituals, a classic white wedding or an aesthetic and enchanting Lanna experience, any one of our ceremonies will make the special day your clients have always dreamed of come true.

In our tropical venues and romantic hideaways, our wedding coordinators will handle all the planning and offer a specific wedding package. If one wishes to enhance your occasion, the attentions of our personal wedding coordinators will help tailor their ceremony to satisfy all their nuptial needs.

#### Western wedding:

Imagine saying your wedding vows on a beach of your own. Whether you choose to start your new life together by leaving your footprints on one of our sandy beaches or to host an elegant ceremony amid lush gardens, our wedding coordinators will bring your dream wedding to life, down to the finest details.

#### Thai wedding:

Celebrate your love in a traditional Thai wedding ceremony with the sounds of a long-drum parade, the scent of fragrant garlands and fresh orchids, and graceful rituals throughout your big day, with your union blessed by Buddhist monks and well-wishers. Whether on a tranquil beach or amidst tropical gardens your chosen venue will be adorned with vibrant colours.

#### Suggested sequence of the ceremony:

The ceremony begins as the Buddhist monks arrive at the wedding venue. Candles and incense sticks are lit, you are offered fragrant neck garlands, and the monks commence the blessing ceremony in a peaceful and serene atmosphere. As a symbol of your togetherness the holy thread is placed over your heads and your foreheads are marked with powder as a gesture of well-wishing for your future. After offering the Sung Katarn and alms to the Buddhist monks, all attendants are blessed with a trickle of holy water, and holy water is poured on your hands. The evocative sounds of the traditional long-drum parade are heard in celebration.





## **Tropical Beginnings,**

## Renewal of vows and intimate wedding celebrations:

A selection of our resorts in sun-drenched destinations across Thailand offer renewal of vows ceremonies to those who have already tied the knot and intimate wedding celebrations. These are designed as minimalist, intimate ceremonies and offer a backdrop of fine-sand beach and sparkling sea.

Create new memories, whether you choose to celebrate your love as only the two of you or with a few invitees.

## Suggested sequence of the ceremony:

The wedding ceremony will officially begin as the celebrant arrives to the selected wedding venue. Had the couple chosen to invite their friends and family all well-wishers will greet the couple before the bride and groom exchange their vows or wedding rings. The celebrant will then declare the couple as husband and wife or offer the couple their certificate vow renewal certificate prior to toast this memorable day with a bottle of sparkling wine.

The couple has the option to enjoy a romantic candlelit dinner either as before the wedding celebration or as newlyweds.





## Legal requirements for weddings in Thailand

The information below provides some guidance to marry in Thailand, including the documents required both in your home country and in Thailand. Our wedding ceremonies are celebratory ceremonies (blessings) and therefore legalising your matrimonial union is subject to a number of procedures. In most countries the marriage will only be recognised under the law of said countries if it is valid under Thai law.

- The originals and the copies of all required documents will be requested by local authorities
- Details on applicants' occupation and annual income might be required
- The Thai authorities require that any foreign national wishing to marry in Thailand must obtain an "Affirmation of Freedom to Marry". This document confirms your marital status.
  - o This document must be submitted to your embassy in Thailand
  - The "Affirmation of Freedom to Marry" can be obtained from a Notary Public whom you can find through a solicitor's office. You may have to provide evidence that there is no known impediment to your proposed marriage. Prior to apply for this document, you are advised to address to your local Registrar Office to list down the identification documents your circumstances require (i.e. original of decree absolute if divorced, death certificate if widowed, adoption certificate if adopted). The "Certificate of No Impediment" is usually issued within a month and its validity may vary
- Collect the statutory declaration that has been endorsed by your Embassy's Consular and ensure this document, in addition to other documents that may be required, is translated into Thai
- Translations must be certified by Thai authorities (Legalisation Division, Department of Consular Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 123 Moo 3, Chaeng Wattana Road, Laksi district, Bangkok) Submit all documents and certified translations to the Registrar Office at any Amphur office (District Office or City Hall) in Thailand. The registrar will register your marriage and issue duplicate of the Thai marriage certificates. Some Amphur require the presence of a translator
- It is greatly recommended to have your marriage certificate translated by an authorised translation bureau while in Thailand
- Once you are back to your country of residence, you may have to deposit an original and a translated copy of your marriage certificate at your General Register Office in order to register your wedding





# Orchid wedding, Western wedding ceremony

# THB 62,500 inclusive of tax and service charge Valid from now until 30<sup>th</sup> April 2019

## Wedding package includes:

## The day before:

- Briefing with your personal wedding coordinator
- His and hers one-hour relaxing massage

# Wedding day:

- Wedding ceremony presided by residing priest or celebrant
- Honeymoon set-up with floral ornaments and Thai traditional decoration for in-house guests
- Elegant floral decoration of the wedding venue. Bespoke creation available to match your concept
- Bridal bouquet and buttonhole for the groom
- Wedding cake
- One bottle of sparkling wine for toasting
- Private bridal room available before the beginning of the ceremony
- Musical entertainment during the ceremony
- Canapés and cocktails served in the couple's villa
- Wedding gift

## The day after:

- In-villa breakfast
- Romantic candlelit dinner for the bride and groom





# Lotus wedding, Thai wedding ceremony

# THB 62,500 inclusive of tax and service charge Valid from now until 30<sup>th</sup> April 2019

# Wedding package includes:

### The day before:

- Briefing with your personal wedding coordinator
- His and hers one-hour relaxing massage

## Wedding day:

- Honeymoon set-up with floral ornaments and Thai traditional decoration for in-house guests
- Buddhist ceremony
- Striking Thai traditional long drum parade
- Elegant floral decoration of the wedding venue. Bespoke creation available to match your concept
- Fragrant Thai neck garlands for the bride and groom
- Wedding cake
- One bottle of sparkling wine for toasting
- Bridal room available before the beginning of the ceremony
- Donation and offerings to the monks and temple attendants including Sung Katarn
- Canapés and cocktails served in the couple's villa
- Wedding gift

## The day after:

- In-villa breakfast
- Romantic candlelit dinner for the bride and groom





# **Tropical Beginnings**

# THB 25,000 inclusive of tax and service charge

Valid from now until 30<sup>th</sup> April 2019 (excluding Peak Season)

# **Tropical Beginnings package includes:**

- Briefing with your personal wedding coordinator
- Secular wedding ceremony (non-religious)
- A choice of wedding venues
- Floral decoration of the wedding venue. Bespoke creation available to match your concept
- Bridal bouquet and corsage for the groom
- One bottle of sparkling wine for toasting
- Romantic candlelit dinner for the bride and groom including a bottle of wine





## The perfect venue:

- **Beachside:** a picturesque private stretch of white sand on the edge of our turquoise lagoon. The beach area also features a grove of Koh Samui's signature coconut trees as the perfect backdrop. With the natural rock formations and soft clean sand, the resort beach front brings the magic that every wedding celebration deserves
- **Garden:** shaded by coconut trees amidst lush tropical vegetation, our landscaped garden is designed to add a unique tropical ambiance to your special day
- Papillon Terrace: from an elevation of five hundred metres overlooking the resort gardens, Natien Beach and out into the Gulf of Thailand, the Papillon Terrace provides idyllic vista as the backdrop for your celebration

## Because small touches make a big difference:

(Optional items and services inclusive of tax and service; subject to change locally without notice)

• Capture the magic: additional photography - 50 shots THB 9,500 with 1 CD and a photo album

Wedding memories: one 120-minute DVD (PAL/NTSC)
Make-up and hairdressing
THB 15,000
THB 4,900 per person
THB 8,500

Elegant Thai Traditional dance show during dinner

# Food and beverage options:

(Inclusive of tax and service)

• 1-hour open bar cocktail reception (house brands only)

• Hors d' oeuvre selection

Wedding dinner

THB 650 per person

THB 350 per person THB 850 – 1,150 per person

