

EMPIRE

Weddings

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Thank you for your enquiry regarding Weddings with us here at Empire Spa Retreat.

We are thrilled you have considered Empire Retreat to host this wonderful occasion. From the moment your wedding plans begin our creative team will endeavor to see your dreams turn to reality. Whatever the style, an abundance of choice is on offer to you at Empire Spa Retreat with options only limited by the imagination.

A heavenly garden ceremony, the bride entering through the ancient monastery doors; cocktail reception on the grass with a back drop of the sun setting beyond the vines; photo's by the lake with geese dancing on the water; or perhaps an elegant dining experience within the farm house, the ghost gums light up in the night.

Built around a 35 year old character farmhouse, and set amongst the breathtaking scenery of the South West of Western Australia, Empire Retreat is the perfect location to hold your wedding. Situated in Yallingup, the aboriginal word meaning "place of love", the retreat is nestled within 265 acres of tranquil, undulating pastures, undisturbed bushland and the Empire Estate Vineyard. Each suite enjoys a panoramic view over a gentle valley in Western Australia's premium wine district, the Margaret River Wine Region.

Our magnificently appointed suites are ideal for both the bridal couple and their special guests. Warm colours of local timbers, tumbled marble mosaics and sensuous bed linen grace the interiors. Natural bush around the suites provides both a peaceful and picturesque hideaway.

There is a distinct eastern flavour throughout the Retreat, from the simplistic chic, large teak beds, and courtyard water gardens through to the ancient monastery doors at the entrance. A beautiful day bed is nestled amongst the bush for those wishing to read or sip a glass of Empire Estate wine.

Allow Empire Spa to prepare your mind, body and soul for this momentous occasion. Spend the day before relaxing within our graceful atmosphere indulging in our many calming and soothing treatments. Meander across and allow our trained therapists transform the bride and bridesmaids on the big day. Empire Retreat offers a complete sanctuary for your magnificent wedding ceremony, reception and romantic honeymoon.



REQUIREMENTS

It is required that all 10 suites are reserved for a minimum of two (2) nights or three (3) to four (4) nights during peak season.

LOFT SUITE

Located upstairs in the original farmhouse. Each has a Queen size bed, sofa, dining setting and ensuite bathroom. Both Loft Suites overlook beautiful landscaped gardens.

COURTYARD SUITE

Located on the lower level of the main house. This secluded room features a private courtyard entrance and is appointed with King size bed, elegant side tables and dining setting. A spa overlooks a private walled garden.

DELUXE SUITE

Connected to the main house via a timber boardwalk. Each suite has a private balcony with outdoor shower overlooking native bushland. The deluxe suites are appointed with a King size bed, spa, dining setting and lounge chair.

LUXURY VILLA

Each villa offers complete sanctuary and privacy and is accessible from the main house via timber boardwalks. Each is open plan in style, with a step down lounge area that is appointed with an open fire place, corner lounge setting, dining suite and small kitchen.

The lounge area features bi-fold doors that open to a timber decked balcony offering a panoramic vista of the estate. A deluxe spa bath overlooks a private garden courtyard that features an outdoor shower.

[A gourmet fully cooked breakfast is included with all bookings.](#)

Each suite is appointed with: TV, DVD player, Reverse cycle air conditioning, Telephone, Bar fridge, Tea and Coffee making facility, Hairdryer and Bathrobes.

Peak season rates apply during public holidays, Christmas and Easter periods. Rates are applicable from Jan 2011.



YOUR BIG DAY

Small boutique style weddings are offered at empire with the maximum number of guests is 60 (including children). For a sit down dinner reception the maximum number of guests is 30. A venue fee of \$5000.00 is required for the hire of the farmhouse, kitchen facilities, gardens and vineyard is also required.

The retreat and vineyard will be closed to the public for the weekend though the spa centre will continue with their business as usual unless reserved for the day. A wedding coordinator is provided (cost is included in the venue fee) for the smooth running of your wedding. Our experienced coordinator will be happy to help with any plans for your special day.

Empire Estate is happy to offer their award winning wines at wholesale price, though other wine and alcohol drinks are allowed on the premises with no corkage fee or additional fees.

Payment for your wedding, 50% deposit for both the accommodation and the \$5000.00 venue fee is required within two weeks of the reservation being made, with the remaining balance to be paid two months prior to the wedding date. Payment to be made in two transactions.

CANCELLATION POLICY

We understand that circumstances may arise where you may need to cancel your wedding reservation. Should this occur, please note that as a small establishment, cancellation fees will be incurred.

If you able to inform us of your cancellation with more than ninety (90) days notice, then your deposit and venue fee will be refunded less a \$500.00 accounting fee. If less than ninety (90) days notice is given a cancellation fee of 20% of both the total reserved accommodation and venue fee will be charged.

If less than sixty (60) days notice is given 50% of the both the total reserved accommodation and venue fee will be charged. If canceling within one (1) month of the wedding date, no refund will be given, guests are charged for the total of their reserved stay and venue fee.

