



WHERE LOVE IS
Always in Bloom





THE IDEAL SETTING FOR AN
Unforgettable Wedding



WELCOME TO ROYAL BOTANICAL GARDENS

Welcome to Royal Botanical Gardens (RBG), where nature meets celebration. As the largest botanical garden in Canada, RBG offers a breathtaking backdrop for your special day. Nestled between Burlington and Hamilton, just 45 minutes from Toronto, our venue spans 2,137 acres of pristine gardens and nature sanctuaries.

Now offering, exclusive access to say "I do". Imagine exchanging vows surrounded by lush greenery and vibrant blooms, with the beauty of Royal Botanical Gardens reserved just for you. Beginning at 5:00pm, you'll enjoy exclusive access to our breathtaking venues, ensuring your wedding feels private and intimate.

At RBG, your love story deserves nothing less than a private, unforgettable setting - and our evening weddings make it possible.



REACH OUT TO SECURE YOUR DATE TODAY!

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SOUGHT AFTER VENUES

ROCK GARDEN Up to 150 seated

1185 York Blvd, Hamilton

Ceremony Venue Courtyard | Upper Lawn

The Courtyard is an outdoor setting where stonework, plantings and tranquil water features create a scene of timeless romance. With nature's beauty as your backdrop, every moment feels effortless, elegant, and unforgettable.

The Upper Lawn is more than just picturesque - surrounded by a landscape featuring bold, season-long perennial displays highlighting texture and colour it will truly feel like a garden wedding.

THE GREAT ROOM & BISTRO 150 seated

The Great Room is an award winning architectural space with floor-to-ceiling windows and panoramic views of lush gardens. This modern, light-filled space offers a seamless connection to the outdoors while providing all the comfort of an indoor venue all within steps from your ceremony and cocktail location.

PHOTOGRAPHY LOCATIONS

Hendrie Park | Mediterranean Garden | Rock Garden | Arboretum

Spectacular gardens provide unparalleled backdrops for your wedding photos. Our gardens feature ever-changing displays of colourful blooms and foliage, with year-round options for your photography. A complimentary photo permit is included when booking your wedding at RBG. *Valued up to \$600*

RBG MAIN CENTRE Up to 250 seated

680 Plains Road West, Burlington

Ceremony Venue Rose Garden Tent

The Rose Garden Tent offers a romantic, open-air atmosphere with sweeping views of lush gardens and fragrant blooms at their seasonal peak. Perfect for ceremonies, this elegant space combines the charm of an outdoor garden wedding with the comfort and versatility of a covered venue.

Reception Venue Auditorium

The Auditorium now features a stunning new 3D feature rose wall – a show-stopping backdrop that adds instant elegance to your wedding decor. This artful installation captures the beauty of a rose in exquisite detail and can be illuminated in your custom colour, creating a breathtaking focal point for a head table and photography.

Note: Royal Botanical Gardens does not offer ceremony only bookings.



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INCLUSIONS

CEREMONY VENUE

- 2.5 hours of access time
 - 90 min. for set-up and guest arrival
 - 30–45 min. for the ceremony
 - 15–30 min. for pack-down
- White Garden chairs *Up to max. capacity*
- Signing table with white linen *48" round*
- One extra table with white linen
- Power access
- Complimentary parking for you and your guests

Note: Royal Botanical Gardens does not provide wedding coordination services.

Each wedding will have a dedicated Wedding Customer Service Representative who serves as the primary contact between the client and RBG. Their main responsibility is managing final event logistics and creation of floor plans, and communicating these details internally to the relevant teams. The Wedding Customer Service Representative is not responsible for managing or executing your wedding timeline or day-of coordination.

RECEPTION VENUE

- Up to 11 hours of venue access
2-3 Hour set-up, 1 hour pack-down
- Guest tables
Standard banquet rounds seating up to 8 guests per table
- Head table and operational tables
- Standard banquet chairs *Varies by location*
- Up to 2 easels
- Up to 9 assorted mixed plants *Varies by location*
- Set-up, pack-down and clean-up of included/contracted items
- White or Black Table Linens & Napkins
- Complimentary parking for you and your guests
- Complimentary access for you and your guests to all RBG properties for the day
- Complimentary Photo Permit
- RBG Branded Lectern



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ENHANCE YOUR EXPERIENCE

DÉCOR

3-Panel Portable Living Wall

Set-up fee included, 4'x8'

\$875

Living Botanical Centrepiece Rental

\$30

Prices per item unless otherwise stated. Rates do not include venue rental fee. Taxes not included. Subject to availability. Subject to change without notice.

Rock Garden

Located 1km away from RBG Centre and established in 1932, the historic Rock Garden stands as the proud birthplace of the Royal Botanical Gardens. Embracing sustainable trends in garden design, the Rock Garden inspires with its captivating colors and textures throughout all seasons. The Great Room, spanning 3,455 square feet, provides a versatile space ideal for weddings year-round at the Rock Garden.





UP TO 100 GUESTS

OPTION A

	STANDARD	SATURDAY & HOLIDAY WEEKENDS
Courtyard Ceremony <i>Outdoor</i>	\$975	\$1,100
Upper Lawn Cocktail <i>Outdoor</i>	\$2,175	\$2,175
Great Room Reception <i>Private indoor</i>	\$3,275	\$4,275
TOTAL	\$6,425	\$7,550

OPTION B

Upper Lawn Ceremony + Cocktail <i>Outdoor</i>	\$2,175	\$2,175
Great Room Reception <i>Private indoor</i>	\$3,275	\$4,275
TOTAL	\$5,450	\$6,450

101 - 150 GUESTS

OPTION A

	STANDARD	SATURDAY & HOLIDAY WEEKENDS
Courtyard Ceremony <i>Outdoor</i>	\$975	\$1,100
Upper Lawn Cocktail <i>Outdoor</i>	\$2,175	\$2,175
Great Room + Bistro Reception <i>Private indoor</i>	\$5,300	\$6,300
TOTAL	\$8,450	\$9,575

OPTION B

Upper Lawn Ceremony + Cocktail <i>Outdoor</i>	\$2,175	\$2,175
Great Room + Bistro Reception <i>Private indoor</i>	\$5,300	\$6,300
TOTAL	\$7,475	\$8,475



ENTERTAINMENT & A/V EXPERT SERVICES

RBG is pleased to collaborate with EAV Canada and DJ Emporium to offer expert services in A/V, DJ, entertainment, and technical support.

Electrical Access Fess \$395

For package options and further details, please contact your Sales Representative



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Rates are subject to HST.



RBC Centre - Auditorium

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UP TO 250 GUESTS

	STANDARD	SATURDAY & HOLIDAY WEEKENDS
Rose Garden Tent Ceremony <i>Outdoor</i>	\$1,975	\$2,975
Mediterranean Garden Cocktail <i>Indoor</i>	\$1,675	\$1,675
Auditorium + Royal Court Reception <i>Indoor + Outdoor</i>	\$4,275	\$5,275
TOTAL	\$7,925	\$9,925

EXCITING UPDATES!

We've invested \$500,000 to refresh the Auditorium with new flooring, modern wall décor & lighting, for an all-new contemporary space.

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HOST BAR OPTIONS

Enjoy our curated selection of wines, beers, ciders, and signature cocktails, crafted with the finest locally sourced ingredients. From our Zero Proof options to our Premium Bar Rail, our Host Bar Options are designed to elevate your event with sophistication and taste. At Royal Botanical Gardens, we invite you to raise your glass and toast to unforgettable moments in the heart of nature's beauty.

A SET-UP FEE OF \$150 + PER BAR APPLIES TO ALL BAR TYPES. SHOTS AND DOUBLES NOT AVAILABLE.

Bar prices include; set-up, bar staff, glassware.

OPEN BAR PACKAGE

HOUSE BAR PACKAGE \$59/per person

5-Hour House Bar Service with additional 2-hours of replenishable wine service at dinner.

Up to two additional hours (7-hours total) available at an additional fee.

PREMIUM BAR PACKAGE \$78/per person

5-Hour Premium Bar Service with additional 2-hours of replenishable wine service at dinner.

Up to two additional hours (7-hours total) available at an additional fee



CONSUMPTION BAR

During a consumption bar, the host is covering the cost of drinks for guests, allowing them to enjoy beverages without having to pay individually.

TICKETED BAR

Similar to a host consumption bar, ticketed bar allows the host to have more control over the number of drinks each guest orders by distributing drink tickets to guests.

For consumption and ticketed bars, RBG collects a \$28 deposit per person from the host, with our bartenders meticulously tracking the served items. Following the event, we reconcile the final bar bill with the deposit total, promptly issuing refunds for any excess or invoicing the host for the outstanding balance.

CASH BAR

During a cash bar, guests are responsible for covering costs of the beverages they order.

Specialty alcohol available upon request. Maximum two signature cocktails per event. Hard bar closed during dinner. Bar Service does not exceed 7 hours. Subject to 17% service charge. Menu and pricing subject to change without notice. Taxes not included.



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CREATE AN UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE

As part of a partnership program, RBG is proud to work with the following caterers and vendors to ensure your day is special.

CATERING PARTNERS

RBG offers delicious locally-sourced catering options, proudly partnering with:



Dallas Lombardi
Vice President, Sales & Special Events
dallas@equalparts.ca
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Amanda Bailey & Chef Scott Bailey
Owner
info@cityfarmcatering.com
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Nicole Meriano
Sales & Events Manager
hello@figandlemon.ca
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Zahid Shahab
CEO
zahid@auntyskitchen.ca
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RECOMMENDED VENDORS

PLANNING & COORDINATION

Bisous Events

bonjour@bisousevents.com
bisousevents.com

New Berlin Events

hello@newberlinevents.ca
newberlinevents.ca

Perfect Planners

info@perfectplannersweddings.com
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WEDDING OFFICIANTS

All Life's Milestones Weddings

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Rev. Deborah Coleman

marrym@deborahcoleman.ca
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The Marry Men

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Special Event Rentals

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Nicole Kirk Wedding Photography

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Mark Zelinski Photography Design

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DJ

EAV & DJ Emporium *RBG's In-House Vendor*

sales@djemporium.com
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Briscoe Music

briscoemusic@gmail.com
chrisbriscoe.ca

LIVE MUSIC

Boutique Entertainment

laurenroyentertainment@gmail.com
boutiqueentertainment.ca

Gareth Bush Music

GarethBushMusic@gmail.com
garethbushmusic.com

L&T Entertainment

duo@lisetteandtyler.com
lisetteandtyler.com/weddings

HOTEL

The Laundry Rooms Augusta Hamilton

sales@thelaundryrooms.ca
thelaundryrooms.ca/location/hamilton

Waterfront Hotel Downtown Burlington

reservations.travelclick.com

Hampton Inn by Hilton Hamilton

hilton.com

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

BILLING SCHEDULE

- **1st Payment:** Full Facility Rental due at the time of contract signing to confirm your booking.
- **2nd Payment:** 50% of your estimated balance will be due three (3) months prior to your wedding date.
- **3rd Payment:** Remaining anticipated final balance will be due one (1) month prior to your wedding date.

Accepted Payment Methods

Payment can be made with certified cheque, interact e-transfer, or credit card (all credit cards are subject to a 3% processing fee).

SECURITY DEPOSIT

All events require a Security Deposit of \$2,000 to be paid within 30 days prior to the event date. The Damage Deposit will be refunded in full within 30 days following the Event Date should the premises, including but not limited to the event spaces and any common areas, parking, and gardens used by the Customer, be left in their original condition of cleanliness and repair.

SOCAN & RE:SOUND FEES

All events that play recorded or live music or use music as a part of a presentation or video are subject to mandatory RE:Sound and SOCAN fees collected by Entandem to pay royalties to music composers, writers, publishers, and performers. RBG presents these fees separately to ensure our clients are only billed the applicable fees. Each fee ranges between \$10 and \$70 + HST based on the number of attendees and whether there is dancing at the event.

EXTERNAL DJ / MUSICIAN FEE

Should you wish to utilize a DJ outside of our preferred vendor list, there will be a fee of \$395 + HST for electrical access. Vendors are provided an operational table and electrical access by RBG. Vendors are to provide their own equipment, such as a mixing console, microphones, speakers, lights, etc.

EVENT INSURANCE

All RBG events will require the purchase of liability insurance. Proof of insurance must be submitted no later than one month before the event, with a minimum coverage of 2 million dollars. We've partnered with [Duuu](#) to offer you an exclusive rate on the event insurance policy cost. The quote and purchase process with [Duuu](#) is under 5 minutes, and emails your certificate directly to RBG.

CATERING

Preferred Catering Partners

RBG has selected four catering companies to act as preferred vendors. These four caterers are best-in-class, and you will be able to select the caterer you feel is the best fit for your own meal plans and budget.

- **Equal Parts Hospitality** – dallas@equalparts.ca
- **fig & lemon** – hello@figandlemon.ca
- **City Farm Catering** – info@cityfarmcatering.com
- **Aunty's Kitchen** – zahid@auntyskitchen.ca

SMOKING

There is no smoking permitted anywhere on the RBG premises, including parking lots.

PHOTOGRAPHY

RBG wedding clients receive a complimentary photography permit for the garden of their event. The gardens remain open to the public during our operating hours. Photography permits do not provide exclusive access to the garden/permit areas. Permits are for the public area of the gardens.

- Photography is permitted any time within your booked venue space for the duration of your event.

GUEST GARDEN ACCESS

- The outdoor areas at Royal Botanical Gardens are open to the public during events.
- Guests have access to RBG public areas during our regular operating hours on the day of the wedding event.
- Guests are **NOT PERMITTED ACCESS** to Hendrie Park, or Lower Bowl of the Rock Garden after operating hours unless otherwise reserved.
- Guests may arrive to the reception venue no earlier than 30 minutes prior to the event start time.
- Guests arriving earlier are invited to enjoy garden areas.

ACCESS TIME & EVENT TIME

Reception Access Time

Up to 11 hours total and includes the time before and after your reception for set-up and pack-down. Our typical reception access time is 2 pm-1 am. Additional time is booked at \$350/hour. The latest time to pack-down and vacate the space is by 2 am. Starting at your access time, clients and vendors can deliver and set-up additional décor, displays, etc.

Ceremony Venue Access Time

2.5 hours (90 minutes for set-up and guest arrival, 30-45 minutes for ceremony and 15-30 minutes for pack-down).

Reception Event Time

Up to 8 hours total and refers to your actual wedding event time, and where your guests are present in the space.

DÉCOR AND RESTRICTIONS

RBG is a bio conservation area first and anything that may harm flora or fauna is not permitted at RBG. Couples, or those appointed by, are responsible for set-up and tear-down of all non-facilitated RBG items. RBG does not store items over night and, everything brought in must be brought out within the client access time.

- No potted/rooted plants- Succulents as favours are permissible if they are wrapped or contained on all sides. All other living plant favours must be authorized. Cut florals/ botanicals are permitted.
- No hanging items from the ceiling/plants or sticking items to the walls.
- No open flames, sparklers, fireworks, smoke bombs or smoke machines. Candles enclosed in tempered glass are permitted with the flame not exceeding ½ inch below the rim, but they must be placed on tables, **not on the ground**.
- Glass items are not permitted on the floor.
- No synthetic flower petals/confetti, glitter, rice, or seeds. Real petals or leaf confetti are permitted for tossing.
- Butterfly/Dove releases are not permitted anywhere on RBG property.
- No tampering with/decorating RBG plant material. If clients would like plants to be moved, they may request this adjustment, however it is up to approval of RBG's Horticulture Department.
- Dance floor wrapping must be approved in advance and all materials, including any residue, must be removed within the client's access time. If materials including any lasting residue is not removed to RBG's satisfaction, we have the right to have it removed at the client's expense.
- Balloons are not a preferred décor item. Balloon releases are not authorized anywhere on RBG property. If balloons are brought in, they must be anchored to something free-standing and taken off site with the client. We will not dispose of the balloons.
- Anything used to transport décor items must be taken off-site with the client and not disposed of on-site. Items may include, but are not limited to, boxes, bags, wrapping, etc.
- RBG is not responsible for the storage or security of items brought on-site. This includes, but is not limited to, placing belongings under tables, placing toiletries for event guests in public washrooms, etc.
- **Unique décor requests MUST be approved by the RBG Sales Manager.**



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