



## Wedding Ceremony Options & Prices

Your wedding is not cookie-cutter affair. Together, we will design a unique ceremony that fits your personalities, your beliefs ... and your budget!

### Civil Ceremony

*A courthouse wedding without the courthouse*

- A basic ceremony performed at your location
- Exchange of vows
- Signing of marriage license
- Ceremony duration: 5-10 minutes

**Price: \$150**

### Simple "I Do" Ceremony

*A short-but-sweet ceremony with a small number of guests and no wedding party*

- Perfect for a cabin, park or restaurant wedding
- A simple ceremony performed at your location
- Choice of prearranged vows
- Signing of marriage license
- Ceremony duration: 10-15 minutes

**Price: \$250+**

### Traditional Ceremony

*A formal ceremony that expresses the love and beliefs you share, held at a venue you have reserved (including a church)*

- Custom composed vows and ceremony that reflect your unique story and love
- Readings and cultural/family traditions (e.g., Celtic hand fasting, unity candle, etc.) may be added
- Signing of marriage license
- Ceremony duration: 15-20 minutes

**Price: \$350+**

### Elopement Ceremony

*A little Las Vegas in the mountains!*

- A basic ceremony for just the two of you
- Exchange of vows
- Signing of marriage license
- Ceremony duration: 5-10 minutes

**Price: \$150+**



## Wedding Ceremony FAQs

### *Q: Should we talk?*

**A:** Yes! The relationship with your wedding officiant is like the groom's tux — it has to be a great fit. So, we'll start with a quick phone or Zoom call to get to know each other. If you're comfortable, we can begin discussing some of the ceremony details. There's never a charge and never any obligation at this point.

### *Q: What happens next?*

**A:** If it feels like a good fit, we can proceed to a ceremony planning session where we generate ideas and begin designing the overall flow of your wedding celebration. I'll then provide you with a draft, based on your input. This draft will cover all the bases — everything from introduction of the bride to exchange of rings and "I Dos." Most couples prefer to write their own vows, but I'm always here to help.

### *Q: What are the "3 Ps?"*

**A:** Ultimately, you want a wedding officiant who is Professional, Personable and Punctual. Professional, because you want a gifted communicator helping you craft the perfect ceremony. Personable, because you want someone who can bring your ceremony to life with light-hearted moments and deeply felt emotion. And finally, Punctual, because you never want to be left wondering whether your officiant is going to show up!

### *Q: How far in advance should we book?*

**A:** My calendar fills quickly, especially during the peak months of September – November. A year out is not too far to book. Although I always try to accommodate those "We've decided to elope this weekend" requests!

### *Do you require a deposit?*

**A:** To make sure that everyone has some skin in the game, I ask for a modest deposit, typically \$100. Is it refundable? Almost always. I'm not one to rain on anyone's parade.

### *What locations do you cover?*

**A:** I wish it was as simple as traveling as the crow flies, but travel time adds up on our windy mountain roads. To keep things simple, I've designed pricing to include travel to these nearby North Georgia/Tennessee towns:

- Blue Ridge
- Ellijay
- Blairsville
- Hiawassee
- Young Harris
- Copperhill, TN

If the crow reeeaaalllly has to fly (i.e., to Dahlonega, Dawsonville or the Atlanta metro area), I'll provide a reasonable fee for travel time.

### *Q: Do you attend rehearsals?*

**A:** The honest truth is that you don't need me hanging around your rehearsal. Rehearsals are for practicing how the wedding party will walk in and walk out, and where they will stand. They are typically handled by your venue or wedding planner, so no need to duplicate expenses (you're better off spending the money on an extra-decadent dessert for the reception!). If need be, we can do a same-day rehearsal an hour prior to the ceremony, which is typically when I would arrive.

### *Q: What is the next step?*

**A:** Contact me now to schedule a complimentary consultation, and let's start planning your happily ever after!