

Your Wedding in Ravello



Agenda of Events

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May 1st depart from UK

Remember to carry your important documents with you in a safe place - this includes your passports and any other official documents you need to be married. Do NOT ship your Wedding dress!

Afternoon May 1st arrive in Ravello, Italy

*Check into your hotel/villa.
Settle in and relax!*

May 2nd 11 am

Meet your Wedding Planner to go over the Agenda for the next few days. Your itinerary gives you plenty of free time to explore the area.

VISIT THE AMALFI COAST!

Take the *Metro' del Mare (water bus)* to coastal towns like Amalfi, Positano, Sorrento, Vietri sul Mare, Pozzuoli, Bacoli. It's a great ride! Tickets can be purchased at any port or on board.

Some information about the AMALFI COAST..



RAVELLO

Is perched on a cliff overlooking the town of Amalfi - it is without a doubt a dream come true! Enchanting gardens include those at VILLA RUFOLLO AND VILLA CIMBRONE. There is much less traffic here than in the other coastal towns, and a good time to stroll the streets is in the afternoon when the morning crowds have gone and beach goers are still at the beach. The best use of your time is just

to enjoy the scenery – and discover the monuments which include the Duomo, built in the 11th century reflecting typical roman style architecture and famous for the bronze doors adorned with 54 rectangular forms depicting various moments in the life of Christ, the Virgin Mary and several Saints; the Duomo museum filled with treasures from the past; Saint Francis library and monumental building; Villa Rufolo, home of Nicolo' who financed the building of the Ravello Duomo and later home to great musicians such as Giuseppe Verdi, Toscanini, Bernstein, and numerous others.

AMALFI

Is a tiny, romantic town, rising from a deep gorge with an impressive Duomo to visit. Here too, it is nice just to walk around. During the Middle Ages, Amalfi was an independent state and a very important city in the area. You can also explore Capri from here, just hop on a hydrofoil!

Other easily reachable coastal towns include: Vietri sul Mare, Sorrento, Positano, Naples and Capri, plus Pompei and Herculaneum.

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POSITANO

Is a fashion favorite. Great shopping and exclusive design make a stop here a must for the ladies. The Emerald Grotto - GROTTA SMERALDA is just outside Positano and a tour of these sea-carved caverns shows you the amazing colors the Mediterranean can become.

RESTAURANTS:

Positano:

list of restaurants in Positano

Ravello:

list of restaurants in Ravello

Amalfi:

list of restaurants in Amalfi

Sorrento:

list of restaurants in Sorrento

SORRENTO looks across to the grand Bay of Naples, major port for the south of Italy. To get here, you take the S145 and the Autostrada A3. Some parts of the road winds through the hillside, but most of the road is quite breathtaking and the vulcano Vesuvius can be seen towering in the background, also the huge Mt. Faito. The coast towards Amalfi is generally less congested than the coast towards Sorrento, because **Sorrento** is definitely where it's happening! Discos, clubs, 24-hour entertainment is based in this young, energetic town. Highlights of Sorrento include "La Limonaia", a lemon grove right in the center of town where you can buy the traditional *limoncello* lemon liqueur; views from the VILLA COMUNALE and the terrace that lies behind the MUSEO CORREALE. It is a collection of antiques, decorative art objects and porcelain - a bit of everything really.

The main PIAZZA TASSO and the VIA SAN CESAREO are in the center of action and "people-watching". Here you can buy handcrafted leather sandals, beachwear, typical Sorrento ceramics and in-laid wood products. The town's narrow alleys end up in a pedestrian lane (follow Via Marina Grande) and the only tiny beach of the city.

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Places to go in Sorrento

Visit the "Limoneto" in downtown Sorrento, near Piazza Angelina Lauro, where you walk through rows of lemon trees, key to the *limoncello* liqueur the Amalfi Coast is famous for. There is a small shop inside the groves where you can purchase limoncello and other liqueurs made from natural products such as basil leaves, tangerines, other spices and fruit.



Piazza Tasso marks the center of the main shopping and cruising area of Sorrento. Wander down the alleys and take a look at all of the handcrafts this area has specialized in for centuries: inlaid wood, ceramics, leather sandals, and fine lace.

Getting hot and tired? Stop at Gelateria Pollio on Corso Italia and have a fabulous Italian Gelato!

Ready for Dinner?

If you want to dine out, here are two places I recommend, depending on what you are in the mood for:

(Here we tell you about two very special restaurants and pizza places!)

May 3rd

Your entertainment provider Maurizio will meet you at your hotel to go over the music and playlists as follows:

- violin solo for religious ceremony
- Keyboard, guitar, sax, female singer during reception meal
- DJ from midnight to 2 am

May 5th 5:30 pm – Declaration at the Ravello Wedding Hall

Meet your onsite coordinator for Ravello in front of the Wedding Hall (see your map) to complete your paperwork for the Civil portion of your marriage. Luca will translate and assist in speaking with officials.

May 6th 12:00 pm – meeting with Father John at the Duomo



Your meeting with the priest is when you will discuss your ceremony proceedings, readings, candle lighting, and any other details of the religious celebration. Please bring with you a donation for the church.

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May 7th, 2006 – Your Wedding Day!

9:30 am May 7th



Your flowers will be delivered to your hotel, you have requested the following in your floral theme:

- 1 cascade bridal bouquet
- 4 bridesmaid bouquets
- 9 boutonnieres
- 2 extra bouquets for mums

Your Wedding Planner will be there to make sure everyone gets the right flowers.

Your hairdresser will arrive with his staff to do your hair and make up. Your photographer will start your photoshoot during the final stage of your preparation and then follow you to the church.

11:00am

Your Wedding Planner will meet you in front of the Duomo for last minute adjustments and reassurances.

11:15 am Catholic Wedding Ceremony



Father John Barrymore will perform your Catholic ceremony, your violin soloist will provide music. Flowers are set up at the altar and at the entrance, plus rose petals down your runner.

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12:30 pm Cocktails at Villa Eva

While you both go off for your photoshoot throughout Ravello, your guests will be accommodated for cocktails and snacks.

1:30 p.m. Reception

Wedding Menu

Starter

Caprese salad with Mozzarella di Bufala

First Course

Home made ravioli with ragu sauce

Main Course

Baked Salmon with courgettes
Veal scallopina with Rosemary potatoes

SIDE DISHES

vegetables in season.

DESSERT

Italian gelato

Wedding Cake

Wine, mineral water, coffee, and after dinner grappa and limoncello

Music during your reception:

International music group keyboard, guitar, sax, and female singer

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6:30 p.m. Pizza party!!



You and your guests will enjoy one of the historic specialties of the Campania region, A' Pizza! Freshly made pizza dough topped with fresh, locally produced tomatoes and mozzarella cheese, then cooked in a wood-burning brick oven, this culinary art form has been preserved by a select few who have handed down the secrets of dough-making and swirling to obtain a perfectly round base and an unmatched flavor.

12:00 a.m. Time to move inside and continue celebrating....

City ordinance mandates peace and quiet from midnight, so your DJ will be ready inside to continue your party **until 2 a.m.**

Congratulations and Best Wishes!

Your contact in Italy:

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TRAVEL TIPS

TAXI INSTRUCTIONS:

Remember to take authorized taxis only ...

CAR RENTAL INFORMATION

If you rent a car ...

TIPPING

Most restaurants ...

MEDICINE AND PHARMACIES

If you take prescription medicine ...

EXCHANGING CASH AND TRAVELLERS CHEQUES

All currency exchanges require ...

SHOPS

Operating hours vary ...

MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES

Monday is the general closing day.

PERSONAL SECURITY

If you are carrying any valuables (expensive jewelry, watches) leave them in your hotel safety deposit box

BARS AND CAFES

There is a two-tier price system ...

