

Vatulele Island Resort - Weddings

A Vatulele wedding is where the fantasy of a lifetime comes true! For many career-minded couples, organizing a wedding takes an enormous effort that the idea of 'eloping' can become extremely attractive, especially when the wedding can take place in the serene romantic setting of Vatulele Island Resort.

The service is often held on the private beach at sunset, in a 'church' with doors and windows created from plaited coconut leaves and flowers. Occasionally, traditionally dressed Fijian warriors accompany the bride on a tranquil barge trip across the lagoon whilst the bride is carried ashore to take her vows. The ceremony is accompanied by the charming voices of a village choir raised in sublime harmony.

Wedding ceremonies at Vatulele Island Resort are not merely a show. The vows are solemnized by a Fijian minister, and as a result of their popularity, weddings are limited to only a few per month. Each wedding is tailored according to the guest's requirements, with romantic and traditional options including traditional Kava ceremony and dancing in a selection of romantic dinner locations.

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For all concerned, a Vatulele wedding is the fantasy of a lifetime come true.

Wedding Package

- ♥ *Pre wedding massage for two*
- ♥ *Flowers including Bouquet, Button hole or Lei, Table arrangement*
- ♥ *Registration and transfer to Nadi government office*
- ♥ *Dedicated host to assist bride*
- ♥ *Private ceremony on beach which includes floral archway and altar*



- ♥ *Bride arrives to ceremony on ceremonial boat accompanied by Four traditional Fijian wedding warriors*
- ♥ *Ceremony is conducted by Methodist minister & accompanied by Village choir.*
- ♥ *Services of two witnesses if required*
- ♥ *Flower girl and boy*
- ♥ *Meke (traditional Fijian dancers and singers)*
- ♥ *Kava Ceremony*
- ♥ *Private candlelit dinner on the Beach (weather permitting)*
- ♥ *Dinner menu designed by Executive chef (menu will include matching wines to compliment each dish)*
- ♥ *Wedding Cake*
- ♥ *Bottle of French Champagne*
- ♥ *Vatulele will arrange to courier the wedding certificate from Foreign Affairs Office to guest home country*
- ♥ *Complimentary Tapa tube for certificate*
- ♥ *Hand painted Tapa cloth for Bride and Groom*
- ♥ *Wedding gift from General Manager and Hosts of Vatulele*

\$5,100.00 CAD(including tax)

\$7,115.00CAD with Photographer (including tax)

Wedding Date and Minimum Stay

The wedding service is usually held towards the end of the celebrants stay, however, the exact date itself can not be guaranteed due to availability of staff and Minister and subject to weather conditions. Requests for particular dates, however, will be taken into account and met, where possible. The resort is unable to conduct a weekend wedding, due to other commitments for choir and minister. A minimum stay of six nights is required for the celebrants.

Details and Special Requests



After arrival at the resort, couples discuss the service in detail with the island management. Any special requests may be made at this time. Flowers, including a wedding bouquet, are provided depending upon what is currently in season in Fiji. Requests for professional bouquets and decorations must be made with the Island Management upon arrival. Because Vatulele is a remote location, most couples elect to have a staff member and/or other guests take the photographs using their own photographic or film equipment. Should guests be interested in using a professional photographer, further details are available when making the wedding reservation.

Documentation and Registration

On the day of transfer in to Vatulele, a member of our Nadi office staff will arrange to meet clients (at a time and place to be confirmed at the time of booking). They will transport guests to the Registry office to complete the application for Wedding Licence. A current passport, original birth certificate (if available), and proof of annulment (if previously married) is required. The cost of the application is CAD\$25 (CAD\$70 on weekends). There must be 3 working days between the registration and the marriage (wedding can occur on the 4th day). Note that there are many Monday public holidays in Fiji. The wedding must occur within 28 days of the application. Once the actual service has taken place, the island will forward your signed documents to the mainland for processing. Copies of the original Wedding Certificate will be mailed to guests approximately 6 weeks from this date. A processing fee is charged to ensure that the Wedding Certificate is issued within this period. The cost of this service is C\$40 Please ask our office staff for further details at the time of registration.

