

Grand Romance Cayman Islands

The Cayman Islands have a way with weddings, from barefoot beach ceremonies to tastefully themed receptions.

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You can marry the day you arrive in the Cayman Islands, as this glorious three-island getaway has no mandatory waiting period. And what a choice destination it is: Silky sands, pristine waters and clear blue skies are givens in this wedding wonderland, which is also known for cutting-edge restaurants, upscale lodgings, sensational spas and outdoor activities from caving to kayaking. Most couples say their vows on Grand Cayman, where splendid Seven Mile Beach is lined with resorts. Be sure your honeymoon itinerary includes Cayman Brac, with its rugged landscape and exceptional diving, and Little Cayman, where the beaches are nearly empty.

If your dream is to get married on an untouched white beach with crystal-clear waters, then look no further than the Cayman Islands, home to the Caribbean's premier full-service wedding planner, **Jo-Anne Brown Events**, and its respected event production company, **Celebrations**, which offers clients an international standard of design, planning and production. With a staff of 50 professionals, Celebrations offers couples an endless array of choices for every element of their weddings, the planners working closely with each bride and groom to create a wedding unique and personalized to them. The limits? None.

Whether you are in Cayman for the day on a cruise ship excursion or you choose to stay on-island for the ultimate destination wedding experience, Jo-Anne Brown Events and its team of caring professionals will help you plan every detail of your wedding, from booking accommodations and activities to ordering invitations, arranging welcome baskets and creating your wedding cake. They design the whole experience, ensuring your wedding is a true reflection of you.

In addition to her bespoke Couture Weddings, where budgets are limitless, Jo-Anne has brought together a collection for the modern bride with a modest budget. This year will see the launch of the Jo-Anne Brown-designed Wedding Collections, a beautiful array of wedding elements and accessories designed to coordinate seamlessly, creating the ultimate setting, unique to your taste.

Brown has now joined forces with Carley Roney, co-founder and editor-in-chief of The Knot Inc. On the TV show *My Destination Wedding With the Knot*, Roney said, "I've never been so impressed by an event planner as I was working with Jo-Anne Brown."

As well as being featured on the Travel Channel and The Knot (on the Style Network), Brown has received extensive European coverage. A speaker at many international bridal conferences and events, Brown has a passion for her beloved Caribbean; her depth of knowledge and experience in destination weddings makes her a trendsetter in the field. Topping the list of Jo-Anne's most recent accolades was being appointed an A-List Planner in *Destination Weddings & Honeymoons*' April 2010 edition. Need we say more? 345-623-2044, celebrationsltd.com

If you're looking for a truly special venue for your Grand Cayman wedding, go for the gold: **Grand Old House** is a century-old former Caribbean great house that now dedicates itself to serving fine food and wine. Situated on the shores of the beautiful Caribbean Sea, it is the perfect setting for your special day; just imagine your ceremony with the beautiful blue ocean as a backdrop to your celebratory champagne reception and lunch or dinner afterward.

Wedding planner Desiree Evans will be your guide at Grand Old House, where the "grand" can refer to details, limousines, flowers and entertainment; even departure

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Have a special kind of wedding cake in mind? Grand Old House's pastry chef will create it for you. If you're staying elsewhere, Grand Old House will even pack up the food and bring the party to you; off-site catering is part of the business. But to wed in the stately structure located on what was originally the 1908 Petra Plantation and was later a Sunday school, a hospital and even a salon ... now *that's* Caribbean charm. 345-949-9333, grandoldhouse.com

Sure, you can marry barefoot on the beach at **The Westin Casuarina Resort & Spa, Grand Cayman**, but this resort offers options so elegant you might decide to go for formal footwear. Home of a AAA Four Diamond restaurant, the Westin Casuarina has the ability to throw weddings with panache. Ballrooms with crystal chandeliers, sculpted gardens and chef-designed menus are all part of the options at this elegant hotel, which hosts weddings for two to three hundred people.

You'll be in good hands. At the Westin Casuarina, a seasoned catering staff is expert at helping brides and grooms plan weddings. From a simple ceremony for the just the two of you to an all-out dinner-and-dancing reception with a band, a photographer, a videographer and an elaborate decor, you'll be led to trustworthy vendors who know how to do their jobs well. And you'll be rewarded for your expenditures. You'll earn

Starpoints for the dollars you spend on your event and can redeem them for hotel stays, gourmet meals and other treats. For the bride and groom, book the honeymoon package and the newlyweds will be indulged with a welcome bottle of champagne, a Jeep rental, a sunset cruise, a couples massage and a 10 percent discount on all Red Sail Sports activities.

Your honeymoon will be as special as your wedding. With its own 900-foot stretch of white sand along Seven Mile Beach, the Westin Casuarina features an oversize swimming pool with a swim-up bar. Guests can participate in hotel activities while you tuck into the Hibiscus Spa for world-class massages and wraps. When it's time to settle in, you'll enjoy your marble bathroom and Westin Heavenly Bed with soft thick linens. Of six inviting restaurants and lounges, the most celebratory is the highly rated Casa Havana, where you'll dine oceanfront on Asia de Cuban fare. 345-945-3800, westingrandcayman.com

It's all about options at **theReef**, the only all-beachfront resort on Grand Cayman. Exchange rings on a sailing sloop out at sea, if you'd like. Celebrate *au deux* with a romantic champagne dinner on the beach. Or hold a poolside bash for a bevy of loved ones, and bring them along for a private sunset sail around the mangroves or on an excursion to Stingray City. Under the direction of dedicated on-site wedding planners, theReef offers three wedding packages and a slew of add-ons. In the end, every wedding is customized to fit each couple's style.

If you arrive without an entourage, opt for The Barefoot Wedding, which will make your big day exceptional. Not only will you receive the wedding ceremony and license, a decorated signing table with fresh flowers, bridal flowers and chilled champagne for a post-ceremony toast, but there's more: five nights in a Deluxe Beachfront Studio Suite with whirlpool tub, a chilled bottle of bubbly awaiting you, a candlelit champagne dinner for two and a sunset kayak tour of Stingray City.

For yet more pampering, sign up for Caymanite Paradise. Not only is the bubbly Dom Perignon, but you'll also be treated to a bamboo wedding arch with a conch shell and rose petal aisle, a cake, photography, a wedding soloist, a morning-after breakfast for two and dinner on the beach with a dedicated server. Lit palm trees at sunset? Tiki torch aisles? Catered celebrations? Just ask.

Alone or with a group, theReef is a relaxing getaway. It doesn't get more raucous than a volleyball match in the sand. Spend your days lounging on the beach, cooling off in three landscaped pools, snorkeling and joining resort activities. Or hole up happily in a beautifully appointed beachfront condo and clink glasses on your patio or balcony. 888-232-0541, thereef.com



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For your wedding, book the whole property. With the help of a knowledgeable wedding planner from Celebrations, Cotton Tree will handle all the legal work and make your ceremony and reception absolutely dreamy. Expect signature body treatments or hour-long massages, and a three-course dinner with wine prepared in your suite by a personal chef. Choose from four wedding packages. With One Love, One Heart, you'll have your first married kiss under an arch draped with sheer white fabric as a harpist or violinist plays and up to 20 guests look on. Choose Caribbean Sonata, one of two deluxe options, to receive upgrades such as a four-poster wedding canopy, bridal flowers, a white aisle runner outlined with sand-filled cylindrical glass vases, oversized shade umbrellas and authentic sand dollar or starfish favors. 345-943-0700, caymancottontree.com

If you prefer the spaciousness of a beachfront home to the limitations of a hotel room, consider renting a villa for your wedding and honeymoon. **Cayman Villas** will find the perfect fit for you, taking into consideration your budget, the locale you prefer and whether you'll be alone or traveling with friends and family who'll want to lodge in their own villas nearby. You can trust Cayman Villas: Owner Penny Cumber established the company in 1970 and continues to oversee the rentals of 100 lovely properties throughout the islands.

Cayman Villas will do far more than find a villa for your wedding and honeymoon. If you want to say your vows or celebrate in your villa, the firm's knowledgeable representatives will guide you to an appropriate rental — and to qualified wedding planners. They'll also lead you to professionals who can help you find ceremony and reception venues elsewhere in the destination, and those consultants will help with all the details, from decorations to music to photography, as you see fit. Ask your Cayman Villas expert to arrange a romantic dinner by the sea, flowers and champagne in your bedroom upon arrival and any other extras you can think of. 800-235-5888, caymanvillas.com

In a prime location near Seven Mile Beach, the Ritz-Carlton and the Caymans' only golf course, **Sunshine Suites Resort** offers a surprisingly affordable option for weddings and honeymoons. Although Sunshine Suites' service is polished and professional (and exceptionally friendly), the resort's atmosphere is comfortable; wedding parties often feel as if they're in a friend's home. One reason might be the lodging: Every unit is a furnished suite with a complete kitchen. The resort welcomes small wedding receptions and ceremonies, and the staff will gladly assist with finding suitable venues elsewhere on Grand Cayman. For intimate functions like group barbecues and cocktail parties, and even to-go lunches for wedding-party excursions, look no further than the property's award-winning Sunshine Bar & Grill.

Small and friendly, Sunshine Suites invites all guests to enjoy a complimentary continental breakfast every morning. Groups tend to gather around the sparkling freshwater pool. Friends are bound to send photos of the two of you back home using the resort's free high-speed wireless Internet access (or the rental laptops that are available) and can occupy themselves for days visiting the restaurants, shops and entertainment outlets that are a short walk away. 877-786-1110, sunshinesuites.com

Whether you want to honeymoon in the Cayman Islands for a week or a month, let **Cayman Condos** find the best rental for your needs. From intimate one-bedrooms in ace locations to sprawling villas, this firm will match you up with the best home away from home for your special getaway.

The sales rep you talk to will understand your needs. Cayman Condos is located in northeast Iowa, so its owners and employees understand what mainland United States residents seek in a vacation property and will enthusiastically do their best to find the right fit for you. The booking process is streamlined to be stress-free. Simply peruse what's available on the website and book online 24 hours a day, or call any weekday to talk to a professional who knows the inventory. Perhaps you'd like to spend your newlywed nights at Treasure Island Condos, which have resort-like amenities, including three pools; at Britannia Villas, adjacent to a golf course; or at Georgetown Villas, located on a tranquil stretch of beach where the barbecue grills entice you to laid-back evenings of relaxation. You'll always have plenty of space and ample kitchen equipment to prepare romantic meals at home — although a fabulous array of restaurants is never far. 800-999-1338, cicondos.com

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