Eco-friendly Wedding

Tips & advice for your eco-friendly wedding:

Really easy to have an eco friendly wedding and it doesn't mean having a toilet paper dress!



Venue for your eco-friendly wedding: Getting married outdoor is a great way to save the environment as no power required and your guests enjoy wonderful scenery. Whats better than being married surrounded by nature? However you can make an indoor ceremony green as well. Choosing the same place for your ceremony & reception will cut back on fuel emissions & using the venue natural sunlight is an option to be green. Check out hotels/venues in advance making sure staff pays attention to nature, recycling & using energy-efficient appliances!



Stationery for your eco-friendly wedding: Its production has a negative impact on the earth as it pollutes. Perhaps create a wedding website which you will update gradually as your wedding plans develop and alert your guests to it through email/text. Or send traditional wedding invites made with recycled paper & an email address for RSVP's. Use one card for ceremony and reception. Some companies provide paper you can plant after your wedding turning into a flower/plant instead of being in a landfill.



Set the tone for your eco-friendly wedding: Reflect your eco-friendly themed wedding through your decorations using organic matters or natural products such as organic cotton for your napkins. Using glass jars as candleholders can also be green friendly. Think about green every time you make a decision; there are lots of possibilities to have an eco friendly wedding.



Flowers for your eco-friendly wedding: Lots of flowers aren't eco-friendly as they are created with chemicals products or simply doused with pesticides. Most blooms come from abroad adding fuel emissions and pollution but encourage guests to take them home so they are used again. Use seasonal certified flowers perhaps even local! Another option is to use potted plants and flowers as decorations as you can replant them in your backyard. Alternatively, use dried or silk flowers.



<u>Food for your eco-friendly wedding</u>: Choose a menu with organic and locally grown ingredients. Discuss the best options for your eco-friendly menu with the venue chef. Buying local ensures chef will get fresh food and will use less electricity and fuel for transport. Choose in-season products avoiding transport pollution with exportation and these products aren't grown in heated greenhouse.



Jewels for your eco-friendly wedding: All jewellery you wear on your wedding day can be eco-friendly, made with recycled gold for example. Ask your jeweller about the origin of your diamond making sure you don't make a mistake of it not been green.



Wedding gown for your eco-friendly wedding: Lots of electricity is maybe used when creating materials for your wedding gown such as satin, tulle... Keep in mind you'll be wearing it only once in your life! If you want a new wedding dress, check out designers using sustainable fabrics offered by nature. If you have a wedding gown preserved by your mom use it for your wedding, making some amendments to your style. Another option a dress from a vintage clothing shop. In these 2 cases, no new gowns will be produced and it gives a second wear to your dress also.



Favours for your eco-friendly wedding: Ensure your gift packages are biodegradable. Perhaps you could give a donation to a charity instead of favours. Advice your guests about your contribution via word of mouth or write it on menu (only print 2/3 menus per table). If you give a treat to your guests, choose an edible or practical favour would like ie use local products from your local orchard or farm. Give something guests they could recycle or take home such as bamboo plants/seeds.



Registry for your eco-friendly wedding: Opt for an eco-friendly gift list to catch guest attention about saving the earth. Give priority to organic & natural matters like bamboo, natural products... A charitable donation is another eco option you could consider.

