



Media Release

Navigate Oceania

**BOUTIQUE WEDDING DREAMS CAN COME TRUE:
*Romantic bride and wedding deals at superb city, country & island destinations***

NEW ZEALAND (31 March 2009). Navigate Oceania announces the addition of 'Boutique Wedding' to our website: www.navigateoceania.com/wedding.php. Here's the answer to every bride's dream of a memorable day – an incomparable choice of boutique and heritage hotels in

New Zealand and Fiji offering pre-wedding relaxation, fabulous weddings and memorable honeymoons.

Entrust your wedding-day happiness to the proven professionals of Navigate Oceania's boutique hotels and resorts throughout breathtaking New Zealand and in sub-tropical Fiji. The very best of hospitality is their business; making your day is what they do, every day of the year. So, who better to make your day of days everything you dreamed, in the setting you have always wanted - from wilderness retreats to heritage country mansions or an intimate city boutique hotel with romantic gardens. Best of all, you'll be staying right where you are wed, so there's no hassle about transport or of caterers not turning up. Of course you'll be on time, of course everything will be perfect.

'Boutique Wedding' can be planned several ways, and often all three choices are offered in the same destination.

For pre-wedding pampering, Bride-to-Be packages offer a few nights to relax and prepare; modern brides might include their husband to be, to make sure he's in the right place at the right time.

On the wedding day, you can choose to be wed with Maori prayers and the sound of birdsong beneath Tane Mahuta, God of the Forest, one of the world's largest living trees. Or perhaps wed at a chic city hotel in Wellington, or in a heritage homestead in Auckland. Or enjoy being Lord and Lady of the Manor, taking over a country mansion or hotel completely, and treating privileged guests to an overnight stay. You can even escape to a Fijian island paradise, be wed on the sands of a lagoon and then stay on to honeymoon.

Find the incomparable choice of city, country and island destinations on www.navigateoceania.com/wedding.php. Navigate Oceania 'Boutique Wedding' choices mean your wedding will be in the hands of professionals, who really will make dreams come true, by tailoring the day to you. It's what they do, every day of the year.

For more information on participating properties inclusions or for graphics contact Karine Thomas, Director Navigate Oceania ++64 9 307 3633, or email karine@navigateoceania.com or visit our website on www.navigateoceania.com/wedding.php.

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Editors Notes:

- **The Navigate Oceania Collection** of 28 inspired destinations and unique experiences from New Zealand and Fiji's finest boutique hotels and luxury lodges, an exclusive private island, villas, spa destinations, a luxury expedition-style cruise, and a private motor yacht. Our members are: New Zealand Cavalli Island Retreat and Spa, Cavalli Islands; Paihia Beach Resort and Spa, Bay of Islands; Bay of Island Lodge, Bay of Islands; Oceanic Discoverer; Mission Hills, Bay of Islands; Paihia Beach Resort & Spa, Bay of Islands; Waipoua Lodge, Waipoua Forest; Takatu Lodge & Vineyard, Matakana, The Boatshed, Waiheke Island; Stafford Villa, Auckland; Cotter House, Auckland; Seafields, Whitford; Maungatautari Lodge, Cambridge; Hamurana Lodge, Rotorua; Kawaha Point Lodge, Rotorua; Treetops Lodge & Wilderness Experience, Rotorua; Chalet Eiger, Lake Taupo; Greenhill Lodge, Hawke's Bay; The Millar Road Family, Hawke's Bay; Wharekauhau Country Estate, Martinborough; The Bolton Hotel, Wellington; Ohtel, Wellington; Edenhouse, Nelson; Claremont Country Estate, Canterbury; Huntley House, Christchurch; Elm Tree House, Christchurch; Wapiti Park Homestead, West Coast; Takaro Spa Retreat, Te Anau; Fiji Navutu Stars Resort, Yasawas; Royal Davui Island. For more information on our experiences, visit www.navigateoceania.com

A Selection of Boutique Weddings, Bride-to-Be and Honeymoon Packages:

- **Waipoua Lodge, Waipoua Forest | Wilderness Sanctuary Wedding Package**
Waipoua Lodge is located in a magnificent wilderness sanctuary that overlooks the 9,600 hectare Waipoua Forest. The Lodge comfortably accommodates a wedding party of up to ten persons including the bride and groom, all staying at the lodge overnight. A specially romantic and spiritual option for a supplement is an open-air ceremony under the canopy of nature and before Tane Mahuta, God of the Forest, one of the world's largest living trees; this includes welcomes and prayers by the world-famous Footprints Waipoua Maori Guides. Or your afternoon (after 12 noon) ceremony can be in the Lodge or its gardens. One night's accommodation, breakfast the next morning, canapés for guests while photographs are being taken, three course dinner, chocolates, cheeseboard and coffees to follow. Complimentary additional night for the bride and groom - so you can relax and enjoy the lodge when your guests have departed. Price: starting from NZ\$5480.00 (four persons).
- **Royal Davui Island, Fiji | South Pacific Beach Wedding Package**
Voted most Romantic Island Hideaway in the South Pacific, Caribbean and Atlantic by Condé Nast for two years running, Royal Davui is the ideal location for your special day. Celebrate your wedding with a beach twist in the magic of the South Pacific. A Fijian Methodist Minister or local Justice of the Peace conducts the ceremony on the beach. Choice of wedding site, floral decorations, marriage license, orchid bouquet, celebrant, flower girl in traditional dress, two 50 minute beach massages, Fijian choir and a candle lit champagne dinner. Wedding extras (charges apply): Wedding cake, button hole spray, hair and make-up. Price: USD\$1520.00 inclusive of VAT (12.5%) and Hotel Turn Over TAX (5%).
- **Takatu Lodge & Vineyard, Matakana | Bride-to-Be Vineyard Package**
Immerse yourself in sheer indulgence for two nights, staying on a working vineyard whilst enjoying the highest standards of elegance and comfort. Subtle lighting and candles throughout ensure a warm, inviting ambience. Relax in your own double bath filled with pure rainwater, surrounded by candles and infused with soothing bath salts, or enjoy the separate walk-in heated-floor marble shower. Two night's luxury accommodation, a chilled bottle of Veuve Clicquot or Monet & Chandon awaits your arrival, antipasti dish, a sumptuous three course breakfast for two is served each morning in the privacy of your suite/terrace, organic chocolates, organic juice & chilled sparkling mineral water. Price: NZ\$1210.00 per couple per night inclusive GST.

- **Cotter House, Auckland | Bride-to-Be Indulgence Package**
Experience a warm welcome at Cotter House and feel pampered in the wonderful heritage surroundings. Cotter House is a delightful city boutique lodge where you can indulge and unwind in the luxury of times gone by. Filled with impressive period works of art and antiques, the house offers an ideal setting to prepare for your wedding - perfect for fairytale honeymoons too. One night's luxury accommodation, delightful formal silver High Tea served on arrival, bottle of Champagne with a selection of antipasto hors d'oeuvres, fresh flowers and fruit bowl, special Cotter House sweet treats and petit's fours, aromatherapy bath bombs and fragrances, incense and candles, evening turndown service, a very special 4 course gourmet breakfast/brunch for Bride and two bridesmaids. Price: NZ\$675.00 inclusive GST.
- **Seafields, Auckland | Bride-to-Be Pavilion Package**
Brides, can you think of a better way to start your wedding celebrations than to spend the night before your wedding with a special friend, in pampered luxury? Invite your bridesmaids to help you prepare for that special day. Luxuriate in your own private infinity spa bath with captivating views of the Hauraki Gulf. Unwind with a soothing massage; other treatments by arrangement, include body scrub with hot oil body wrap, facial or pedicure. The pampering options are endless, the choice is yours. The magnificent setting offers special opportunities for pre-wedding photos. One night's accommodation in the Pavilion, sumptuous breakfast for two served in the dining room, bottle of bubbles, chocolate platter, fruit bowl, massage, turndown service and Seafields to Auckland International Airport Transfer. Price: NZ\$1050.00 per night (two people).
- **Kawaha Point Lodge, Rotorua | Lakeside Honeymoon Package**
Kawaha is a beautifully appointed and award winning luxury lodge. Elegantly set on the edge of the magnificent Lake Rotorua it features a gourmet restaurant specialising in local foods and wine. Two night's luxurious accommodation, First night: includes dinner at the lodge with a bottle of wine of your choice, Second night: includes bed and breakfast and the chance to go to a Maori Hangi dinner, with complimentary tickets to a concert at Mitai, complimentary helicopter flight over Mt Tarawera and includes landing at Hell's Gate and a tour of the Geothermal Park. Price: NZ\$2300.00 inclusive GST.
- **Ohtel, Wellington | Wellington City Honeymoon Package**
The beginning of the rest of your life in style at Ohtel. Start with a sumptuous suite with a balcony and views over the harbour and Wellington city light, add a chocolate Galliano fondue for two & a bottle of Daniel Le Brun NV, finish with an in-room gourmet cooked breakfast for two and late 1:00pm check-out. Price: NZ\$465.00 inclusive GST.
- **Elm Tree House, Christchurch | Heritage Honeymoon Wrap**
Elm Tree House, located in Christchurch in the South Island of New Zealand, is an elegant, 1920's Historic Places Trust home offering hosted bed & breakfast accommodation. One night's luxury accommodation, High Tea on arrival, wine and cheese at 6:30pm, fresh flowers in the suite, complimentary handmade chocolates and a bottle of wine, continental breakfast in your room the next morning, 15% discount voucher for local top Restaurant JDV, NZ\$20.00 duty free voucher and late check-out of 1:00pm. Price: NZ\$450.00 per couple per night inclusive GST.