cornwall park



location the grotto

We have two locations available for wedding ceremonies in Cornwall Park, the Kauri Steps and the Grotto. Both are chosen for their ambience, nature and relative privacy from other park users.

The Grotto is a small patch of native bush, originally planted in 1997 with further plantings in 2005. Surrounding the Grotto is a large grassed lawn area that is perfect for ceremonies. The location is close to public toilets and parking.







location kauri steps

The Kauri Steps are a stone stairwell that leads down from Michael Horton Drive to the park's largest kauri grove. Being down from the road, the area is sheltered and quiet compared to other areas of the park. There is a path that goes from these steps, through the grove, and down to Twin Oak Drive. You can choose anywhere within this location for your ceremony, however we ask that you do not cross the roped area around the kauri grove which is there to help with kauri dieback prevention. This area is close to the Bistro, where there is parking and public toilets.







planning

- Cornwall Park is a public space, open to everyone to enjoy. This means, we are unable to provide an exclusive or private experience. There might be people in the same area as your wedding on the day, they may even stop, watch, and celebrate from afar with you!
- > The park changes throughout the seasons, so it is a good idea to visit to get an idea of the locations and how they look at the time of year you are planning your wedding ceremony.
- If you are planning for a weekday wedding ceremony before 4pm, please note that our ground staff may be working in the area on the day. Thursdays are our mowing day and can be noisy.
- > We have no wet weather options available in the park, so it is a good idea to have an alternative venue up your sleeve.
- > The park closing times change with the seasons, early in winter and later in summer.

Park opening times

November - February: 7am-9pm March & October: 7am-8pm April, May & September: 7am-7pm June- August: 7am-6pm



our guidelines

Take a look at our guidelines to see if Cornwall Park is the best location for your ceremony.

- Wedding ceremonies can be applied for no more than a year in advance.
- Ceremony time is 2 hours (including set-up and packdown).
- > Maximum 100 people (including the wedding party).
- > \$300 fee (non refundable).
- You are permitted 1 x gazebo (maximum 3m x 3m).
 Ground pegs are prohibited as they are a health and safety issue, so please use weights or sandbags instead.
- Music can be played at a low level on a small portable speaker. No sound systems permitted.
- > Max 20 chairs and 2 x trestle tables.
- Light/free-standing decorations are permitted. Please do not tie/staple any decorations to trees or put anything into the ground.
- Commercial caterers or food trucks not allowed in the park.
- > No paper or rice confetti. Rose petals are allowed, but please pick them up after the ceremony.
- > There is no vehicle access to either wedding ceremony site. Bridal parties must walk to the site and any equipment must be carried.
- > Buses can be permitted with prior approval.
- > Music can be played at a low level on a small portable speaker. No sound systems permitted.



next steps

- > To register a wedding at Cornwall Park, head to our website www.cornwallpark.co.nz. Scroll to the bottom of the home page and you will see a link called 'Wedding Enquiries'. This takes you to our online form and guidelines.
- > Once you have completed your wedding registration one of the Huia Lodge Discovery Hub staff members will be in touch via email within 48 hours with any questions.
- Once the wedding is confirmed you will receive our bank details and options on how to pay the \$300 nonrefundable wedding fee.
- > When the fee is paid, you will be sent a wedding ceremony permit giving you permission to have your wedding at Cornwall Park. This doesn't need to be brought with you on the day, it is for your records only.

Reception locations

While Cornwall Park makes a lovely location for your ceremony, we do not have a location for receptions. But there are two great locations not too far away!

Cornwall Park Bistro

The Bistro (next to Huia Lodge Discovery Hub) is a privately owned business inside the park, and is a special spot for receptions, catering for both small and large groups. info@cornwallparkeateries.com 09 630 2888

Sorrento in the Park

Sorrento in the Park is a functions/events venue in One Tree Hill Domain which provides wedding reception services for large groups. functions@sorrento.co.nz 09 625 1122



- Campbell Statue/Fountain 1
- **Rangitoto Steps** 2
- 3 Exercise Equipment
- **Band Rotunda** 4
- Belvedere & Pergola 5
- 6 Poplar Steps
- 7 Native Arboretum 8 Acacia Cottage

- 9 Memorial Steps
- 10 Kauri Steps
- 11 Folly 12 Grotto
- Sir John's Burial Site 'Obelisk'
- (i) Discovery Hub 'Huia Lodge'
- Bistro/Creamery
- Park Cafe

- Gardens **n**nn Public Toilets
- 🖏 Disabled Access ŝ **Pedestrian Access**
- $\Diamond~$ Drinking Fountains
- BBQ Areas

- **O**fibrillator
- Pedestrian only area
- Vehicle access for The Grotto and parking options
- Vehicle access for The Kauri Steps and parking options
- P Parking
 - B Bus Stop