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Say 'I Do'

ibiza

When we were invited to spend a few days on the island of Ibiza to see what it had to offer brides, we had no idea what to expect. Wow - were we in for a surprise?

What we found was a stunningly beautiful island, incredibly friendly people and some truly amazing venues.

So, if you are considering a destination wedding, but don't want to travel half way around the world, read on ... Ibiza could be just the place for you to say 'I Do'



There has been a lot written about the Balearic island of Ibiza over the years and much of it has centred around its somewhat colourful nightlife which, you could be forgiven for thinking, is what the island is all about. How wrong could you be? Ibiza is a stunningly beautiful island of contrasting landscapes, superb beaches, wonderful people and amazing hotels and restaurants serving an array of truly delicious cuisine. It is also a fabulous place to get married.

As you would expect, the climate in Ibiza is heavenly, although it has to be said that temperatures can soar during July and August, which could make life a little uncomfortable for the well-dressed bride and groom! This is also the busiest time of the year for holidaymakers, so if you are tempted by the thought of an Ibizan wedding, you would do well to consider February to June or September to November when the island is less busy and the weather is delightfully warm.

The flight from the UK takes a little over 2 hours making it massively accessible and as your plane makes its final approach, you get your first glimpse of the real Ibiza and it is lovely. A sparkling white island set against the brilliant azure of the mediterranean sea, Ibiza is an island of dreams waiting to come true.

You will be spoilt for choice as far as venues are concerned and the variety of styles and locations is mind-boggling. From beautiful beach settings to gorgeous country retreats, there is something to suit every preference and budget. Of course, if partying is your thing, then say no more - just hit the streets of San Antonio or Ibiza Town and you'll find enough clubs and bars to keep you dancing 'til dawn. But if you're looking for romance, charm and sophistication yet still with a fun vibe, then venture further afield and prepare to be amazed at the beauty, friendliness and warm welcome you will find at every turn.

In January and February, the island is covered with Almond Blossom - an almost unbelievably magical sight and a perfect backdrop for the most romantic wedding. But this is an island that is simply beautiful all year round. Its coastline is stunning with hundreds of secluded coves and lovely beaches and its countryside is dramatic and awe-inspiring, making it an easy place to fall in love with.

It's an island of a hundred 'wish you were here' postcards and as a wedding destination, it certainly has a lot going for it.



Let's Get This Party Started ...



Organising your wedding on Ibiza is simple, thanks to Ma Chérie Weddings, one of the leading wedding planning companies on the island. It is also the only one with offices in the UK, which allows them to offer a highly professional and personal service to their clients. Managing Director and owner of Ma Chérie, Alexandra Sixt, has organised a large number of weddings and together with her Assistant, Marcella Koronna, they have the expert knowledge and experience to deliver a unique and totally bespoke wedding for every couple they work with.

The team have a fresh and innovative approach to organising weddings and will work closely with each couple to ensure that every aspect of your wedding is perfect. By getting to know you, they can offer the right suggestions, ideas and guidance and you will get the memorable wedding you have always dreamed of.



Marcella told Cornish Brides: *"Meticulous planning and project management, together with attention to every detail is what makes a Ma Chérie wedding so very special. Our objective is to make a bride and groom happy and anything less than perfect will not do. We can help with the organisation and planning of every single aspect of a wedding including accommodation for the couple and their guests, flowers, cake, transport and catering."*

For her part, Alexandra is proud of the reputation her company has and as an internationally renowned wedding planner, her standards are incredibly high. *"We work with clients from across Europe and, in particular, the UK and our service is very much tailored to each couple's individual personality,"* she told us. *"We deliver a range of eclectic and bohemian weddings that are so suited to this beautiful island, but we can also create more traditional and bespoke ceremonies that allow our couples to express their love for each other in the presence of their closest family and friends."*

With over thirty years of combined wedding planning and events experience, Alexandra and Marcella have organised more than 150 weddings since 2009 and it is no surprise at all that their diaries are filling up fast as more couples come to the realisation that a magical Ibizan wedding is top of their wish list.

www.macherie-weddings-ibiza.com



PURA VIDA BEACH CLUB

Pura Vida is a stunning beachside venue, which is perfect for private and intimate weddings. This amazing restaurant and bar is set right on the beach with the sea lapping gently on the shore. It's chic and stylish and the team here are used to organising weddings, so they can help you every step of the way, including bespoke menus, drinks packages and fabulous entertainment. Your guests can enjoy cocktails at the outdoor bar, before stepping onto the beach for the ceremony and then join you for a wonderful meal and a party under the stars as you celebrate into the night ... Ibiza style!

Pura Vida Beach Club is situated on the south-eastern side of Ibiza, just outside the lovely town of Santa Eulalia del Rio.

www.puravida-ibiza.com



ME IBIZA



There are a massive number of hotels on Ibiza, so you will never have a problem finding the right accommodation for you and your guests. But if you are looking for something utterly amazing, then the ME Ibiza is hard to beat. Meliá Hotels International were founded in Palma de Mallorca in 1956 and are now one of the largest hotel groups in the world and the largest in Spain. The company operates more than 350 hotels in 35 countries under its various brand names, including ME by Meliá.

The ME Ibiza is a sophisticated beachside retreat located in a secluded bay with spectacular views offering its guests the ultimate in luxury, style and service. The hotel boasts 179 bedrooms and 26 deluxe suites - all designed and decorated in true Ibiza style reflecting the boho-chic ambience of this amazing venue. The welcome you receive when you arrive is wonderful and the attentive service continues throughout your stay. The cool interior leads straight out onto the terrace where you can chill on a bali bed around the pool or lounge in a rocking sofa as you watch the world go by and slowly unwind. The poolside restaurant offers a range of delicious international cuisine and the truly stunning rooftop terrace offers the ultimate in luxurious relaxation. Recline with a cocktail as you watch the sun go down or swim in the amazing infinity pool before enjoying dinner and a 360° panoramic view of Ibiza. Daily DJs ensure an upbeat vibe around the pool and on the roof terrace, so you can enjoy the true essence of Ibiza throughout the day and into the night.

Also on the roof terrace, you can really indulge with a visit to the contemporary SkinC Spa where you can choose from a range of treatments - carried out in the most amazing location with views that are literally out of this world.

Weddings at ME Ibiza are totally unique and the team really will pull out all the stops with personal attention and an amazing array of locations for your celebrations.

A stay at ME Ibiza is about indulgence and luxury. As the only hotel on Ibiza to be a member of the Leading Hotels of the World, this is a hotel designed for relaxation and play in opulent surroundings where nothing is too much trouble and where life really is all about ME!

www.melia.com/ME-Ibiza





COTTON BEACH CLUB

Situated in Cala Tarida on the south-west coast of Ibiza, Cotton Beach Club is the all-new stylish destination that everyone is talking about. Perched just 25 meters above the sandy beach with breathtaking views across the Mediterranean, the Grand Terrace Restaurant offers a fusion lunch menu and an a la carte dinner menu that can be enjoyed while watching a glorious sunset and listening to the resident DJ.

For weddings and special celebrations, Cotton Beach Club provides a magical backdrop and the in-house wedding and event planner is on hand to assist every step of the way, including bespoke styling of the venue.

www.cottonbeachclub.com



ATZARO HOTEL & SPA

Atzaró Ibiza is a truly amazing retreat. Set in the heart of the island on the site of an old orange farm, this exquisitely stylish venue offers one of the most idyllic settings for a romantic wedding in a beautiful natural environment. The extravagant gardens, alive with the most exotic aromas, have been designed to create a tranquil scene that will delight at every turn. The stunning restaurant and outdoor terrace are ideal for wedding breakfasts and the range of services, including full spa treatments, will delight your guests.

If you are looking for a romantic retreat in a stunning countryside setting to exchange your vows, then Atzaró Ibiza would be hard to beat.

www.atzaro.com





CAN LLUC HOTEL

For a truly wonderful venue for your Ibiza wedding, Can Lluç Boutique Hotel would be an ideal choice. Set in magnificent countryside just a short drive from the island's coves and beaches, the views are amazing and the ambience is just delightful. This is a venue that epitomises the very essence of this wonderful island incorporating the peace and tranquility of a rural setting with the services and facilities of a cosmopolitan hotel.

You can choose to celebrate inside the coolly sophisticated interiors or outdoors on the sun-drenched terrace where you can savour the immaculate gardens and views. As the sun sets, this venue transforms into a magical oasis allowing your celebrations to continue into the night.

www.canlluc.com



SES SAVINES BEACH CLUB

Situated at the furthest point of Santa Eulalia del Rio Bay, this stunning beachside restaurant is perfectly positioned for a classy beach wedding. Specialising in mediterranean cuisine and offering both indoor and outdoor areas for dining and celebrating, this is a stylishly laid-back venue.

With a range of menus to choose from, the team at Ses Savines pride themselves on a friendly and professional service, guaranteed to ensure you have the wedding of your dreams in a stunning location.

www.restaurante-sessavines.com







With grateful thanks to Alexandra, Marcella and Nina at Ma Chérie Weddings.
To organise your Ibiza wedding or to find out more about getting married on Ibiza, visit
www.macherie-weddings-ibiza.com

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