



Royal Weddings... that aren't a royal pain!

Ceremony-Only Packages 2014

Looking for an intimate, but memorable wedding ceremony?

Want to get married without a lot of fuss?

Thinking about eloping, but not to one of those tacky Vegas-style Chapels?

If you answered "Yes" to any of these questions, one of our Ceremony Packages might be exactly what you are looking for!

You can choose between three ceremony-only packages depending upon your needs:

"Elopement" Ceremony Package:

Designed for the couple who wants to get married "now". This is our entry level package that provides all the essentials at an affordable rate.

"Premium" Ceremony Package:

This is our most popular ceremony package. It includes everything from our Elopement Package, plus several popular upgrades. Most importantly, it includes a longer rental period allowing you to get dressed and touch up hair & make-up prior to your ceremony.

"Elite All-Inclusive" Ceremony Package:

This is our All-Inclusive ceremony package. It includes everything you will need for an incredible ceremony. This is a great choice if you are including children in your ceremony because we include a rehearsal prior to your ceremony.



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Ceremony-Only Packages - Prices & Amenities

Wondering which package will work best for you? Compare your options:

	“Elopement” Ceremony	“Premium” Ceremony	“Elite All-Inclusive” Ceremony
Weekday (M-Th) Price	\$495	\$695	\$995
Weekends (F-Sa-Su) Price	\$595	\$795	\$1095
Cost for Guests	\$10 Per Guest	\$10 Per Guest	\$10 Per Guest
Time at Castle on Wedding Day	1Hour	1.5 Hours	2.5 Hours
Minister	Yes	Yes	Yes
White Wedding Chairs	Yes	Yes	Yes - Includes Chair Covers
Photography	Yes – 100 Images with copyright release	Yes – 200 Images with copyright release	Yes – 300 Images with copyright release
Music for Ceremony	No	Yes – Includes custom music & technician	Yes- Includes custom music & technician
Rehearsal	No	No	Yes
Bride’s Walkway & Gazebo Décor	No	No	Yes- Silk Flowers on Walkway & Tulle on Gazebo
Private Consultation with Planner	No	No	Yes- Includes two hours of planning with Wedding Planner
Deposit Required to book your wedding	\$250	\$250	\$250
10% Discount for active Military, Law Enforcement, Fire, and Teachers	Yes	Yes	Yes
Stress-Free Wedding	YES !	YES !!	YES !!!

Availability: Ceremonies are available 365 days a year, by appointment.

On Saturdays, Ceremonies are typically held before noon.



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Upgrades

Unity Sand Ceremony \$50:

A contemporary version of the traditional Unity Sand Ceremony. Using colored sand instead of candles, this is also a great way to involve young children in the ceremony. And, it is a wonderful keepsake of your wedding day.

Additional Photos Upgrade: \$100

Are photos important to you? Ask how we can upgrade our wedding package to include 100 additional images for a flat fee of \$100. All our photo packages provide you with a copyright release (meaning you own the images) allowing you to make as many prints as you desire!

Video Slideshow: \$250

We will take your best images and put them to music in a video slideshow that will capture your wedding day. This is a great keepsake and a great way for you to share our wedding on YouTube, Facebook and other social media sites!

Lodging: We have partnered with several lodging partners to provide luxury accommodations for our wedding couples and their guests. See a special Lodging page under our "Resources" tab on our website for details.

Flowers: Need a bouquet or other flowers for your ceremony? We have two local florists we can recommend. Ask for details.

Hair & Make-Up: Need to have your hair and make-up done before the wedding? We have two local salons we can recommend. Ask for details.

Restaurants: Going out to eat after the ceremony? We can recommend several options in Dhlonega depending upon your tastes and budget. See a special "Restaurants" page under our "Resources" tab on our website for details.



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“Ok, we love your Ceremony Packages... So, how do we book our wedding?”

It's easy!

- **The first step is to give us a call at 404-983-0900** and let us answer all your questions. Most ceremony packages are booked over the telephone. You can also reserve your wedding via our website's online store.
- Some couples prefer to schedule a visit to Cavender Castle prior to booking their wedding. If this describes you, please call 404-983-0900. We will set aside time to show you our venue and provide you with a complimentary consultation about your wedding. We will answer all your questions and help you select the package that best fits your vision for your wedding. Even if you decide not to have your wedding with us you will pick up lots of valuable ideas from this **FREE** consultation.
- Next you would put down your deposit and reserve your date. All ceremonies can be reserved with a \$250 deposit.
- You will have 72 hours after you book your wedding to change your mind and get a full refund of your deposit. After this 72 hour waiting period your deposit becomes non-refundable should you cancel your wedding for any reason.
- Next we will give you access to our Online Planner and send you a collection of wedding vows for your review.
- Ten days prior to your wedding, we will request a final commitment on the number of guests you expect. A final invoice will be prepared and along with a summary of all payments made to your account. Your remaining balance is due one week prior to your wedding.



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Frequently Asked Questions:

Q: How many guests can you handle at Cavender Castle?

A: Although we can accommodate many more for an outdoor wedding, we typically limit ourselves to weddings of up to 125 guests. This allows us to provide an indoor back-up plan in the event of poor weather.

Q: Why are your prices higher than some of the other Chapels we have seen?

A: Unlike a typical wedding chapel, Cavender Castle is a full service wedding venue where we also conduct expensive, large weddings. We strive to provide you with the same professional, friendly experience for your ceremony that you would expect if you were having a large, expensive wedding. We are not the cheapest... but we are worth every penny!

Q: Where are your Ceremonies held?

A: Most take place outdoors at our Old World Gazebo. However, we also offer an indoor chapel for wintertime weddings and as a back-up for bad weather.

Q: How do we pick our ceremony site?

A: You can make your decision upon arrival the day of the wedding

Q: How many weddings do you do at the same time?

A: We only book one wedding at a time, but often conduct more than one wedding per day. If we have multiple weddings booked on the same day we schedule ample time between each wedding so there is no overlap and you are not rushed.

Q: I see that you charge \$10 per guest... but I am not sure how many people will show up. How does that work?

A: We do need a final headcount ten days prior to your wedding to make sure we have our facility and staff properly prepared for your wedding. Infants under age three are free.

Q: If I think ten guests are coming, but only eight attend, can I get a refund?

A: We apologize, but we cannot provide a refund for no-shows.



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Q: Do you have lodging accommodations?

A: No. However, Dahlonga offers an abundance of lodging choices just a few minutes from our venue. See our website for additional details and special rates available to our guests.

Q: Who is your minister?

A: Cavender Castle co-owner Rick Durham is an ordained minister and conducts most of our intimate ceremonies.

Q: Can we write our own vows?

A: Absolutely! We can also make the process really easy for you by providing you with sample ceremonies prior to your wedding day. You can use these ceremonies as written, or you can cut and paste a custom ceremony that captures the essence of your wedding. Your minister will review the ceremony prior to your wedding day to make suggestions, if needed.

Q: Your packages include photo “images” and a “copyright release”. How does that work?

A: One of our house photographers will shoot photos of your ceremony using professional equipment. After the ceremony, you will receive a thumb drive that contains all the digital images that were taken along with a copyright release. This allows you to take your images to any photo processor and print as many photos, and sizes, as you wish. This is much less costly than paying “photographer prices”. In fact many of our brides have said that the photos they received were worth the entire cost of their ceremony!

Q: Do you have dressing areas at Cavender Castle?

A: Yes, our venue offers both a Brides Suite, and a Groom’s Suite

Q: Can we show up early to get dressed and touch up hair & make-up?

A: That depends upon the package you select:

- The Elopement Package offers one hour at The Castle. This is our starter package where we encourage you to arrive dressed and ready to do the ceremony. That way we can use the entire hour for your ceremony and photos.
- The Premium Package offers ninety minutes at The Castle. With this package you can arrive 30 minutes prior to ceremony time to get dressed and touch up your hair and make-up.
- The all-inclusive Elite Package provides two and a half hours at The Castle. With this package you can arrive ninety minutes prior to your ceremony. We will start with a 30 minute Rehearsal and then give you an hour to get ready. This package is really popular if you will have a large bridal party, or children participating in your ceremony.



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Q: Will music be played during our ceremony?

A: That depends upon the package you select:

- We do not offer music with our Elopement Package. Usually these ceremonies are done with just the bride and groom and music is not required.
- With both the Premium and Elite packages we do provide a sound system and sound technician to operate the music during your ceremony.

Q: Can I select the music that will be played during my ceremony?

A: Yes! We have a huge library of house music that you can choose from. We will also make suggestions to you of some of our favorites. You can also have a special song played even if it is not in our library. We ask that you send us an MP3 or CD of your track at least 24 hours prior to the wedding so that we can process it into our database and have it ready to play for your ceremony.

Q: Do we need a Rehearsal?

A: Not with our Elopement and Premium Packages. Those weddings tend to be small and very simple. Our staff will be right by your side at the key moments to help you along and make sure things go smoothly. We do include a 30 minute Rehearsal with the Elite Package as these weddings tend to be more elaborate events with larger wedding parties, flower girls, and ring bearers. If you will have small children participating, the Rehearsal that comes with the Elite Package is money well spent.

Q: Do you provide decorations?

A: Cavender Castle offers wonderful ambiance where additional décor is not normally required. However, with our Elite Package we do provide a little something extra by providing silk flower arrangements for the bride's walkway and tulle on the Gazebo. The Elite Package also includes white chair covers for you ceremony.

Q: How will I plan my wedding?

A: All our Ceremony Packages are fairly simple to plan and this can normally be done over the phone and with our online planner. Our Elite ceremonies tend to be larger weddings so we do provide a 60 minute planning session with your wedding planner to make sure everything is perfect.

Q: Do you offer any Discounts?

A: Yes! We are proud to support active duty military, law enforcement, fire fighters, teachers, and educational personnel with a 10% discount on all our packages.



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Q: When are your Ceremonies scheduled?

Generally speaking we do weddings 365 days a year, by appointment. Typically, we reserve Saturday mornings for our ceremony-only packages leaving the later time slots available to larger weddings. Please call 404-983-0900 to check availability.

Q: Can we come and see Cavender Castle?

A: Absolutely! We offer tours and free consultations by appointment. Please call 404-983-0900 to schedule your visit with us.

Q: We live out of state and visiting will be difficult. Is a visit required?

A: No, not really. All our Ceremony Packages are fairly simple to plan. Our grounds and facility are gorgeous and we are not like those “tacky-cheesy” wedding chapels you may have heard about. Over half of our ceremony-only couples see Cavender Castle for the first time on the day of their wedding.

Q: How do we reserve our wedding?

A: Just pick up the phone and give us a call at 404-983-0900. We can take your information and deposit over the phone.

Q: How much is the deposit?

A: We require \$250 to reserve your date.

Q: What happens if we later cancel our wedding?

A: If you cancel your wedding within 72 hours of booking your wedding, you will receive all of your money back. If you cancel the wedding after the 72 hour waiting period, you would lose your deposit.

Q: When is the balance of my wedding due?

A: With all Ceremony Packages, we will get your final headcount ten days prior to your wedding and prepare your final invoice. The balance will be due seven days prior to your wedding.