

Determining if a destination wedding is for you



When the time comes to walk down the aisle, more and more couples are choosing to make the procession in a far-off land. Destination weddings are on the rise, with researchers at TheKnot.com reporting that roughly one in four couples who tied the knot in 2011 chose to have a destination wedding.

Destination weddings may appear to be an ideal way to tie the knot, but couples should know that planning such a ceremony may be even more difficult than planning a more traditional affair. Couples who choose to have a destination wedding must be ready to put a significant amount of faith in a wedding planner, who is often affiliated with the resort where the couple will be

staying. Though the wedding planner may handle many of the details concerning the ceremony and the reception, couples should know that some of that planning

will still fall on their shoulders as well. That planning may not be so simple, so before couples spread the word about their island wedding, it's best to consider a few factors to determine if a

destination wedding is truly the best way to go.

* *Guests:* How many guests a couple hopes to invite is a great starting point when determining if a destination wedding is for you. Many couples who choose to have a destination wedding do so because they prefer a more intimate ceremony. Destination weddings are obviously more expensive for guests than a more traditional ceremony, so many guests won't be able to afford to attend. Couples who intend to invite many guests might want to avoid a destination wedding.

* *Locale:* The destination for your destination



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