

A romantic scene of a bride and groom kissing on a grassy cliff overlooking the ocean at sunset. The bride is wearing a long, flowing white gown, and the groom is in a light blue shirt and grey trousers. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm, golden glow over the water and sky. The foreground is a lush green lawn with some coastal plants.

weddings  
*to remember*

~ accommodation ~ weddings ~ conferences ~ restaurant ~ adventures ~ day spa ~ glam camping ~ retreats ~

# Congratulations on your engagement!

*Now let the planning begin...*

Located just 70km from Auckland's CBD and airports, Castaways Resort is a unique and memorable coastal cliff top location with ocean-front, panoramic views providing a fantastic backdrop for your wedding day.

At Castaways Resort we pride ourselves on:

- Exceptional service from a highly experienced and committed team
- Delicious cuisine and the ability to tailor wedding menus to suit your tastes
- A dedicated event catering team and kitchen
- Competitively priced beverages
- Fabulous resort facilities including:
  - Accommodation for up to 80 guests
  - Onsite Restaurant
  - Day Spa

*“Castaways Resort specialises as a ceremony and reception venue for weddings of 40-120 people.”*





## Fantastic onsite facilities

### Events & Function Centre

Situated on our gorgeous ocean front cliff top, our Events & Function Centre is where we host all of our wonderful weddings. We have the capacity to host small wedding parties such as 40 guests right up to larger guest lists of 120. *(Please discuss with our team if your numbers are outside of these requirements).*

Enjoy your wedding ceremony on our stunning cliff top lawn with panoramic ocean views stretching out across the mighty Tasman Sea. In case of a rainy day, our glass enclosed viewing deck offers those same stunning views whilst providing full shelter for you and your guests.

A dedicated functions kitchen means our talented team of chefs are working exclusively to deliver your menu without any competing pressures.

### Ocean View Accommodation

With accommodation for up to 80 guests onsite, you can take your time with your preparations because you are already here! All accommodation features private decks, the ability to sleep couples or singles and our

famous ocean views. Bed & Breakfast Packages are ideal for your guests and can be booked easily online.

### Bersantai Day Spa

Located at the top of our property, Bersantai Day Spa at Castaways Resort is a gorgeous destination day spa. Bersantai Day Spa features therapeutic, relaxing and hot stone massage treatments, beauty treatments including facials, tints, manicures and pedicures and indulgent Outdoor Stone Bath experiences.

Popular also as a destination for pre-wedding planning sessions as well as day before/after pampering, be sure to include indulgences from Bersantai Day Spa in your wonderful wedding experience - you deserve it.

### Castaways Resort Adventures

Onsite activities including archery, clay target shooting, blokarting, volleyball, airsoft pistol shooting, frisbee golf, combat arrow tag and 4WD lessons can be booked through our reservations team and are a great way for wedding parties to burn off some nervous energy on the morning of the wedding. Advance bookings are required.

### Agavé Restaurant

Our award winning onsite restaurant Agavé is the perfect spot for welcome dinners the night before your wedding and relaxing morning after breakfasts where you and your guests can reminisce together about your lovely wedding. Stonegrill dining experiences and afternoon dining options are also available. Agavé is very popular, so please book early.

### For Your Gift Registry

Gift vouchers for Castaways Resort experiences make very popular wedding gifts. Let your guests know which Castaways Resort experiences are on your wish list and they can talk directly with our Reservations Team to arrange a gift voucher:

- Glam Camping Packages
- Bersantai Day Spa Experiences
- Agavé Restaurant Dining Vouchers
- Escape Packages

# Wedding Experiences

## *Ceremony & Reception*

Most couples marrying at Castaways Resort take advantage of the resort setting and enjoy both their wedding ceremony and wedding reception onsite. This enables a stress free flow through guest arrival, ceremony, canapés and drinks, reception and then accommodation with no need for travel in between ceremony and reception.

## *Reception Only*

Should you wish to host your ceremony offsite, perhaps at a chosen church for example, you are welcome to begin your Castaways Resort wedding experience with post ceremony canapés and drinks on arrival for the reception.

## *Ceremony Only*

If you wish to enjoy just your ceremony at Castaways Resort please speak with our team so that we may provide you with pricing options. Ceremony only options are generally held at midday.



# Venue Hire Inclusions

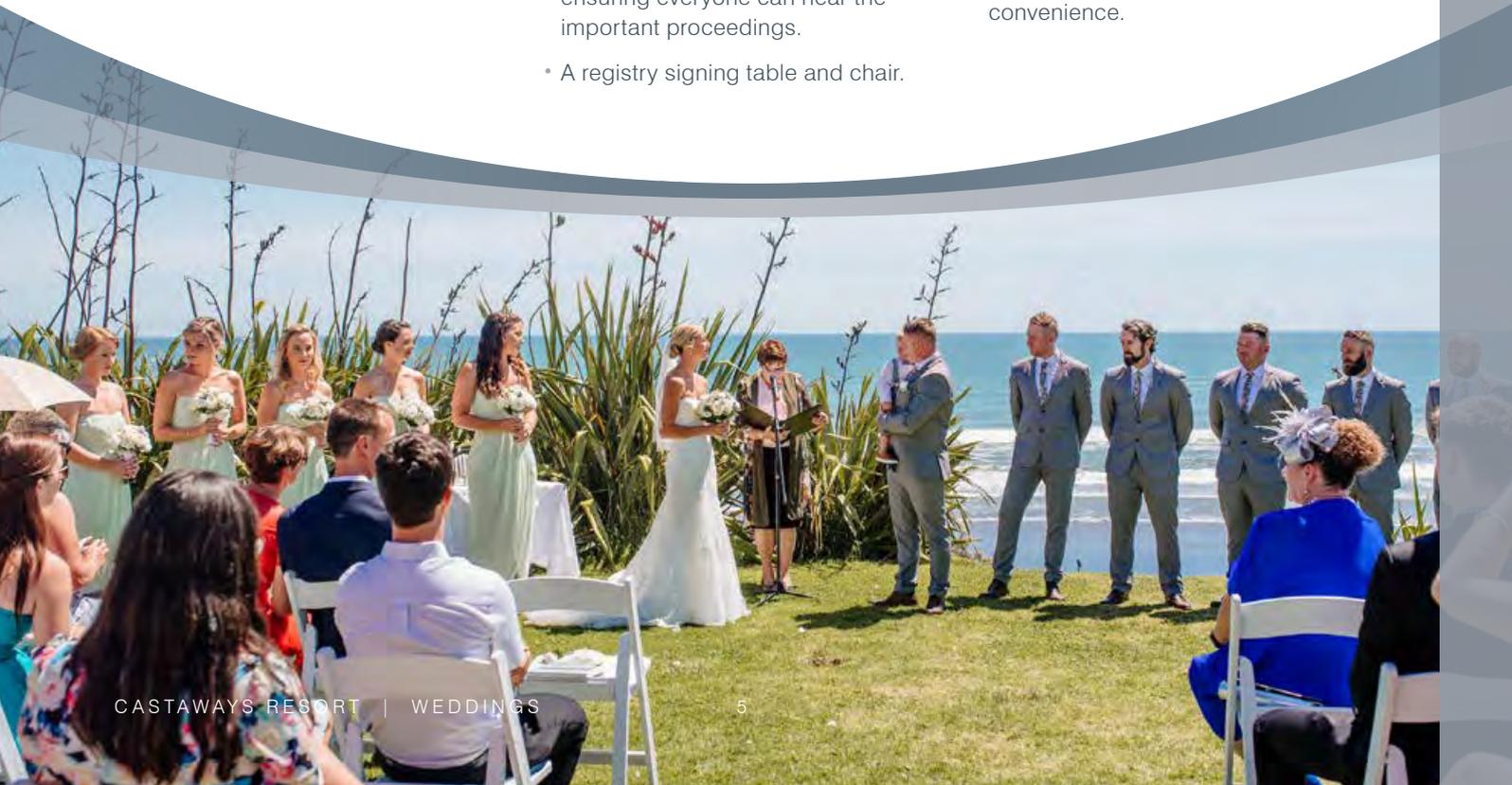
*At Castaways Resort, we're committed to ensuring your wonderful wedding reception is an elegant affair.*

- The assistance of our friendly and experienced wedding team who will provide you with helpful guidance and assistance in the lead up to your fabulous wedding day.
- Excellent service from our highly committed operations team on your wedding day ensuring everyone has a wonderful Castaways Resort experience
- Exclusive use of Castaways Resort's cliff top reception venue. Enjoy spectacular elevated views over the ocean from the viewing deck, regardless of the weather on the day.
- Elegant white ceiling draping of the reception room.
- Our highly experienced, professional and friendly team are here to serve you and your guests throughout the afternoon and evening, providing you with an experience you'll reflect on fondly for years to come.
- Your choice of black or white table linen is also included in your venue hire. Choose which option works best with your desired colour scheme.
- Air conditioned comfort in summer and heat pump warmth in winter make Castaways Resort a great venue for all seasons.
- Our PA system for your ceremony music and background music as well as a microphone for speeches. (Option for you to run your iPod through our sound system - charges apply).
- Complimentary tea and coffee.
- Your choice of table centrepieces from Castaways Resort's house selection.
- Cake table and knife.

# Ceremony Inclusions

*If you're holding your ceremony at Castaways Resort, the following are all included in your ceremony fee:*

- Exclusive use of Castaways Resort's cliff top ceremony point.
- Use of Castaways Resort's glass enclosed deck as an indoor ceremony option in case of a rainy day.
- Twelve ceremony chairs (hire more for an additional charge).
- Complimentary sunscreen is available during summer weddings.
- A PA system for your ceremony ensuring everyone can hear the important proceedings.
- A registry signing table and chair.
- A shade umbrella (weather permitting).
- Ceremony set up by our team
- Beverage service (if requested).
- Indoor bathrooms for guest convenience.



# Pricing Guide

*We've designed the following guide to assist our wedding couples with pricing information.*

## **High Season** (1 December - 31 March)

Fridays and Saturdays

Saturdays minimum spend amount:

\$14,000

Fridays minimum guest numbers:

70 adults

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**Venue hire:**

**\$2,800**

## **Specials Season** (1 April - 30 November)

Fridays and Saturdays

Minimum guest numbers:

70 adults

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**Venue hire:**

**\$2,550**

## **All Year**

Sunday to Thursday

Minimum guest numbers:

40 adults

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**Venue hire:**

**\$1,950**

All prices include GST

### **Public Holidays**

A surcharge of 15% on the final invoice applies to weddings held on public holidays.

A fee of \$700 applies to weddings held the day before a public holiday if the venue is used past 11.30pm

Should you have a smaller guest list than the minimum stipulated above, please speak with our team as we may be able to make a minimum spend arrangement for you.

**All prices are correct at the time/date of publication; however management reserves the right to change prices without prior notice due to market conditions.**

*Please contact our Sales and Events Team for a price estimate.*

# Booking & Payment Process

*We've designed a booking and payment process that our couples tell us is easy to understand and helps them with their budgets. It's as easy as three simple steps:*

# 1

## ***Make a pencil booking***

If you feel Castaways Resort is a great match for your wonderful wedding but just need a bit more time to talk with family etc, then make a pencil booking with our team as soon as possible to ensure your preferred date doesn't get snapped up by another couple!

A pencil booking does not mean you have to book and no money is required.

Pencil bookings can be held for up to 10 days. Should another couple request your date during this time, you will be given 24 hours with first option to confirm.

## ***Confirm your booking***

Ready to get the planning of your wonderful wedding underway? Let's get you booked in! Simply:

- a. sign and return your booking contract
- b. pay your \$2,000 bond and your date will be secure.

# 2

# 3

## ***Final payment***

Once your bond is paid, nothing further is payable until three weeks prior to your wedding date.

*\* Credit card payment is welcome but please note that processing fees of 2.5% for Visa/Mastercard and 4% for AMEX apply to credit card payments.*



## Accommodation at Castaways Resort

*One of the joys of celebrating your wonderful wedding at a venue like Castaways Resort, is the opportunity to simply relax knowing that everything you need is here in the one stunning setting. With onsite accommodation for up to 80 guests and a special Bed & Breakfast rate available for all of your guests staying onsite, it is no surprise that the majority of wedding guests choose to stay at Castaways Resort.*

### ***Wedding Couple Accommodation Packages - just for you...***

We have a variety of accommodation packages specially designed for our wedding couples. Once your wedding is booked at Castaways Resort you are able to book these packages directly with our Reservations team.

### ***Accommodation for your Guests***

Your wedding guests can enjoy our special Wedding Guest Bed & Breakfast Package which includes accommodation plus a cooked breakfast the next day at our award winning cliff top restaurant Agavé. We have rooming options for singles, couples and families.

Be sure to tell your guests about the special rate we have designed for them so that they may save on their accommodation costs.

# Sample Wedding Itinerary

*One of the benefits of marrying at a destination like Castaways Resort, is that you can enjoy a complete wedding experience.*

## The day before your wonderful wedding

### **Afternoon check in at 2pm**

**Bridemaids:** Head off for an afternoon of pampering at Bersantai Day Spa. Located on our highest site, Bersantai Day spa features therapeutic, relaxing massage treatments, beauty treatments including facials, tints, manicures and pedicures and indulgent Outdoor Stone Bath experiences. Advance bookings are essential for all spa treatments.

**Groomsmen:** Enjoy an afternoon activity at Castaways Resort. We offer archery, clay target shooting, volleyball, airsoft pistol shooting, Frisbee golf, combat arrow tag and 4WD lessons onsite as well as blokarting on Karioitahi Beach (tide dependent). Advance bookings are essential for all adventure activities.

### **7pm Dinner at Agavé Restaurant**

Enjoy a welcome dinner the night before your wedding at our award winning onsite restaurant Agavé or self-catered dinner at our outdoor BBQ area.

# 1

## The day of the wedding

Get ready onsite in your 2 Bedroom Chalet

**3.30pm** Guest arrival

**4.00pm** Ceremony

**4.30pm** Bridal party photos – take advantage of our stunning location for a variety of wedding photo backdrops. Guests enjoy delicious canapes and drinks on our cliff top lawn.

**6.30pm** Wedding Reception begins. Enjoy delicious food and celebrate your special day with all your guests.

# 2

## The day after

Reminisce the next day over breakfast with guests at Agavé Restaurant.

Don't leave just yet and enjoy a Castaways Resort Glam Camping Mini Moon before you head back to reality.

# 3



# Menu Selections

*Our Executive Chef has designed a wonderful selection of cuisine options to tantalise your tastebuds.*

Both buffet style dining and set menu dining is available. For more information regarding our menus and samples please contact our team directly.

## Canapé Selections

*Canapés are served for all weddings where both ceremony and reception are held at Castaways Resort. Canapés provide your guests with enjoyable nibbles to savour during your post ceremony mixing and mingling and while the bridal party are off having their photos.*

**Platinum Canapés** | \$21pp

Select 5 hot canapés plus 5 cold canapés

**Diamond Canapés** | \$18pp

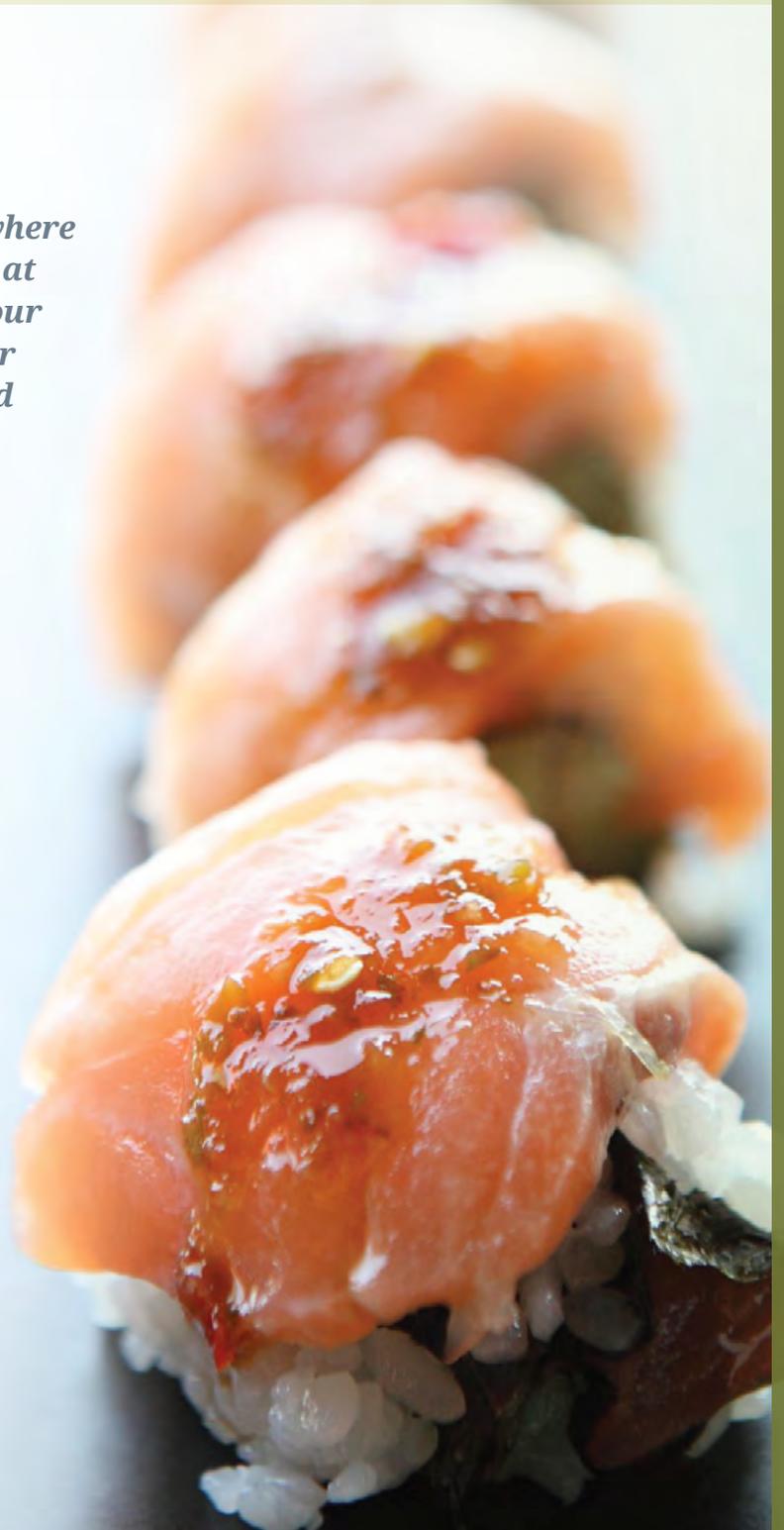
Select 4 hot canapés plus 4 cold canapés

**Gold Canapés** | \$15pp

Select 3 hot canapés plus 3 cold canapés

**Silver Canapés** | \$12pp

Select 2 hot canapés plus 2 cold canapés



# Set Menu Selections

*Enjoy an elegant seated service for dinner.*

## **Platinum Set Menu** | \$96pp

- Breads for the table
- Amuse-bouche  
(chef designed appetiser)
- 2 Entree choices  
(1 chilled + 1 hot)
- 2 Main dish choices
- 2 Dessert choices
- Cheese platter

## **Diamond Set Menu** | \$87pp

- Breads for the table
- Antipasto platters to share
- 2 Main dish choices
- 2 Dessert choices

## **Gold Set Menu** | \$78pp

- Breads for the table
- Entree platters to share
- 2 Main dish choices
- 2 Dessert choices

## **Silver Set Menu** | \$65pp

- Breads for the table
- 1 Set Entree
- 2 Main dish choices
- 1 Set Dessert

\* All dishes are subject to change due to seasonality and availability of ingredients.

## Buffet Menu Selections

*Buffet menus are a popular choice for couples seeking a wide variety of dishes for their guests to enjoy. Select which pricing option best suits your budget and contact our team for buffet menu selections.*

### **Platinum Buffet Menu** | \$89pp

- Breads for the table
- 1 Carvery dish
- 3 Hot Selection dishes
- Seafood Platter
- 4 Salad dishes
- 2 Vegetable dishes
- 3 Dessert dishes

### **Diamond Buffet Menu** | \$79pp

- Breads for the table
- 1 Carvery dish
- 3 Hot Selection dishes
- 4 Salad dishes
- 2 Vegetable dishes
- 3 Dessert dishes

### **Gold Buffet Menu** | \$70pp

- Breads for the table
- 1 Carvery dish
- 2 Hot Selection dishes
- 3 Salad dishes
- 2 Vegetable dishes
- 2 Dessert dishes

### **Silver Buffet Menu** | \$59pp

- Breads for the table
- 1 Carvery dish
- 1 Hot Selection dish
- 2 Salad dishes
- 2 Vegetable dishes
- 1 Dessert dish

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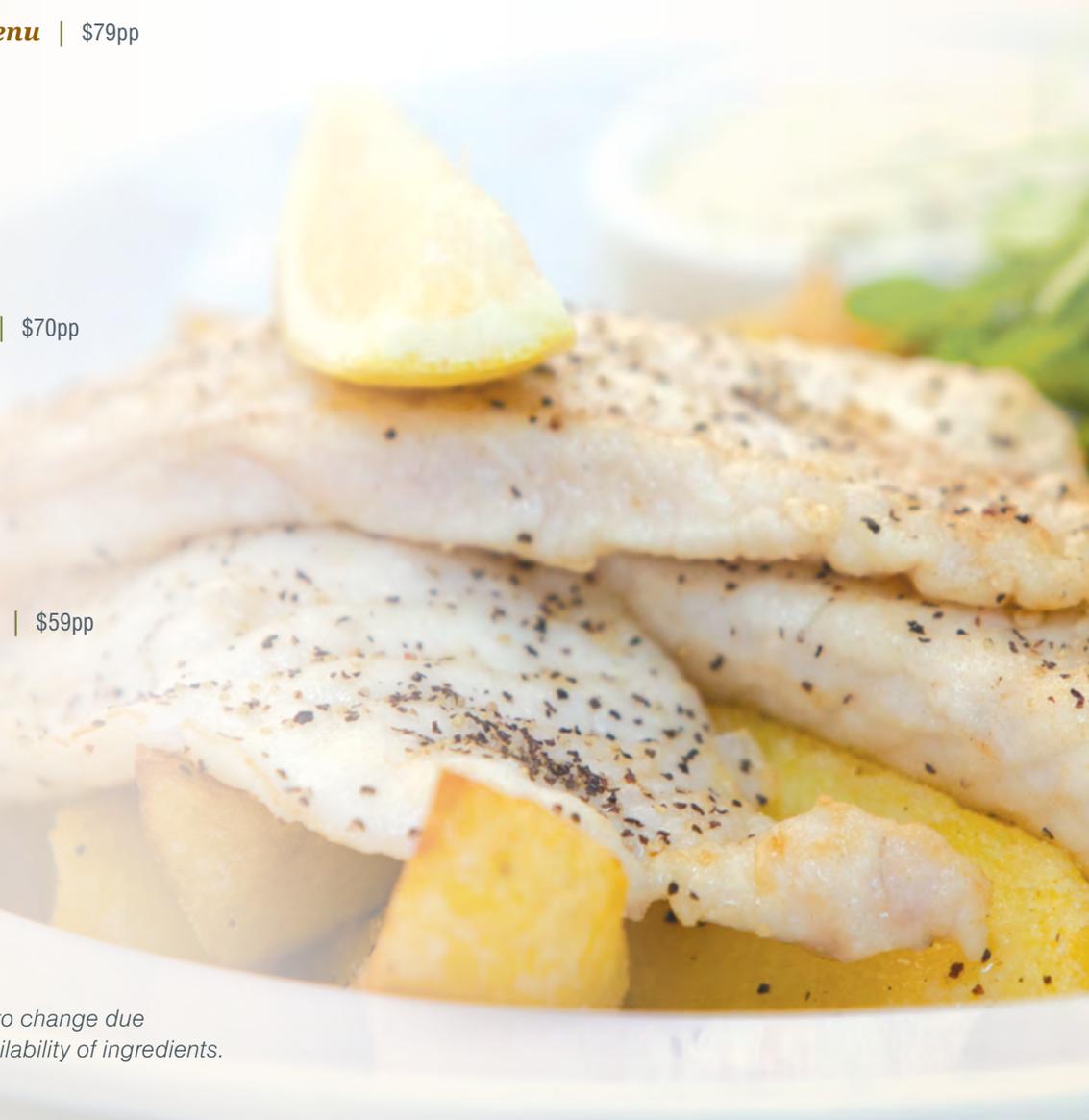
## Gourmet BBQ Buffet Menu Selections

### **Seashell BBQ Buffet Menu** | \$85pp

- Breads for the table
- 3 Barbeque dishes
- 4 Salad dishes
- 2 Vegetable dishes
- 3 Dessert dishes

### **Sunburst BBQ Buffet Menu** | \$72pp

- Breads for the table
- 3 Barbeque dishes
- 3 Salad dishes
- 2 Vegetable dishes
- 2 Dessert dishes





### ***Cultural/Ethnic Menus***

We have catered for many different cultures and welcome working with couples to design a menu that will meet both their needs and those of their guests. Please speak with our team to talk through your wishes.

### ***Guests with Dietary Needs***

Our team of qualified chefs take great care in the preparation of menu items, however some food products may contain allergens that individual guests may be allergic to. We are able to cater for gluten free, vegetarian, vegan, allergies or intolerances. Please speak with our team to talk through your wishes. We recommend that you identify any guests with dietary needs as part of your RSVP process and provide this information to our team in advance so that they may take good care of your guests.

### ***More Options***

Should you wish to add courses or dishes to your chosen menu, please contact our team for guidance and pricing.

*\* All menu items are subject to change due to seasonality and availability of ingredients. No outside catering or beverages can be brought into the resort without prior approval.*

### ***Castaways Resort Beverage List***

Our team have put together an extensive beverage list with the varied tastes of guests in mind. Bar tabs are charged on consumption. BYO is not available as we are a fully licenced venue.



**Castaways Resort**

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To get started, please contact our sales and events team on +64 9 236 5161 or [weddings@castaways.co.nz](mailto:weddings@castaways.co.nz). We will be delighted to discuss dates or a site inspection of our resort. We look forward to making your wedding day the most memorable day of your life.

Kind regards,

**The team at Castaways Resort**

