

Wedding Ceremony Style Choices offered by Jennifer Cram, Civil Marriage Celebrant

	Full-Service Couture Ceremony (the Big White Wedding)	Simpler Couture Ceremony (when 6 bridesmaids is not your style)	No-Fuss Intimate Ceremony (a small wedding)	Enchanting Elopement (when you just want to get married without the hoo-ha)	Warm & Wonderful Weekday Weddings (Registry Office alternative suitable for Visa Weddings)
Inclusions:	As many guests, bridesmaids and groomsmen as you want Formal processional Formal recessional Readings (Optional) Rituals (Optional) 1 hour rehearsal to make sure it all runs smoothly	Best Man and 1 Bridesmaid only. Simple or no processional. No recessional. One reading.(Optional) Simple rituals only (Optional) No rehearsal included (can be provided as an optional extra)	Approximately 20 guests or less. No bridal party (2 witnesses only) One or both partners may make a formal entrance No readings. Simple rituals only (Optional) No rehearsal	Couple and two witnesses only. No readings or rituals. Usually not booked for Saturday afternoon (most popular time for weddings) but may be available if booked no earlier than 5 weeks before the wedding	Available Mon-Thurs and Friday until 1.00 pm No readings or rituals Full fee payable at initial meeting. Not suitable for larger numbers of guests or for a bridal party that includes more than just 2 witnesses
Fee Adjustment	Where a lower level service has been booked but later exceeded the appropriate higher level fee will be applied.				
Ceremony Duration	20-35 minutes	20-25 minutes	15-20 minutes	3-15 minutes (your choice)	15 minutes
PA system	YES	YES	NIL	NIL	Small PA system if needed
Travel included	Up to 100 km return to venue for ceremony and rehearsal.	Up to 100 km return to venue for ceremony			Up to 100 km return to venue for ceremony
Fee	\$550	\$450	\$395	\$340	\$275 (4068 & 4069 postcodes) \$315 elsewhere
Ceremony:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unique custom-created ceremony written specifically for you Guests included in ceremony Rituals and readings (optional) Guidance in writing your own vows if you wish Liaison with photographer, videographer, and musicians 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unique custom-created ceremony written specifically for you Guests included in ceremony Simple rituals requiring no rehearsal. (Optional) No more than one reading (optional) Guidance in writing your own vows if you wish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unique custom-created ceremony written specifically for you Guests included in ceremony Guidance in writing your own vows if you wish Very limited selection of rituals (optional) No readings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unique custom-created ceremony focussed on the vows Guidance in writing your own vows if you wish Rituals limited to exchange of wedding rings No readings 	Personalised partially pre-written ceremony tailored to you with your choice from a prewritten selection for your <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Affirmation of Intention Vows Ring Vows
Special touches included	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bound keepsake copy of ceremony Readings in attractive folders Presentation folder for Marriage Certificate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bound keepsake copy of ceremony Reading in attractive folder Presentation folder for Marriage Certificate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bound keepsake copy of ceremony Marriage Certificate presented in a decorative envelope 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bound keepsake copy of ceremony Marriage Certificate presented in a decorative envelope 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keepsake copy of your vows Marriage Certificate presented in a decorative envelope
Rehearsal	Rehearsal (on site or elsewhere)	No rehearsal – some staging directions in ceremony script	No rehearsal – minimal staging directions in ceremony script	No rehearsal	No rehearsal
Declarations	Signed at Rehearsal	Signed at venue immediately before ceremony commences			
Surcharges (where applicable)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Negotiated excess travel where venue is more than 100km return Parking / entrance fees at cost Late Start fee should you not be ready to commence ceremony within 15 minutes of agreed start time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Negotiated excess travel where venue is more than 100km return Parking / entrance fees at cost Late Start fee should you not be ready to commence ceremony within 15 minutes of agreed start time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Negotiated excess travel where venue is more than 100 km return Parking / entrance fees at cost Late Start fee should you not be ready to commence ceremony within 15minutes of agreed start time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parking / entrance fees at cost Late Start fee should you not be ready to commence ceremony within 15 minutes of agreed start time NB excess travel option not available. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parking / entrance fees at cost Late Start fee where you are not ready to commence ceremony within 315 minutes of agreed start time NB Excess travel option not available

Explaining My Fees

Wedding ceremonies are not “one size fits all”. Different clients have different needs, so I offer a range of options, with differing fees and inclusions. My fees for conducting your ceremony are based on a number of criteria in order to provide you with options that will match your needs and your budget. Because different options require differing levels of input, time and energy required to develop, create and perform your ceremony my fees reflect the size and complexity of your ceremony as impacted by a combination of the following:

- the size of the ceremony
- type/complexity of the ceremony
- time required to develop the ceremony
- whether a rehearsal is required
- the day of the week on which the ceremony is held
- the location of the ceremony:

1. Size

This is based on the size of the ‘wedding party’ and the number of guests. I use number of guests as the simple criterion because that drives the size of the wedding party and also drives the amount of equipment needed on the day and the length and complexity of the ceremony itself. The larger the group of people, the more time I need to spend on creating the ceremony and co-ordinating the details.

2. Type/Complexity of Ceremony

I custom-create each ceremony for an individual couple. I do not expect you to choose from pre-written ceremonies or components except for Warm and Wonderful Weekday Weddings.

3. Time required to develop the ceremony

Developing a custom-created ceremony that reflects your personalities, styles and wishes takes time. The more complex the ceremony the more time it takes. I write a first draft based on information I gather from you and you have full rights of editing. Going through the process with one or more drafts also takes time.

4. Rehearsal

A large wedding party with a processional and recessional needs a rehearsal, as do complex rituals. Readers also need to be rehearsed. A rehearsal is built in to the full-service couture ceremony fee structure but I am happy to add a full onsite rehearsal to any of the other levels of service (add \$100 to the fee). If the ceremony site is more than 100 km return trip from my office you will also need to double the excess travel fee.

5. Location of Ceremony

I build travelling into my fee structure. Travel beyond 100 km return (which covers Brisbane City, Ipswich, Logan Shire, Pine Rivers, Redcliffe and Redlands) attracts an additional fee. Excess travel option is not available for Elopements or Warm and Wonderful Weekday Weddings.

The Bottom Line

When comparing the costs of celebrant services it is important that you have an accurate picture. **Because I offer a range of service levels you will never need to pay for services you don't use, and because I come to you for meetings you won't need to add the hidden cost of travel to your ceremony cost.**

What Jennifer Cram's services will cost you

Ceremony Fee	<i>Refer Summary of Service Levels for the fee for your ceremony</i>	\$
Total Cost		\$

What other Celebrants services might cost you.

Always establish exactly what the quoted fee includes and whether there will be additional charges for services such as a rehearsal.

- there may be undisclosed and/hidden costs.
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Ceremony Fee		\$
Cost of Rehearsal		\$
Other Add-on Costs		\$
Cost of Travel to meetings: <i>Eg if celebrant requires 3 meetings and lives 37 km return from your home the cost of attending meetings will be .66c x 37 x 3 = \$73.26</i> <i>(NB .66c per km is the ATO level for claiming car expenses)</i>	Number of km return = number of meetings = _____ km	\$
	Km X Meetings _____ km	
	Total km X .66c per km = Total Cost of attending meetings \$ _____	
Total Cost		\$

Combo Wedding Ceremony

A combo wedding ceremony is a commitment that

- incorporates another type of ceremony, eg a naming ceremony, or
- includes more than one couple (double or triple wedding), or
- Follows close on or is closely followed by a second but related ceremony (usually within hours but possibly involving a change of venue)

Because of the complexity and work required to develop and officiate at a combo ceremony an additional fee applies. This will typically be the full fee for the wedding plus 50% of the fee for the second type of ceremony.

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