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# 5 Coral Gables Wedding Venues You'll Love

Your reception site sets the tone for your wedding. Here are five Coral Gables venues guaranteed to astound.



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#### 1. The Biltmore Hotel

Since opening in Coral Gables in 1926, the worldfamous Biltmore has been the hotel of choice for presidents and royalty alike.

### Why You'll Love It

As a wedding venue, the Biltmore is at once stately and personal. It definitely has grandeur, but the hotel wedding specialists tailor every detail so that your personalities come across in the decor. With ballrooms, a garden, and a host of other elegant spaces, the hotel has an array of options for both indoor and outdoor weddings.

#### Why Your Guests Will Love It

With a spa, an 18-hole golf course, and award-winning restaurants, there's no shortage of stuff for out-of-towners to do -- including chopping, searing, and kneading their way through a Biltmore Culinary Academy cooking class.

#### More Info

BiltmoreHotel.com

#### 2. The Coco Plum Women's Club

Founded in 1912, the Coco Plum Women's Club has old-world style with modern sensibility.

# Why You'll Love It

The Coco Plum has a stunning banquet hall, two optional rooms for either the ceremony or reception, and an adjacent courtyard with tropical landscaping. Thanks to the catering and planning team, no design element or detail gets overlooked -- from flowers and food to decor and even entertainment packages.

#### Why Your Guests Will Love It

Weddings at The Coco Plum can totally take advantage of the venue's indoor and outdoor fluidity, so guests can mingle amid rich interiors and then step outside for some fresh air.

#### More Info

TheCocoPlum.com

## 3. The Westin Colonnade, Coral Gables

As grand as it is versatile, this neoclassic venue does double duty as a lavish reception site and a first-class place to stay for your out-of-town guests.

# Why You'll Love It

Whether you're planning a wedding for an intimate group or have a guest list in the hundreds, this site has several settings that can accommodate your event. The marble-tiled rotunda has a 60-foot dome (a great backdrop for dramatic photos), and there's plenty of room for dancing in the 7,250-square-foot Merrick Ballroom. This venue does it all -- luncheons, brunches, rehearsal dinners -- and includes a full-service staff with the option of catering included.

### Why Your Guests Will Love It

It's centrally located with well-appointed rooms, a heated rooftop pool, and complimentary yoga sessions -- what's not to love?

#### More Info

WestinCoralGables.com

# 4. Douglas Entrance

As the "gateway" to Coral Gables, this one-of-a-kind historic site can add charm and elegance to any wedding.





#### Why You'll Love It

With its iconic 1927 Mediterranean-revival-style architecture and tropical landscaping, this is a classic wedding venue. Its opulent lobby features a grand staircase, recently renovated ballroom, and private balcony that overlooks the lush courtyard plaza, where guests can enjoy Miami's practically perfect weather.

### Why Your Guests Will Love It

Douglas Entrance feels a bit like a mini city, with a network of shops, a florist, and amenities lining its "campus." Located just minutes from Miami International Airport, this venue provides free shuttle service within the Coral Gables area and is within walking distance of the famous Miracle Mile shopping district.

#### More Info

DouglasEntrance.net

### 5. The Coral Gables Country Club

This "crown jewel of Miami" houses one of the few truly traditional ballrooms in Coral Gables -- perfect for couples who want to celebrate in the height of luxury.

#### Why You'll Love It

Situated on a Mediterranean-style complex constructed in 1924, this country club's grand ballroom and three banquet rooms can hold anywhere from 80 to 600 guests for banquet-style seating. Brides who opt for the wedding package will be treated to food tastings, a dedicated staff, and fabulous cuisine provided by the club's catering service (and more!).

# Why Your Guests Will Love It

With such varied surroundings, and with so many bonus amenities (like an outdoor swimming pool, athletic club, and neighborhood cafe), your guests may want your wedding to last a week.

#### More Info

CoralGablesCountryClub.com

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