

this is just the beginning

Where you celebrate this journey in life together provides lifelong memories.



Hosting your celebration at Elmhirst's Resort offers you a waterfront destination any time of the year. With nature's beauty as the backdrop, our personalized event planning and catering services come together alighting those dreams into memorable reality.



Weddings & Celebrations at Elmhirst's Resort

A country style, lakeside setting that is perfect for gathering your families and friends together to celebrate life's most cherished occasions. We welcome you to come tour Elmhirst's Resort, in the Kawarthas, just 90 minutes East of Toronto.

Our location on Rice Lake provides an elegant setting for weddings, renewal of vows, commitment ceremonies, anniversaries and reunions in any season. From arrival to ceremony to reception to relaxing at your cottage and throughout the resort, our team is dedicated to providing a high-level of guest care and planning support, so that when the big day arrives you are free of distractions and your only concern will be having fun...we will take care of the rest.

We welcome you to visit us for a guided tour and imagine the possibilities.

Steve Elmhirst
Wedding Coordinator





Staying With Us

We are a cottage resort located on the north shore of Rice Lake. All 30 cottages are located on the waterfront and have their own private deck with outdoor furniture and a dock. Each cottage is equipped with a full kitchen and dishwasher, fireplace, jet tub and a gas BBQ...we can even deliver our Elmhirst's Own steaks for that BBQ.

Our rental cottages offer casual comfort for couples, families, and large groups. Cottages range from 1 to 5 bedrooms, and all of the cottages, both Deluxe and Superior, have been renovated and are updated to be equipped with everything our guests need, including linens. Many of the cottages also have a pull-out couch in the living room.



Get comfortable and relax in the living room of your own cottage on the sofas and chairs. The LCD television, DVD player and stereo provide entertainment – we even have a selection of DVDs to choose from for your movie night! Unlimited Wi-Fi access is also included and available in the main building as well as every cottage.



To book a tour contact...

Steve Elmhirst
Wedding Coordinator
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Available for you...

- Scenic Locations for Wedding Photography
- Horsedrawn Wedding Carriage or Sleigh
- Ceremony Departure by Plane with Fly By
- Private Spa Time For The Bridal Party
- Wine Cellar Tastings
- Rehearsal Barbeque
- Pontoon and Fishing Boats
- Horses For Trail Rides
- Evening Bonfire
- Golf
- Always Free Activities

Simply tell us how many quests you wish to invite and we will package the day, days or weekend for you with an inclusive rate. We do have a 2 night minimum cottage rental for stays during weekends. charge) per person in planning your personalized reception.



\$110 per person

includes

Ceremony area and setup

Reception Meal

Wine with dinner

All taxes & service charges

A la Carte

We can accommodate weddings of up to 150 guests for ceremonies and receptions. A \$226 facility fee is applicable for all weddings.

Our prices include 13% HST and 15% Service Charge.

Ceremonies on The Boardwalk or in the Conservatory Greenhouse

Includes chair rental, setup, water and non-alcoholic punch

...\$8 per person

Wedding Carriage or Sleigh

Arrive at your ceremony in a fairytale horse drawn white vintage carriage or sleigh in the winter

...\$175 per couple

Post-Ceremony Sightseeing Flight

Right from the boardwalk, you can wisk away with your loved one for a sightseeing flight, sharing a moment together you will never forget

...\$150 per couple

Wine Cellar Tasting

Hidden away, the wine cellar provides a unique setting for romantic and intimate occasions. Warm lighting and a long harvest table greet you, creating an ambiance of romance, surrounded by walls lined with the finest Ontario and Canadian vintages you can find.

...\$20 per person

Pontoon Boat Excursion

Spending time on the lake exploring the calm waters of Rice Lake and the natural surroundings can be a great group activity or just for two...soaking up some sun. Hourly and daily rentals available. Fuel costs extra.

...\$294 per day

Bar Packages

Your Dinner can be accompanied by one of the VQA wines selected from our wine list and complemented by a toast with a sparkling wine as you are seated.

Our prices include 13% HST and 15% Service Charge.

Host Bar Package Estimate

For a host bar estimate, we take the number of hours that you would like the host bar open, and then multiply by the number of guests, and then by \$8. The Host Bar will close during dinner when wine is being served if requested. Only the total drinks consumed are charged.

Number of Hours:

Number of Guests:

...\$8 per person per hour

Cash Bar Selection

For a cash bar we offer a banquet house red and white wine, available by the glass, as well as an extensive wine list menu including sparkling wines, available by the bottle.

Local Craft Beer on Tap (Smithworks, Publican)

Domestic Bottled Beer

Spirits and Cocktails

A Corkage Fee estimate can be provided upon request.

Dining

Central to the Elmhirst experience is our Elmhirst's Own and locally sourced food. Farm-to-table freshness is a key ingredient in our culinary creations.

Our prices include 13% HST and 15% Service Charge.

3 Course Plated Dinner

Includes room for reception and dance. Minimum number of guests or fee may apply.

...\$90 per person

Buffet Dinner

Includes room for reception and dance.

(Minimum of 50 people)

...\$90 per person

Sunday Brunch

Renowned locally for our Sunday Brunch, your wedding guests will be seated together in the Hearthside Dining Room.

...\$29.95 per person
...\$16.95 under 12 years

Wedding Cakes Available

Made in house by our pastry Chef Bruce Melnichuk

...\$5 per person

For dinner you can choose from a plated 3 course meal or buffet service. Our Culinary teams' expertise in fine dining, hand-crafted desserts and carefully chosen wines from our Wine Cellar to compliment our menus, is all part of the experience. At Elmhirst's Resort we look forward to making this your special day and would be pleased to discuss menu suggestions.

Rehersal Bbq

You can add to the fun of the weekend by choosing to have a barbeque dinner in our gardens or even on the deck of your own cottage.

Our prices include 13% HST and 15% Service Charge.

Wedding Rehersal BBQ

...\$28 per person

Menu:

Elmhirst's Own 6oz Angus Burger

Grilled BBQ Sausage

Grilled Chicken Breast Sandwich

Baked Potato

Charred Corn and Tomato Salad

Green Salad with 2 dressings

Dessert

Coffee and Tea

Wedding Rehersal BBQ with 6oz Striploin
Steak instead of 6oz Angus Burger

...\$30 per person

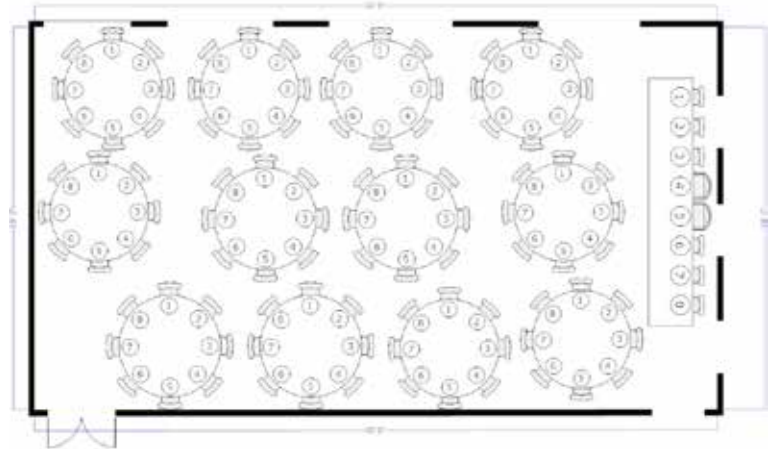
Ceremony Space

Elmhirst's Resort offers ideal facilities and wedding planning support. Away from distraction, our waterfront setting provides a relaxed atmosphere.



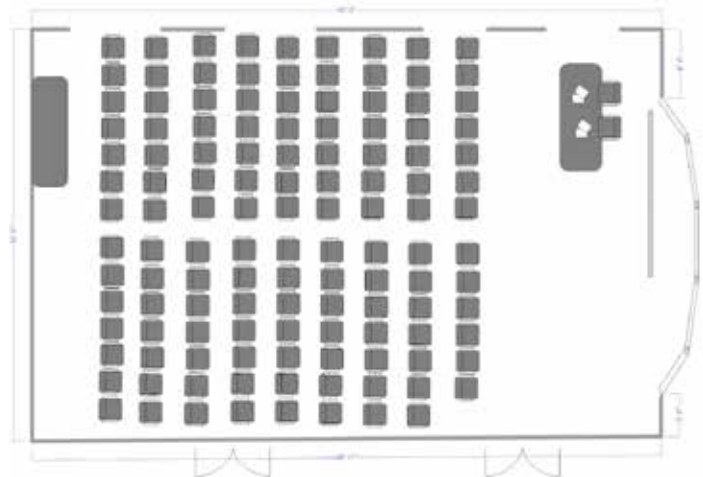
The Heritage Room is located in the main resort building and overlooks the lake and outdoor pool area. Optimal for banquet groups of 120, it may also be combined for events in the Hearthside Dining Room.

Size: 30' x 60'



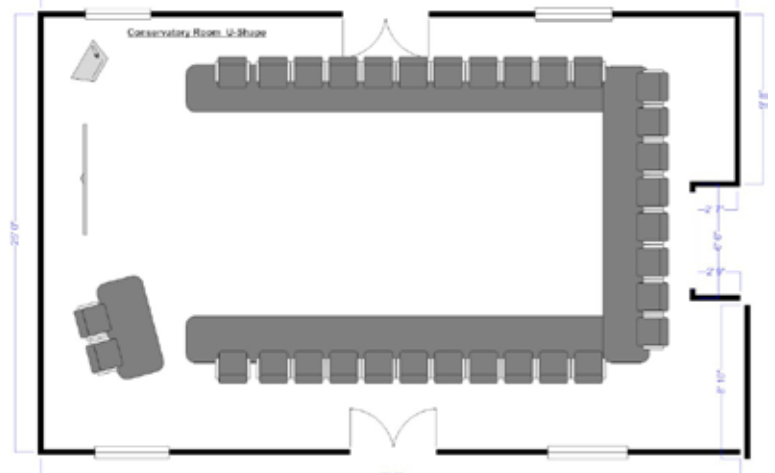
The Enterprise Room is also located in the main building on the waterfront, with direct access to the boardwalk and outdoor ceremony areas. Optimal banquet groups of 100. There is a bar in the room, washrooms nearby, air conditioning, and the foyer can be used as a reception area.

Size: 30' x 60'



The Conservatory Room is perfect for ceremonies for up to 80 persons. Located in a separate building, directly across the main building, the Conservatory room offers privacy with access to the greenhouse for a reception or photography. There is a separate kitchen for catering, a bar, fireplace and radiant heat, as well as washrooms.

Size: 25' x 40'



Included in your ceremony space...

- Free High Speed WIFI available in all cottages and resort buildings
- Microphones (lapel and hand held)
- Podium
- Screen
- Overhead Projector and Slide Projector
- Flat Screen Television
- DVD Player



New Memories Await



No two wedding experiences are the same, but having the right backdrop year-round presents a pretty compelling vision for the moment you've been imagining.

Winter

February stands out as a favourite time for winter weddings and the renewal of vows. As a less hectic time, friends and families can gather and celebrate, enjoy sumptuous local foods, and enjoy the distinctive setting of a traditional Canadian destination resort.

The off-season benefits of winter weddings are a complimentary Bride and Groom's cottage for the wedding night, plus a special rate for overnight guests which includes a Saturday breakfast and full brunch on Sunday.

Fridays

Sometimes flexibility is needed to bring people together and there's a growing demand for Friday weddings and anniversary celebrations.

The Bride and Groom, along with guests, can unwind after the big event and enjoy our "Always Free" amenities at the resort, or try a wine tasting in the one-of-a-kind wine cellar. With boat rentals available, guests can enjoy a guided fishing tour, or groups can explore the lake together on our pontoon boat.

Our neighbour next door is Bellmere Winds Golf Course, open from June to October.

Sundays

A Sunday ceremony is an option that appeals to couples looking for a single day occasion, with the option to include our traditional Sunday Brunch in the Hearthside Dining Room. The lake view is picture perfect in any season.

Booking

Deposit

A \$500 deposit is required to confirm your wedding booking. A \$200 facility fee is applicable for all weddings (plus taxes).

Payment

A payment schedule will be arranged with you. We require that 90% of the estimated total be paid prior to the wedding date. The 10% remaining balance is due on the day of the wedding prior to departure, unless other payment procedures have been pre-arranged.

Cancellations

Cancellations taken six months prior to the wedding date will be refunded 50% of the deposit received. Cancellations within six months of the wedding date will be charged 25% of the estimated total.

Contact Information

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Details

SOCAN Fee

A charge of \$59.17 plus HST will be applied to any function using a D.J. (pre-recorded music) or live music as per the Copyright Act of Canada (R.S.C. 1985, c.C-45) and forwarded to the Society of Composers, Authors and Music Publishers of Canada.

RESOUND Fee

\$26.63 to be applied to all.

Decorations

The function room will be available the day of the wedding from 8:00 a.m. Decorations are acceptable and will need to be confirmed with your wedding planner. Decorations that are not permitted are any that may result in any damage to the room. These include: thumbtacks, nails, scotch tape, or open flame). All decorations need to be removed the day of the function by the bridal party or decorator. Any damage to the property or excessive clean up may result in additional charges. Elmhirst's Resort is not responsible for any loss, theft or damage to personal articles left behind.

Private Spa Time



The SPA@Emhirst's provides a truly unique space for bridal parties to gather for a pampering session prior to the main event and offers guests a way to compliment their stay at the resort. The Spa@Elmhirst's is open year round and can be booked for private groups and couples. Retreat into our tranquil, modern and bright spa overlooking the pool and garden to enjoy a treatment from our full list of spa services, including services for men.

We are proud to treat you with ARBONNE's pure, safe, and beneficial products at The Spa. Our exceptional staff believe that taking the time to refresh and rebalance is not frivolous, but rather an essential part of happiness and is essential for thriving in today's fast paced world. We are committed to providing the highest level of service and relaxation and the opportunity for rejuvenation and balance.

Bridal Party

Your bridal party has been by your side as you planned your wedding and now it's time to pamper them. Enjoy some girl time and massage away any pre-wedding nerves and stress in our Spa with a Bridal Party package. It is available on the Friday prior to your wedding for parties of 2 – 6 guests. Each guest will enjoy a 30 minute Facial or 30 minute Massage, an Elmhirst Pedicure & Manicure, and dedicated social time with snacks.

\$170 per person, 3 hours



Our Resort

We have been hosting guests to our family's resort for nearly 60 years. A lot has improved over time but a few things just stand true. Fostering a warm community spirit, especially among our many repeat visitors has always been the Elmhirst's way. We are the most locals driven resort in the Kawarthas, and our commitment to farm-to-table, sourcing from nearby growers, producers, artists and skilled guides, continues to define our approach to business through five-generations of ownership.

We have a fantastic property that has been part of our family since 1903 and has been a working farm throughout that time and it remains the cornerstone of the Elmhirst's Resort experience today. We breed and raise our own Angus beef cattle, ducks and turkeys. Our lead farmer has been sustaining the farmstead for the last 30 years and a little more recently our vegetable garden. Much of what we serve in our lakefront dining room is grown by our team on our farm.

We pride ourselves on environmental sustainability at the resort. A naturalized shoreline and waterfront trail controls erosion and provides wildlife habitat. The non-invasive dockage system prevents damage to the natural lake bottom and fish spawning areas, maintaining Rice Lake's reputation as an angler's paradise. In every aspect of our operation, we strive to use resources respectfully, and we're always looking for new ways to protect and preserve this very special property for the future.



