

Not many people realise that the saying 'tying the knot' comes from an ancient Irish marriage ceremony of handfasting.



The hands of the bride and groom were tied together for a marriage "contract" of one year plus one day that the newlyweds promised to stay together prior to the marriage becoming "legal." If the husband and wife decided at that point they were not for each other they would part. If not, the marriage was then forever.

Here at Rí Rá Irish Pub & Restaurant, we have been a part of the Portland community for over twenty years and have had the privilege of helping many couples 'tie the knot'. Situated in the historic Old Port area, Rí Rá is a beautiful pub & restaurant in a magical setting. Our wedding venue overlooks Portland Harbor with floor to ceiling glass windows offering a 360 degree view of the numerous quaint, inhabited Islands that are dotted across the bay.

Our premises is a 'tale of two cities'. Downstairs, as you enter Rí Rá you are led back in time to the peaceful and cozy atmosphere of a traditional Irish pub one hundred years ago.

Upstairs is a modern, extremely beautiful and recently refurbished space, very much in keeping with its New England environs. We like to say that when you are downstairs you are in Dublin, when you are upstairs, you are very much in Portland!

Our venue is a series of extremely flexible interlocking spaces, allowing us to cater for weddings of all styles and ambiences.







Our food philosophy

ur dedicated wedding menus are inspired by the best in traditional Irish cuisine and classic bistro preparations. Our passion is to deliver an authentic New England experience with a flavor of our Irish roots.

Our wedding menus are based around seasonal ingredients and some of the best quality seafood the working waterfront on our doorstep has to offer.

We are passionate about sourcing as much of our meats, cheeses and select products locally and take great pride in using only all-natural, antibiotic and hormone free beef and chicken.

Whether your wedding is simply an hors d'oeuvres and cocktail reception or full course dining, we can tailor a menu to suit your needs. We also cater for those all-important pre-wedding celebrations including hen/stag celebrations, rehearsal dinners and post-wedding brunches.









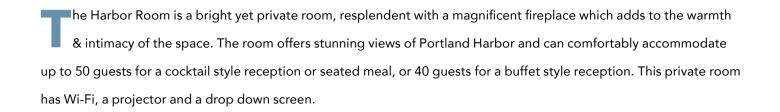
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The Harbor Room



| | FLOOR SPACE | 560 SQ. FT. |
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| Upstairs Bar & Parlor Area | CAPACITY | 50 GUESTS |
| | FACILITIES | WI-FI, PROJECTOR & SCREEN |
| | THE STANDARD | THE ROOM RENTAL FEE INCLUDES YOUR CHOICE |
| | PACKAGE | FROM A MIXTURE OF ROUND AND RECTANGLE TABLES, |
| | | SILVERWARE, TABLE SETTINGS AND VOTIVE CANDLES. |











The Main Dining Room



ur main wedding space, the Main Dining Room, offers the most dramatic views of the harbor. Perfect for those larger weddings, it can accommodate 80 guests for a seated meal, 70 for a buffet style event or 100 for a cocktail style reception. Given its large floor space, this room can be set up in a number of formats, depending on the happy couple's vision for their big day.

| | FLOOR SPACE | 1,440 SQ. FT. |
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| Upstairs Bar & Parlor Area | CAPACITY | 100 GUESTS |
| | FACILITIES | WI-FI, PROJECTOR & SCREEN |
| Kitchen Harbor Rédom | THE STANDARD PACKAGE | THE ROOM RENTAL FEE INCLUDES YOUR CHOICE FROM A MIXTURE OF ROUND AND RECTANGLE TABLES, SILVERWARE, TABLE SETTINGS AND VOTIVE CANDLES. |











The Upstairs Bar & Parlor Area

he Upstairs Bar and Parlor Area is complete with large comfortable couches, a mixture of standing tables, bar seats, banquette seating and a fireplace. Both areas are ideal for a more casual wedding reception.

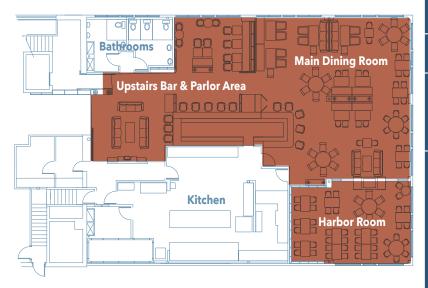
| | FLOOR SPACE | 720 SQ. FT. |
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| Bathrooms of BB CC F B Main Dining Room | CAPACITY | 100 GUESTS |
| Upstairs Bar & Parlor Area | FACILITIES | PRIVATE BAR, WI-FI, 4 X FLAT SCREEN TV'S WITH HDMI & USB CONNECTIONS. |
| Kitchen | THE STANDARD PACKAGE | THE ROOM RENTAL FEE INCLUDES YOUR CHOICE FROM A MIXTURE OF ROUND AND RECTANGLE TABLES, SILVERWARE, TABLE SETTINGS AND VOTIVE CANDLES. |





The Entire 2nd Floor

e also accommodate bookings utilizing the entire second floor area covering the Harbor Room, Main Dining Room, and Upstairs Bar and Parlor Area. Luxuriate in a multi-functional space that's the ultimate in flexibility for those bigger weddings.



| FLOOR SPACE | 2,720 SQ. FT. |
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| CAPACITY | 200 GUESTS |
| FACILITIES | PRIVATE BAR, WI-FI, 4 X FLAT SCREEN TV'S WITH HDMI & USB CONNECTIONS. |
| THE STANDARD PACKAGE | THE ROOM RENTAL FEE INCLUDES YOUR CHOICE FROM A MIXTURE OF ROUND AND RECTANGLE TABLES, SILVERWARE, TABLE SETTINGS AND VOTIVE CANDLES. |

Full Pub & Restaurant buyout

ant to give your guests the full experience of our stunning wedding venue on the second floor, plus our ground floor pub, comprising of a classic

Victorian Bar and traditional Irish Shop Pub? It's yours for that extra special day. Speak to our Event Manager for availability & pricing for a complete private buy-out.

Pricing & Extras

ach space or portion of space has its own standard room rental fee that includes many of the items that other venues charge for separately. Our standard package includes your choice from a mixture of round and rectangle tables; silverware; table settings & votive candles and AV facilities. We also offer a range of additional extras:

| GLASS OF HOUSE CHAMPAGNE ON ARRIVAL FOR GUESTS | \$12 PER PERSON |
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| PASSED SERVICE OF HORS D'OEURVES ON ARRIVAL | PRICES VARY |
| WHITE HOUSE LINEN | \$2 PER LINEN |
| ANY OTHER REQUESTED COLOR LINEN | \$5 PER LINEN |
| LINEN NAPKINS | \$1 PER LINEN NAPKIN |

Beverage Options

here are a number of different bar options. You can of course arrange your event in such a way that your guests buy their own drinks, provide wine during dinner, or choose of one of our open bar options:

| FULL OPEN BAR FOR THE EVENING | | | |
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| BEER AND HOUSE WINE ONLY | | \$35 PER PERSON | |
| HOUSE WINES, DOMESTIC BEER & WELL DRINKS | | \$40 PER PERSON | |
| PREMIUM WINE, BEER & PREMIUM DRINKS | | \$50 PER PERSON | |
| ALLOCATED OPEN BAR | LIMITED BAR | SODA BAR | |
| ALLOCATE A CERTAIN TIME FRAME FOR DRINKS TO BE AVAILABLE FOR YOUR GUESTS, THEN REVERT TO A CASH BAR. | SELECT YOUR FAVORITE DRINKS AND HAVE THEM AVAILABLE ON THE NIGHT FOR YOUR GUESTS TO ENJOY. | ALL SODAS AND JUICES AVAILABLE FOR YOUR GUESTS FOR THE NIGHT. | |

Contact Details

If you would like to discuss the possibility of having your special day at Rí Rá, get in touch with our Events Manager, Rebecca Warner.

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