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FAIRMONT LE MONTREUX PALACE







DISCOVER A NEW MEANING FOR “PALATIAL”

Nestled between the Swiss Alps and Lake Geneva lies Montreux, the jewel of the Swiss Riviera. Snow-capped peaks behind you, palm trees in front; the beauty of the Belle Époque all around. And presiding over Avenue Claude Nobs and the waterfront promenade for more than 100 years is Fairmont Le Montreux Palace, a hotel as resplendent as the city it calls home—grand ballrooms, sparkling chandeliers, mouth-watering cuisine and a flair for romance simply unrivalled in the region, if not the continent. Is there a more magical destination in Europe for your dream wedding?



AT THE CROSSROADS OF EUROPE'S FINEST

Whether they arrive by air, rail, automobile or even by boat, your guests will find Montreux easily accessible from all corners of Europe. That's partly why the Swiss Riviera has enticed travellers for centuries. Being uniquely situated at the centre of Europe, cultures, music, architecture, cuisine and language have resulted in the mosaic of Swiss charms. While getting to Montreux is easy and convenient, you might find that leaving the Swiss Riviera is close to impossible.









LET US BE YOUR GUIDE

Having spent a century hosting Europe's best and most beautiful, we've developed a fine sense of what a truly grand wedding requires: colour schemes for flowers that perfectly complement the dress; lavish table settings and décor to heighten the senses; a wedding cake that tastes as magnificent as it looks. That's why we have a dedicated wedding planner and a team of experts on hand to guide you through the journey, all the way from the engagement party to the vows. You'll have enough to think about ahead of your big day—why not leave the details to us?





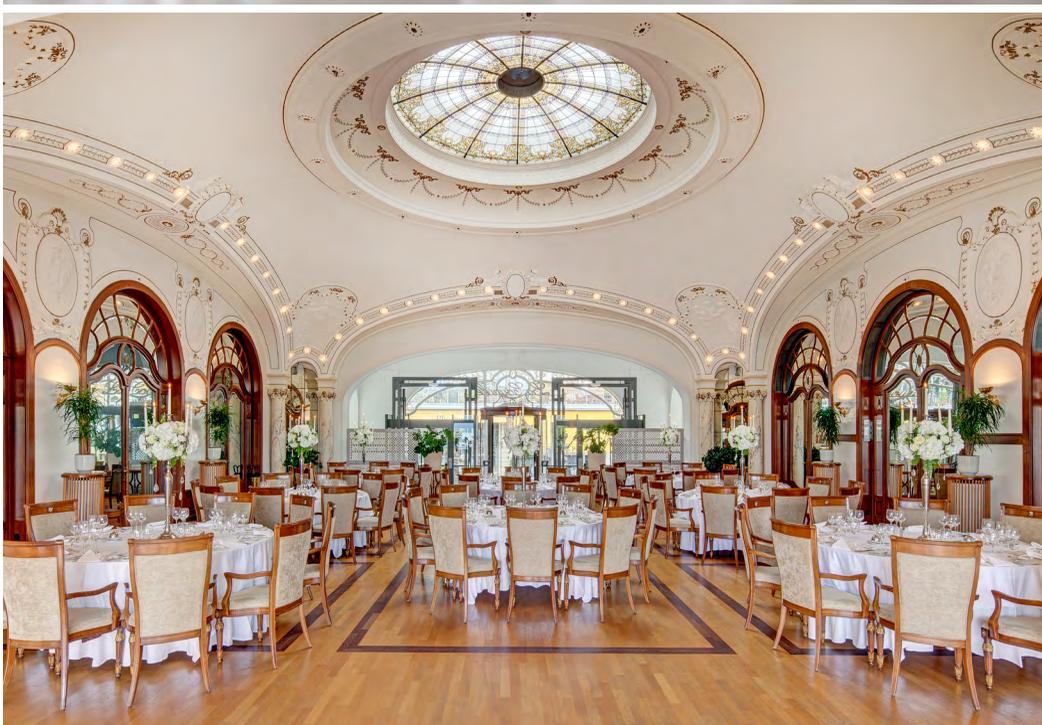
AN UNFORGETTABLE CEREMONY

We can't imagine a destination more picturesque than Montreux. So when it comes to deciding where to hold the ceremony, every choice is the right choice. Consider sharing your vows outdoors on our expansive front lawn, with stunning views of the Alps, Lake Geneva and the hotel acting as the backdrop to your matrimonial moment. Or perhaps you'd prefer a more intimate space, such as La Coupole or our Salle des Fêtes, which reflects the city's age-old love affair with all things musical. Of course, your wedding planner can also recommend a number of local places of worship, as well as officiants, décor, seating arrangements and everything else needed to make your ceremony picture-perfect.

LET THE CELEBRATION BEGIN

Once the vows, rings and “I do”s are exchanged, the real celebration begins. No matter the size of your wedding, we have a venue that will be ideally suited to your needs—we can easily accommodate any party, from an intimate gathering with your family in La Coupole to an extravagant gala in the 800-square-metre (8,590-square-foot) Léman ballroom, filled with everyone who matters most to you. Our event staff will guarantee that the reception is seamless, from the first toast to the last dance, and that every speech gets the attention it deserves. So when it’s time to turn up the music, all you’ll have to be concerned about is your uncle’s dancing.













CUISINE THEY WILL REMEMBER

While the food at many weddings is an afterthought, at Fairmont Le Montreux Palace it takes centre stage. Our menus focus on premium local ingredients in everything from the amuse-bouches to the entrées, and our chefs are always happy to create a custom wedding cake that your guests will be talking about for years. Our sommelier will help you select the perfect vintage for marking your nuptials, and leave it to our mixologists to prepare bespoke cocktails that capture the essence of your relationship—and get the party started.





A GOOD NIGHT'S REST

We have the comfort of you and your guests in mind at all times. Each of our 236 guest rooms and suites is sumptuously appointed, combining elements of traditional European elegance with contemporary style. You can also choose from our exclusive suites that represent the pinnacle of Swiss luxury, featuring whirlpools, marble bathrooms, balconies and tributes to the artists that have helped make Montreux known around the world. Since almost all of our guest rooms boast unobstructed views of Lake Geneva, you'll wake up on the first morning of your marriage to a panorama you'll never forget.



FIND YOUR ENERGY

A visit at Fairmont Le Montreux Palace is complete when you have enjoyed the Willow Stream Spa, one of the finest in a country renowned for health and wellness. A vast range of services can help you feel calm and relaxed before, during and after the wedding, whether you prefer a refreshing eucalyptus scrub or an indulgent, two-hour couple's treatment that will restore the body and invigorate the mind. And because we want you looking your best on your biggest day, our on-site salon will turn your hair, make-up and nails into a masterpiece.









PLANNING FOR THE BIG DAY

We've included a timeline to help you prepare for your wedding. We hope it will help provide some peace of mind over the next few months, from getting your dress sized to sending out invitations. Our dedicated wedding experts are always happy to help if you have any questions.

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TWELVE MONTHS BEFORE

- **Start a wedding folder or binder.**
Begin leafing through bridal, lifestyle, fashion, gardening, design and food magazines for inspiration.
- **Start the guest list and begin gathering addresses.**
Make a guest-list database to use throughout your planning process.
- **Reserve your date.**
Signed contract and deposit due to guarantee the date.
- **Hire a wedding planner, if desired.**
- **Research vendors, including photographers, florists, bands and DJs.**
We can provide a list of event partners for your consideration.
- **Book your officiant.**
- **Pick your wedding party.**
- **Consider throwing your engagement party at Fairmont Le Montreux Palace.**

EIGHT MONTHS BEFORE

- **Hire the photographer and the videographer.**
- **Book the entertainment.**
- **Purchase a dress.**
You'll need to schedule time for at least three fittings.
- **Contact your wedding specialist about reserving a block of hotel rooms at Fairmont Le Montreux Palace.**
- **Register.**
Sign up at a minimum of three retailers.
- **Launch a wedding website.**
- **Start planning a honeymoon.**
Make sure that your passports are up to date, and schedule doctors' appointments for any immunizations you may need.

SIX MONTHS BEFORE

- **Select and purchase invitations.**
Hire a calligrapher, if desired.
- **Shop for bridesmaids' dresses.**
Allow at least six months for the dresses to be ordered and sized.
- **Meet with the officiant.**
Confirm that you have all the official documents for the wedding.
- **Send save-the-date cards.**
- **Book a florist.**
- **Let our concierge assist with arranging transportation.**
- **Start composing a day-of timeline.**
Draw up a schedule of the event and slot in each component (the cake-cutting, the first dance, etc.).

FOUR MONTHS BEFORE

- **Book your rehearsal dinner and post-wedding brunch at Fairmont Le Montreux Palace.**
 - **Purchase wedding shoes and start dress fittings.**
Bring the shoes along to your first fitting so the tailor can choose the appropriate length for your gown.
 - **Schedule hair and makeup artists.**
Make a few appointments and snap a photo at each so you can compare results.
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THREE MONTHS BEFORE

- **Schedule your tasting at Fairmont Le Montreux Palace.**
We offer local and seasonal menus. Your tasting should be scheduled in the season of the wedding.
- **Make a list of the people giving toasts.**
Which loved ones would you like to have speak at the reception?
- **Purchase your undergarments.**
And schedule your second fitting.
- **Finalize the order of the ceremony and the reception.**
- **Purchase the rings.**
This will give you time for resizing and engraving.

TWO MONTHS BEFORE

- **Send your timeline and list of vendors to your wedding specialist.**
- **Meet with the photographer.**
Discuss specific shots and walk through the locations to note spots that appeal to you.
- **Review the playlist with the band or DJ.**
Come prepared with a song wish list.
- **Send out the invitations.**
Mail invitations six to eight weeks before the ceremony, setting the RSVP cutoff at three weeks after the postmark date.
- **Enjoy a bachelorette and bachelor party.**

ONE MONTH BEFORE

- **Enter RSVPs into your guest-list database.**
Telephone people who have not yet responded.
- **Mail the invitations for the rehearsal dinner.**
- **Send the final guest list to your wedding specialist.**
The final guest count and entrée counts are due 10 days before the wedding date.
- **Visit the dressmaker for your last fitting.**
- **Assign seating.**
Your wedding specialist can help choose a room layout to work with.
- **Purchase bridesmaids' and groomsmen's gifts.**
You'll present them at the rehearsal dinner.
- **Write vows, if necessary.**
- **Get your hair cut and coloured, if desired.**

WEEK OF THE WEDDING

- **Book a treatment at our Willow Stream Spa.**
Make an appointment for a manicure and a pedicure the day before the wedding. (You might want to get a stress-relieving massage, too!)
 - **Delegate wedding-day tasks.**
If you don't have a designated wedding planner, assign someone to be your day-of point person. You'll need someone to bustle your dress, carry your things, oversee gifts (especially the enveloped ones) and liaise with vendors.
 - **Send a timeline to the wedding party.**
Include every member's contact information, along with the point people you've asked to deal with the vendors, if problems arise.
 - **Pick up your dress.**
 - **Check in one last time with the photographer.**
Supply them with a list of moments you want captured on film.
 - **Pack for your honeymoon.**
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FAIRMONT HONEYMOON DESTINATIONS

After the wedding, your thoughts will naturally turn to your honeymoon—maybe shopping and seaside relaxation in Dubai? Dining and dancing in Monte Carlo? Extravagance and entertainment in New York? Or maybe an alpine adventure, high in the Alberta Rockies? In 70+ destinations in 20 countries around the world, Fairmont awaits newlyweds looking for a honeymoon steeped in style, comfort and elegance.

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