



BRIARS

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A Superb Country Venue



Experience Briars Weddings

Briars Country Lodge is an exclusive retreat in the heart of the Southern Highlands, complimented by a natural country environment promising quiet elegance and incomparable service. Briars have an excellent reputation for providing quality service with emphasis on a friendly, comfortable atmosphere. We like our guests (and the bride & groom!) to feel at home and our professional staff will do all that are possible to ensure a wedding to remember.

Our picturesque Conservatory overlooks our lawns, lake, gazebo and the surrounding countryside and is the ideal venue for your reception. Holding a maximum of 110 people comfortably for formal occasions and up to 180 cocktail styles, the location offers a relaxed country atmosphere.

With the Lodge guest lounge included you can sit back in comfortable lounges and armchairs and relax after your meal without leaving any guests behind. For those cooler months our guest lounge offers a large open fire that can add a lovely back drop to the occasion.

Our menu is of the finest quality whether it is formal or cocktail and is designed by our team of chefs.

With 31 tasteful resort style accommodation suites your guests will enjoy a friendly relaxed atmosphere as well as superb food and wine. Rooms are available to be held for your wedding guests staying overnight. Our luxury suite is included in all our packages for the bride and groom the evening of their wedding.

Please take some time to go through our Wedding Kit all our packages are designed to suit your needs and include those little things that help make your day one to remember..

Call Rhonda on 02 4868 3566 or email Rhonda@briars.com.au for appointment or for further information helpful to your day.



Bong Bong Package Lunch or Dinner:

Minimum 70 guests

Alternate Entrée, Main with Wedding Cake as dessert \$120.00 per person
4 hours of beverages included

Inclusive:

- Complimentary Garden hire including the Gazebo for onsite ceremony
- White linen clothed table & two chairs for signing
- Use of grounds, lake & Gazebo for photographs
- Wet weather use of Conservatory Lounge for ceremony
- Four hours of beverage service from the Bong Bong package - see beverage page
- White linen clothed tables and white linen napkins
- White linen clothed cake table and gift table
- Tea & Coffee service to the table or station
- Cordless microphone and stand
- Glass hurricane lamps with candles to decorate your tables
- Reception room hire for 5 hours – up until midnight
- Room & table decoration service
- Easel for seating plan
- Welcome signage
- Comfortable Lounge area
- Open fire in cooler months
- Timber dance floor
- Complimentary luxury suite on your wedding night with a full buffet breakfast
- Gift certificate for the Briars Historic Inn to celebrate your first Wedding Anniversary; includes dinner and a bottle of Briars champagne



Exeter Package Lunch or Dinner:

Minimum 60 guests

Canapés, Alternate Entrée & Main @ \$135.00 per person with wedding cake as dessert \$142.00 per person
Canapés, Alternate Entrée, Main & Dessert @ \$150.00 per person
4.5 hours of beverages included

Inclusive:

- Complimentary garden hire including the Gazebo for on site ceremony
- White linen clothed table & two chairs for signing
- Use of grounds, lake & Gazebo for photographs
- Wet weather use of Conservatory Lounge for ceremony
- 30 minutes of pre-dinner drinks served in the Lodge Lounge or gardens (Two Rivers Sparkling Cuvee, selected beer & orange juice)
- 30 minutes of hors d'oeuvres service served with pre-dinner drinks
- Additional four hours of beverage service from the Exeter package - see beverage page
- White linen clothed tables and white linen napkins
- White linen clothed cake table and gift table
- Tea & Coffee service to the table or station
- Two beautifully designed tall floral arrangements to decorate the room
- Cordless microphone and stand
- Glass Hurricane Lamps or Candelabra's with candles to decorate your tables
- Room & table decoration service
- Easel for seating plan
- Reception room hire for 5 hours up until midnight or otherwise arranged
- Comfortable Lounge area
- Open fire in cooler months
- Welcome signage
- Timber dance floor
- Complimentary luxury suite on your wedding night with a full buffet breakfast
- Gift certificate for the Briars Historic Inn to celebrate your first Wedding Anniversary; includes Dinner and a bottle of Briars champagne

Argyle Package Lunch or Dinner

Minimum 40 guests

Canapés, Entrée & Main @ \$155.00 per person with wedding cake as dessert \$162.00 per person

Canapés, Entrée, Main & Dessert @ \$170.00 per person

5 hours of beverages included

Inclusive:

- Complimentary garden hire including the Gazebo for onsite ceremony
- White linen clothed table & two chairs for signing
- Use of grounds, lake & Gazebo for photographs
- Wet weather use of Conservatory Lounge for ceremony
- 60 minutes of pre-dinner drinks served in the Lodge Lounge or Gardens
- Croser Estate Champagne, selected beers & orange juice
- 60 minutes of hors d'oeuvres served with pre-dinner drinks.
- Additional four hours of beverages selected from the Argyle Package - see beverage page
- White linen clothed tables and white linen napkins
- White linen clothed cake table and gift table
- Tea & Coffee service to the table or station
- White tie back chair covers
- Two beautifully designed tall floral arrangements
- Cordless microphone and stand
- Candelabras or glass hurricane lamps with candles to decorate your table
- Room & table decoration service
- Easel for seating plan
- Reception room hire for 6 hours – up until midnight, or otherwise arranged
- Comfortable Lounge area
- Open fire in cooler months
- Welcome signage
- Timber dance floor
- Complimentary luxury suite on your Wedding Night with a full buffet breakfast
- Gift certificate for the Briars Historic Inn to celebrate your first Wedding Anniversary; includes Dinner and a bottle of Briars champagne



Cocktail Package

Minimum 70 guests

Selection of Four hot and Four cold Canapés \$95.00 per person

4 hours of beverage service

Inclusions:

- Complimentary garden hire including the Gazebo for your onsite ceremony
- White linen clothed table & two chairs for signing
- Use of grounds, lake & Gazebo for photographs
- Four hour of beverage service from the Bong Bong package - see beverage page
- Tea & Coffee table
- White linen clothed tables with water jugs, glasses & napkins
- White linen clothed cake table
- White linen clothed gift table
- Assorted Seating throughout
- Water Jugs with glasses on tables
- Two beautifully designed tall floral arrangements
- Cordless microphone and stand
- Candelabras with candles to decorate the tables
- Reception room hire for 5 hours – up until midnight
- Timber dance floor
- Comfortable Lounge area
- Open fire in cooler months
- Welcome signage
- Complimentary luxury suite on your Wedding Night with a full buffet breakfast
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Beverage Packages Included



Bong Bong Package – 4 Hours (extend at \$6 per hour per person)

Cocktail Package – 4 Hours

Wine

Briars Classic White
Briars Classic Red

Champagne

Briars Premium Cuvee

Beer

Carlton Draught
Hahn Premium Light

Other

Coke, Diet Coke, Lemonade, Squash, Mineral Water,
Soda, Tonic & Ginger Ale, Orange Juice

Exeter Package – 4.5 Hours (extend at \$8 per hour per person)

Wine

(Select One Red & One White)

Two Rivers Semillon
Kingston Estate Chardonnay
Kingston Estate Sauvignon Blanc
Stonefly Semillon Sauvignon Blanc

Kingston Estate Shiraz
Kingston Estate Cabernet Sauvignon
Stonefly Cabernet Merlot
Stonefly Shiraz Cabernet
Stonefly Shiraz Sangiovese

Champagne

Two Rivers Sparkling Cuvee

Beer

(Select one)

Coopers Pale Ale
Carlton Draught
Heineken

Hahn Premium Light Inclusive

Other

Coke, Diet Coke, Lemonade, Squash, Mineral Water
Soda, Tonic & Ginger Ale, Orange Juice

Argyle Package – 5 Hours (extend at \$13 per hour per person)

Wine

(Select Two Red & Two White)

Two Rivers Unwooded Chardonnay 2008

St Maur Lot 41 Chardonnay 2008
Fairbourne Two Tails Sauvignon Blanc 2008
Southern Highlands Wines Pinot Grigio 2008
D'Arenberg The Dry Dam Riesling 2008
SHW Botrytis Semillon - Dessert

St Maur Lot 41 Pinot Noir 2005
D'Arenberg High Trellis Cab Sauv 2007
Southern Highlands Wines "Oldbury"
Reserve Shiraz 2004
Peter Lehmann Layers
Blue Metal Sangiovese Rose 2008

Champagne

Croser-Picadilly Valley

Beer

(Select Two)

Heineken
Carlton Draught
Coopers Pale Ale
Boags Premium
Blue Tongue Pilsner

Hahn Premium Light Inclusive

Other

Coke, Diet Coke, Lemonade, Squash, Mineral Water
Soda, Tonic & Ginger Ale, Orange Juice

**Spirits are available at the bar for purchase throughout reception.*

Briars Wedding Menu

Choice of two served alternately



Entrée

- Sydney Rock Oysters served natural with a lime and tomato salsa
- Quail breast wrapped in prosciutto with quince paste and served on a warm bed of roquette with roasted pumpkin
- Seared Scallops on melon and sage salad and dressed with crème fraiche and lime
- King Prawns with Marie Rose sauce and crushed avocado salsa
- Peking Duck wrapped in mandarin pancakes with coriander & hoi sin sauce
- Ritolo of ricotta and baby spinach with roasted tomato sauce
- Briars duck liver pate with dressed mesclun, orange and redcurrant jelly
- Soft shell Crab with chili salt crust and herb salad

Main

- Breast of free range Chicken wrapped in prosciutto served with whipped potato and a creamy spinach
- Roast Lamb rump with crushed new potatoes, ratatouille and rosemary jus
- Seared Atlantic Salmon fillet with garlic white bean puree, red wine reduction and hollandaise
- Grilled Eye Fillet of Beef with mushrooms, red wine jus and potato puree
- Orange and apricot glazed boneless duck breast served on smashed potatoes
- Pork Belly with master stock served with rice and Asian greens in a sweet soy and sesame sauce
- Lemon and thyme roasted Spatchcock with kumera mash and natural citrus jus
- Fillet Mignon served on a potato rosti with cabernet sauvignon demi glaze and green peppered sauce

Served with seasonal greens

Dessert

- Passion Fruit Brule served with biscotti and seasonal berries
- Poached pear in red wine and cinnamon sauce with chocolate ganache and ice cream
- Apple and Rhubarb crumble with vanilla bean anglaise
- Rich chocolate tart with raspberry coulis
- Vanilla Panna Cotta with champagne and midori jelly
- Classic baked vanilla cheesecake with seasonal berries
- Briars cheese plate – trio of cheeses served with dried and fresh fruits, lavosh and quince paste

Dinner Roll

VEGETARIAN OPTIONS (Entrée and Main)

- Caramelised fennel, blue cheese and walnut risotto
- Spicy vegetable and coconut curry with fragrant rice and mango chutney
- Crispy tofu, roquette and sweet potato crisp salad
- Cajun spiced pumpkin and pine nut risotto
- Penne pasta tossed with roasted Italian vegetables in pesto cream sauce
- Roasted pumpkin, bell pepper, pistachio and brie tartlet
- Julienne of seasonal vegetables with chestnuts, wrapped in filo





Pre-dinner Hors d'oeuvres, Exeter & Argyle Packages

Half hour select three

One hour select five

Hot

- Tempura prawn with spicy dipping sauce
- Balsamic grilled spiced butter stuffed mushrooms
- Salt & Pepper squid with lime aioli
- Asparagus wrapped in prosciutto with béarnaise sauce
- Skewered meat balls with coriander, chilli, ginger, sweet soy and sesame dip

Cold

- Smoked salmon on cucumber discs
- Mini chive pikelet with smoked salmon, sour cream and dill
- Thai rare roast beef salad on garlic toast
- Mini Italian garlic bread and ripe brie and redcurrant jelly
- Vegetarian spring roll





Cocktail Package Menu

Selection of four hot & four cold
Approx 2 per person

Hot Canapés

- Soup shots – Creamy mushroom or Potato and Leek
- Tempura prawn with mirin dipping sauce
- Mini chicken satay skewers with sweet chilli dip
- Scallops in bacon with dill butter
- Balsamic grilled spiced butter stuffed mushrooms
- Mini pizettas of boccicini, roasted tomato and basil
- Chicken and ginger balls with chilli sauce and kecap manis
- Salt and Pepper squid with lime aioli dip
- Pumpkin, green pea and thyme risotto croquettes
- Chicken and mushroom risotto croquettes
- Spoon of roast carrot puree with curried shredded beef

Cold Canapés

- Oysters natural with avocado and lime salsa
- Rolled pancake of Chinese duck with hoi sin sauce
- Rare Roast Beef, rocket and Dijonaise on toasted bruschetta
- Mini chive pikelet with smoked salmon, crème fraiche and dill
- Chicken and corn tartlet with chilli, lime and coriander
- Sushi with mirin dipping sauce
- Tomato, basil and boccicini bruschetta
- Salmon pate with red currant dressing and coriander
- Smoked salmon on cucumber discs
- Asparagus wrapped in prosciutto with béarnaise sauce
- Thai rare beef salad on garlic toast
- Vegetarian spring roll with black bean dipping sauce

Additional \$4 per serve

Fruit & Cheese Platters available \$80.00 each

Antipasto Platter available \$80.00 each

Roving Box's available @ \$7-\$9 per person



Extra Services Available POA

- White Tie Back Chair covers
- Organza or Satin Sashes
- Ceiling Drapes
- Outdoor seating
- Fairy Lights decorating the room
- Child minding/Baby sitting service
- Children's Meals
- Entertainment Hire
- Beauty & Make-up Service
- Morning After Breakfast Booking at the Historic Inn
- Additional services are available please contact us for assistance and to arrange a quote.



Overtime Charge

To extend your function past the hours of your assigned package charges may apply if not booking all the accommodation rooms, extension of time must be arranged prior to the day:

This charge includes staffing, service and room rental. All beverages consumed within the extended time will be charged on consumption or cash bar.

Accommodation Suite



Standard room



The bridal suite is complimentary to you the evening of your wedding, including a buffet breakfast. Briars Country Lodge has 30 accommodation lodge style rooms available at a discounted rate for you to book in advance for your guests. Each room has king size bed or two king singles, ensuite with bath double pull out sofa bed, mini bar, Astar, lounge and dining area. Interconnecting rooms are available for family groups.

If requiring rooms they are held 8 weeks prior to your wedding date, before being released. Guests are asked to call Briars direct to secure their room with a deposit. Please enquire regarding accommodation rates.

Ceremony on Grounds

Complimentary when you book your reception in our Lake View Conservatory. Includes a white linen clothed signing table with two decorative iron chairs for the bride and groom. Additional seating can be arranged charges apply. The Historic Inn offers the perfect location for guests to go between your on ground ceremony and reception. Please enquire to what arrangements can be made for you.

Please note that the use of the grounds for your ceremony does not include any setup, decoration, seating or responsibility of returning hired sundry items.



BRIARS TERMS & CONDITIONS

As it is important to all of us that your function is successful, we would appreciate your attention to the following policies:

Confirmation of Booking

Confirmation of bookings must be made with a deposit of \$1000.00. Following the receipt of your deposit confirming your wedding date you are agreeing to and confirming your understanding of the terms and conditions below.

Guaranteed Numbers

To ensure maximum efficiency in the preparation and execution of your function, we require a guaranteed number of guests 14 days prior to the event. This figure will be regarded as the minimum number for catering and charging. All pricing is based on the confirmed package price and additional items will be charged at the appropriate price.

Menu Selection

Please advise menu selection at least 14 days prior to the event, allowing us to give the necessary time and thought to your requirements. All dietary requirements must accompany the final menu selection. If not notified of dietary requirements we cannot guarantee their service.

Time Extensions

If you wish to extend the length of your event we would be only too happy to accommodate your request where possible. However charges do apply if not booking all accommodation rooms. This must be arranged prior to the evening.

Terms of Payments

A booking is accepted as confirmed when a \$1000.00 deposit has been forwarded to Briars Country Lodge, Resort & Historic Inn. Full payment is to be received 14 days prior to the event.

Damage

Clients will be financially responsible for any damage sustained to hotel property during their event.

Insurance

The hotel will take all necessary care but accepts no responsibility for damage or loss of items prior to or after the function. Management suggests that organizers arrange their own insurance to cover any valuable articles.

Cancellation

In the event of a cancellation a fee of \$500.00 is charged. However the deposit will be forfeited if canceling within six months prior to the day of the wedding. 6 months notice to be given if original wedding date is shifted to another date with full deposit transferred, if transferred and then cancelled the full deposited amount is forfeited. Cancellation needs to be in writing.

Price Variations

Whilst every endeavor is made to maintain prices as originally quoted, prices are subject to alterations, particularly when bookings are made well in advance. Change of date to another year can alter original pricing. Please note a 10% surcharge applies to all Sundays & Public Holidays.

Responsible Service of Alcohol

Briars Country Lodge practices Responsible Service of Alcohol, as specified in the Liquor Control Reform Act 1998. The Briars reserves the right to cease the service of alcohol in the line of the above act.

If you have any questions concerning the terms & conditions please contact Rhonda on 4868 3566.

