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Weddings & Occasions

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Welcome

Schoone Oordt Country House is a charming love-filled country hotel in Swellendam South Africa, with 11 luxury bedrooms set in lush gardens, an intimate Conservatory restaurant, a sparkling saltwater pool and a passion for people, family, food, wine and the environment. The emphasis here is on unpretentious unaffected luxury, elegance, quality, love and obsessive attention to detail. We aspire to make this evident in every aspect of your time with us.

We only host one or two weddings a year, so they become very special to us and the bridal couples usually become lifelong friends...



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We know how important your wedding day is to you and as such, we tailor-make and oversee each detail to ensure that your wedding is unique, seamless and memorable, not only for you, but for every single one of your guests too. Choose from the secluded gardens, the lush & large circular lawn, the light and airy Conservatory overlooking the grounds or the cosy & slightly more formal dining room in the grand old house to host your champagne breakfast, gourmet lunch, decadent high tea or delectable dinner reception. Each wedding or function requires the exclusive reservation of the entire property for a minimum of two evenings to ensure complete privacy and undivided attention.

Schoone Oordt has been created with a vision for entertaining. She is truly an extraordinary venue for an exclusive occasion filled with laughter and love...

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Planning your wedding or event

To plan and execute your perfect wedding day, we would LOVE to meet with you personally to discuss each detail and for you to properly experience the magic of Schoone Oordt. However, in the meantime, this document gives you a broad outline of what to expect and the services we offer in order to make your day spectacular!

Please liaise with Alison Walker, our owner, directly for any additional information or if you have any queries.

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Do have a look at the links below for ideas and inspiration...

- [Lizelle and Kevin](#)
- [Mark and Katja](#)
- [Christof and Judith](#)
- Craig and Harriett featured in [South Bound Bride](#)
- Julie and Matt featured in [South Bound Bride](#)
- [Jo and Dan](#) and featured in [Country Love](#)
- [Kerry and Richard](#)
- [Maxine and Francois](#)
- [Ounooi & Jacques](#)



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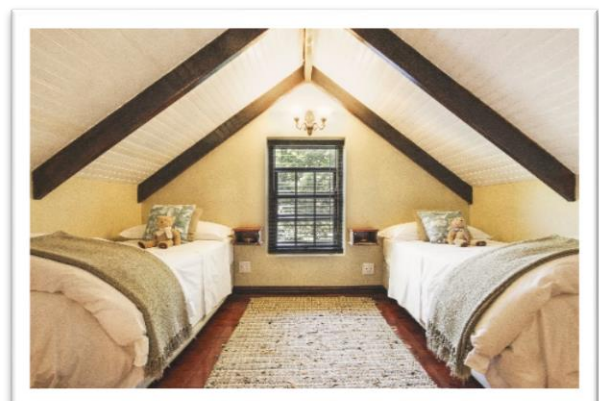
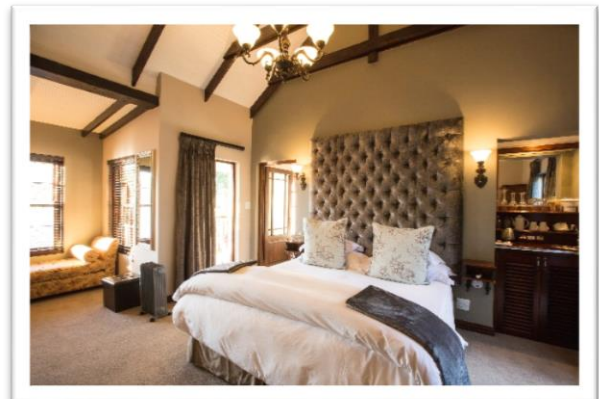
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Exclusivity & Accommodation

Each wedding or function requires the exclusive reservation of all our rooms for a minimum of two evenings to ensure complete privacy and undivided attention.

Twenty-two adults can be accommodated in king size or twin beds - all extended length. Children are welcome and can be accommodated in the family cottage, the family suite or on sleeper couches in the luxury rooms, or if they are babies, in a camper cot. Schoone Oordt boasts a family cottage, family suite, two inter-leading luxury rooms, six additional luxury rooms and, of course, the beautiful honeymoon suite.

- ♥ The **Honeymoon Suite** is private and tucked away on the edge of a small lush and shady forest with the Koornlands River gurgling along at its perimeter. Whilst it has all the delights of the Luxury Rooms, the Honeymoon Suite is unashamedly romantic with its large hearth, exquisitely carved four-poster bed and oversized bathroom.
- ♥ Positioned around a fragrant rose garden, peaceful fountains and landscaped shrubbery are eight **Luxury Rooms** that have their own patios, exquisite bathrooms, mini bar, tea / coffee facilities and satellite tv. Handmade linen, goose-down duvets, pure wool carpets, open hearth fire places in the bedroom and under-floor heating and heated towel rails in the bathrooms all add to the luxury. Whilst the rooms retain the Victorian feel of the manor house, they are uncluttered and exude luxurious style and elegance.
- ♥ The **Family Cottage** is the restored Coach House at the top end of the property and boasts a loft area with two extended-length single beds for children and an extended-length king for parents. The **Family Suite**, situated with a commanding view of the gardens and mountains, has all the luxurious amenities of the other rooms and a separate room with two bunk beds accommodating up to four children.



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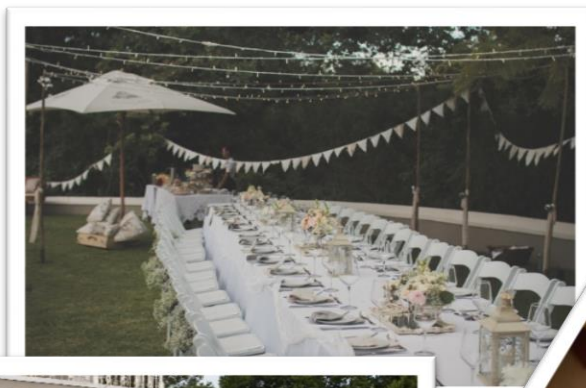




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Wedding Ceremony & Reception

The Wedding Ceremony may be held in the garden, on the steps of the manor house or in one of the many beautiful churches in Swellendam, most of which are within walking distance of Schoone Oordt. Our bright and airy Conservatory Restaurant plays host to beautiful seated functions of up to 40 people. Alternatively, the circular lawn has plenty of space for a free form tent (max 40 guests).



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Menu Ideas:

Please do keep in mind that these ideas are for inspiration only. We love to work with you to tailor-make your own unique menu. We are able to cater to most dietary requirements, notably vegan, vegetarian, gluten-free, dairy-free, sugar-free... Our kitchen is unfortunately, not fit for Kosher or Halaal though.

Champagne Breakfast

Breakfasts at Schoone Oordt are made with LOVE as a 3-course set-menu affair. A welcome cocktail of local Cap Classique bubbles & freshly squeezed orange juice is served for each guest. Home-made granola, seasonal fruit salad, cereals, natural yoghurt, cheeses, artisanal cold cuts and freshly baked pastries & breads are served buffet-style to begin. Ideas for 2nd and 3rd courses follow. One of each starter and main will be chosen and served as a set menu to your guests.

Starters

- ♥ Spiced Baked Apples.
- ♥ Vanilla Poached Pears.
- ♥ Sticky Figs and Yoghurt.
- ♥ Oat, Pear & Cardamom Smoothies.
- ♥ Paper thin Crepes with Berry Compote.
- ♥ Minted Melon and Feta Salad.

Mains

- ♥ Our legendary Eggs Benedict, soft poached free-range egg on toasted muffin with crispy bacon or smoked salmon trout & hollandaise sauce.
- ♥ Marinated Mushroom and Slow Roasted Tomato Stack, served with bacon & fried egg.
- ♥ Goats Cheese Scramble served with local smoked salmon trout.
- ♥ Light & Fluffy Flapjacks with berries, mascarpone and candied bacon.
- ♥ Spicy Corn Fritters with salsa & crispy bacon.
- ♥ Feta, Rocket & Chorizo Omelette.



Menu price – R285 per person, and includes welcome cocktail, continental buffet, one starter & one main course. (Please note that some items are seasonal & not available all year)

Afternoon High Tea

Schoone Oordt lends itself perfectly to a lavish and decadent High Tea with vintage décor and fun lawn games...

Savoury

- ♥ Karoo lamb phyllo pies.
- ♥ Smoked salmon trout, cucumber, mustard sandwiches.
- ♥ Spicy red pepper, herb & chorizo mini quiches.
- ♥ Smoked salmon mini bagels with dill hollandaise.
- ♥ Mini Cajun grilled chicken burgers with homemade garlic aioli.
- ♥ Confit tomato tart with caramelized onion.
- ♥ Dukkah spiced polenta dumplings with roasted tomato salsa.
- ♥ Butternut chickpea patties with sweet chili dipping sauce.
- ♥ Ripe camembert skewer with green fig & savoury toasts



Sweet

- ♥ Scones with whipped cream and homemade jams.
- ♥ Macarons with vanilla butter cream.
- ♥ Salted caramel profiteroles.
- ♥ Luscious lemon meringue tartlets.
- ♥ Homemade chili fudge.
- ♥ Churros with white chocolate sauce.
- ♥ Dark chocolate torte with salted caramel.
- ♥ Traditional melktertjies.



Menu price - R225 per person and includes welcome cocktail, selection of teas and artisanal coffees.

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Delectable Dinner

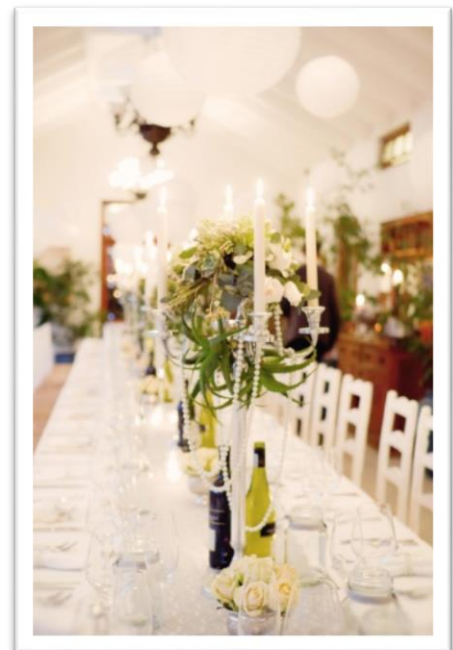
Our Conservatory Restaurant plays host to intimate delicious dinners either in our gorgeous Conservatory or more privately, in the manor house's cosy dining room. Your guests will enjoy a carefully prepared three-course meal or a sumptuous four, or five-course tasting menu with wines paired with every course. Please don't hesitate to enquire.



Canapé's served in addition or instead of a starter after the ceremony are a great "ice breaker" for your guests whilst the photographer whisks you away for pictures...

Canapé's

- ♥ Fish pops with lemon aioli.
- ♥ Spicy watermelon gazpacho.
- ♥ Grilled prawns with wasabi mayo.
- ♥ Butternut and sage tortellini with parmesan.
- ♥ Risotto and goats cheese dumplings with beetroot compote.
- ♥ Grilled courgette on bruschetta with bell pepper chutney.
- ♥ Raw vegetable spring rolls with peanut sauce.
- ♥ Moroccan spiced lamb cutlet with caramelized onion puree.



Menu Price – R125 per person.

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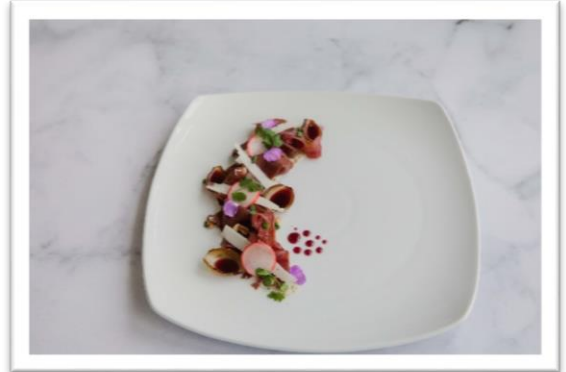
First Course

- ♥ Warm Spring Vegetable Salad, watercress, garlic 'cream' broth.
- ♥ Smoky Tomato Gazpacho, balsamic reduction, parmesan crisp.
- ♥ Lemongrass & Citrus Glazed Seafood, basil vichyssoise, spring onion, crispy leek.
- ♥ Kudu Carpaccio, biltong cream, pine nuts, charred onion.



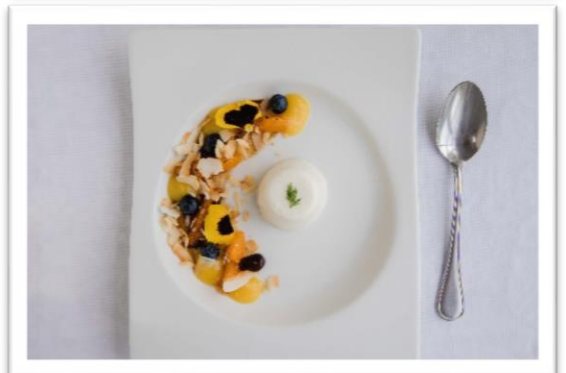
Second Course

- ♥ Local Trout with Green Beans, miso velouté, trout cake.
- ♥ Pork Neck, Charred Cauliflower, herbed mascarpone, beurre noisette, hazelnuts.
- ♥ Fried Halloumi, Spring Onion Croquette, lemon verbena cream, strawberry tomato salad, peppermint oil.
- ♥ Sustainable LineFish, Coriander, vanilla butter, sweetcorn, lime & grapes.
- ♥ Grass Fed Beef Fillet, Goats Cheese Barley, beetroot, peas, shiraz jus.
- ♥ Wild Mushroom Risotto, parsley, chives, truffle.
- ♥ Rooibos Infused Quail, parmesan gnocchi, celery fricassee, jus.



Last Course

- ♥ White Chocolate & Strawberries, pliable white chocolate, strawberry textures, rosemary shortbread
- ♥ Yoghurt & Liquorice, blueberries, oranges.
- ♥ Lemon Verbena Cheesecake, pistachio biscuit, cream, fresh seasonal fruit.
- ♥ Apple Crumble Tart, homemade custard ice-cream.
- ♥ Local Cheese Plattter, red pepper chutney, handcrafted cheese biscuits



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Menu price – R 450 per person and includes a choice of one starter, one main and one dessert, selection of teas or artisanal coffees and hand-crafted truffles or macarons.

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Bar & Beverages

A fully stocked bar is available in our lounge area. The choice of a cash or open bar is available. Delicious wines are sourced from the celebrated verdant regions surrounding Swellendam, Robertson and Hermanus.

Regrettably, no liquor or beverages may be brought onto the property other than sparkling wine at an additional corkage fee of R 50 per bottle, provided this has been organised prior to your special day.

Ideas for signature cocktails

- ♥ Pina Colada - a tropical blend of pineapple, rum, & coconut.
- ♥ Frozen Margarita - blend of tequila, lemon juice, with a hint of lime over crushed ice.
- ♥ Youngberry Martini – gin, vermouth, youngberry liqueur.
- ♥ Kir Royal – cherry liqueur, cap classique bubbles.



Costs

Accommodation:

Each wedding or function requires the exclusive reservation of all rooms for two evenings at the current rate, plus a venue hire of R15 000.00 for a maximum of 40 guests. The venue hire includes tables, chairs, crockery, cutlery and basic table linen. Any additional décor, flowers or special requests shall be an additional cost.

Accommodation and breakfast on both mornings is included for up to 22 adults and respective children. Kindly enquire about our rates for the dates required.

Day one:

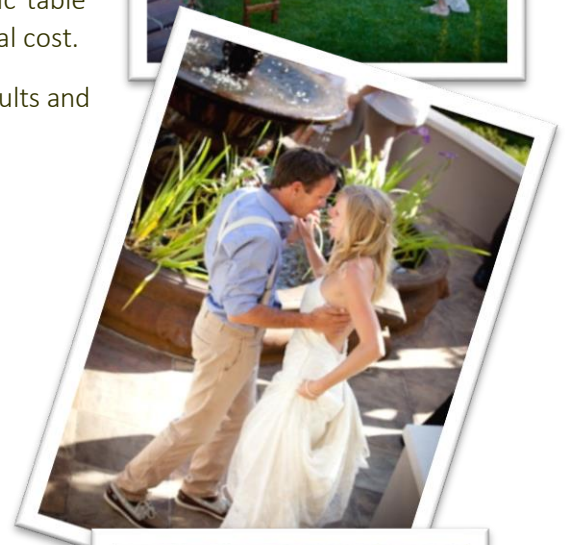
- ♥ Guests staying with us are welcome to check in from 2pm.
- ♥ Guests are personally greeted and checked into their room, then treated to afternoon tea in the manor house.
- ♥ The evening is spent at leisure, various wonderful local eateries are available, please enquire. Dinner in-house can also be arranged with prior booking.

Day two:

- ♥ Gourmet breakfast served at guest's leisure.
- ♥ Ceremony and Reception.

Day three:

- ♥ Gourmet breakfast served at guest's leisure.
- ♥ Departure before 11am.





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Policies

Whilst we work with you to the best of our ability to ensure that your day is exactly the way you have foreseen it, we do have some basic directives that we need to adhere to in order to cover both of us. We do hope that you understand.

- ♥ We require a 50% deposit of the full accommodation, venue hire and meals to secure a booking.
- ♥ Cancellation of a confirmed booking within one month of the function date forfeits 100% of the deposit. Cancellation of a confirmed booking prior to one month before the function date forfeits 25% of the deposit.
- ♥ Full payment of the accommodation, venue hire, meals and pre-arranged drinks are due two weeks prior to the function date. Please ensure that final rooming list is sent through forty-eight hours ahead of the function.
- ♥ We are based in a residential area and reserve the right to regulate the music during a function. Music ends at midnight. We also reserve the right to ask a disruptive person to leave if necessary.
- ♥ The bar closes at midnight and the venue half an hour thereafter. By law we are not allowed to serve liquor to persons under the age of eighteen.
- ♥ Legislation prohibits smoking in public areas.
- ♥ Any breakages or damages of any kind are for the client's account.
- ♥ Unfortunately, we cannot take responsibility for outdoor functions and the guest remains responsible for costs incurred due to changes to the function because of inclement weather.
- ♥ The owners, management and staff are not able to accept any liability for loss, damage or injury, howsoever arising, suffered by or to any person or property whilst visiting Schoone Oordt Country House.
- ♥ Please ensure that final numbers are sent through to Schoone Oordt Country House seven days prior to the function. We are not able to adjust the final numbers after that.

