

# Nisbet

PLANTATION BEACH CLUB  
NEVIS, WEST INDIES

*What could be more romantic than a wedding at an historic Caribbean island sugar plantation?*

Set on a quiet, tropical volcanic island that was at one time a bustling hub of colonial commerce, Nisbet Plantation was the home of Fanny Nisbet, the wife of British Naval hero Lord Horatio Nelson. In 1785, 25 year old Frances was introduced by her father to the dashing Naval officer and the rest, as they say, is history.

You can begin your own history right here at Nisbet Plantation. On 30 acres of well-groomed property brimming with coconut palms and tropical flowers, Nisbet is the only Caribbean plantation located on its own private beach. Weddings can be performed anywhere on the property, from the half-mile long white sand beach to the sweet garden near the Great House.



Our wedding planner will help you design a custom wedding that is personal and perfect. Every wedding here at Nisbet Plantation is different. Whether you choose a casual wedding with a beach barbeque reception or a more traditional wedding with a sit down reception in our Great House, we want you to be able to enjoy each other and your guests on your very special day.

# *Preparations*

To have a wedding in Nevis, there are a few requirements and necessary documents you must bring:

- Passport or birth certificate
- Spending two working days on the island before the wedding
- Original documents: divorce decree absolute, affidavit stating single status or death certificate of previous spouse, whichever is applicable

Once you arrive at Nisbet, we will accompany you to nearby Charlestown to process your paperwork and obtain your marriage license. Though life on the island is unhurried, the process takes only about 20 minutes.

On our return to the hotel, our wedding planner will take you on a walk around the property so that you can decide on the location of your ceremony. We have a wedding album with photos of previous weddings so you can get an idea of available options.

Next, you will decide upon the general format of the ceremony. You will choose when you would like to have your massages that are part of the wedding package. Most couples opt for the morning of the ceremony – it does wonders for nervous grooms.

You will decide upon the colors for the wedding cake, bouquet, decorated arch, if desired, and any boutonniere for the groom. There is no extra charge for the colorful flowers from our grounds, but if you require special varieties that are not from our grounds they need to be ordered in advance from our island florist.

If you have guests, we will help you plan your reception including the location, menu, wine list, and music. If it is just the two of you, you can be seated in the Great House with the rest of our guests.

Photography is provided as part of your wedding package, but additional photos and even a wedding video can be arranged.

With only 36 rooms in 1 cottages dotting the grounds, Nisbet Plantation has a feeling of intimacy no matter how big or small your wedding.

# Ceremony Locations



Most of our couples choose to be married right on our private white sand beach under a beautiful floral arch with the sea and sky as a backdrop. Nisbet Plantation has a half mile private beach so it is easy to establish the perfect spot, away from any vacationers.

The charming little garden beside our Great House is perfect for small weddings. This small secluded garden with its ancient stone hearth is where Anguillans once prepared their daily meals. Filled with flowers and the faint air of domesticity, it is a good omen for beginning a new family.

Another very popular location is the center of our Avenue of the Palms – a stunning grassy avenue lined with majestic coconut palms leading from our Great House directly to the ocean.

The old stone windmill right in front of the Great House is another location option. The winding steps lead up to the old ruins where sugar cane was once reduced to pulp to extract its sweet juice. With a sense of history and a bit of mystery, the space is suitable for very small weddings.

During your ceremony the Pastor or Magistrate will read a short scripture or reading and then proceed with the wedding vows. Once the vows and ring exchange are complete, you will toast with champagne and cut the cake.



The ceremony takes approximately thirty minutes, including the wedding photographs afterwards. Two witnesses will need to sign the registrar book after the ceremony; if you have guests they may sign, otherwise our wedding planner and another staff member of your choosing may sign.

*"Everything we could image and then some!"*

-Jeannine & Jeremy Blyth,  
Pittsburg, PA 06-Jun-04

## Events

Nisbet Plantation prides itself on its fine food and friendly professional service that sets us apart from other resorts. We can arrange a number of events to make your celebration special. From rehearsal dinners to bridal luncheons and farewell breakfasts, we promise you a memorable experience.

Whether you choose a simple cocktail reception, a casual barbeque on the beach or a gourmet sit-down dinner in the Great House, your wedding feast will be memorable. We will customize the menu to your specifications.

There is an event fee for set up and catering and a per person fee which our wedding planner will discuss with you as you make your menu selections.

If it is just the two of you, we can seat you with our other hotel guests in our Great House dining room with its high ceilings, striking mahogany tables and tropical ceiling fans that bespeak of a gentler era. We can also arrange a private seating in the Great House for larger weddings.



# Sample Menus

We welcome the opportunity to customize a menu according to your own personal taste. Our Wedding Planner will present you with suggestions based on the freshest foods in season. Please see two different sample menus below.

## Appetizer

*Lobster and Seafood Brochette, Coconut and Ginger Sauce*  
or  
*Artichoke Bottoms, Asparagus Spears, Feta Cheese, Pesto Oil*  
or  
*Jerk Smoked Chicken Supreme, Mango Papaya Relish*

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## Soup

*Pumpkin Soup with Cinnamon Croutons*  
or  
*Chilled Soursop Soup*

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## Salad

*Cucumber and Chive Salad, Yogurt Dressing*

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## Entree

*Baked Mahi Mahi, Tumeric Noodles, Orange Tarragon Relish*  
or  
*Lamb Cutlets, Thyme Mash, Passion Fruit Jus*  
or  
*Pear Stuffed Game Hen, Mini Red Potatoes, Caraway Sauce*  
or  
*Butternut Squash, Mushroom, Swiss Cheese Quiche, Red Onion Marmalade*

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## Dessert

*Wedding Cake*



Appetizer

*Applewood Smoked Chicken Supreme  
carved over Pineapple Chutney*

*or*

*Crisp Filo Parcel filled Goat Cheese and Herbs, complimented with a  
Cranberry Relish*

*or*

*Ginger and Lime marinated Mahi Mahi cordoned  
with Saffron and Mango Dressing*

*or*

*Pink Grapefruit and Melon Rose gratinated  
with Cane Sugar and CSR Rum*

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Entree

*Grilled Half Spiny Lobster Tail raised on Mixed Rice  
and coated in a Basil Butter*

*or*

*Beef Tenderloin set on Potato Cake served  
with a Red Wine Jus*

*or*

*Baked Sweet Pepper filled with Spiced Cous Cous  
on Calypso Sauce*

*or*

*Roast Vegetables bound with Penne Pasta  
and Mushroom Sauce*

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Dessert

*Wedding Cake*



## *Wedding Cake*

Our chef will be happy to design the cake of your dreams. As part of your wedding package, you will receive a cake suitable for approximately ten people, though larger cakes can certainly be arranged. You may send a photo of a cake design and our chef will oblige.

## *Photography*

Your wedding package includes 24 photos, available in either black & white or in color. Extra photos can be purchased, as can a wedding video. Photos and videos are delivered to the hotel two days after the ceremony

## *Music*

What is a celebration without music? Our flutist is very popular, especially with weddings on the beach. For after the ceremony we can also arrange a steel pan duo for a true Caribbean flair. And for your party, we also have an 8 piece local band that can play almost any type of music you choose.

## *Amenities*

A beautician is available for hair, makeup, manicure, and pedicure. Rates vary depending on what treatment is requested. The beautician will come directly to your room to do these treatments. These services can also be arranged for the mothers of the bride and groom as well as the bridesmaids.

## *Rooms and Suites*

A wedding at Nisbet Plantation is both a celebration and a vacation for everyone. You and your guests will love our charming plantation-style cottages and lanai-suites tucked among the palms and flowering shrubs. Relax in the sun with tropical breezes to keep you comfortable and the beach just a two-minute walk from your door. Intimate, private, and intensely romantic – no wonder Nisbet Plantation is considered one of the top ten most romantic resorts in all the Caribbean.



## *Legal Requirements*

To be married on the island of Nevis, the bride and groom must be on the island for at least 2 working days prior to the wedding in order for the paperwork to be processed locally. You will need to present current passports or birth certificates as well as originals of the following; divorce decree absolute, affidavit stating single status or death certificate of previous spouse - whichever is applicable.

## *Contact Us*

Nisbet Plantation has hosted weddings as small as just the bride and groom, and those large enough fill the entire resort. Our experienced wedding coordinator, Leonora Didder, will be happy to assist you with details, pricing, and even suggestions for planning your perfect wedding at Nisbet Plantation.

Please contact Leonora for more information at  
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