

# Wilson's Promontory National Park



## Wedding permit guidelines

Wilson's Promontory National Park is becoming increasingly sought after as a venue for wedding ceremonies and celebrations. These celebrations may have impacts on the environment and other park visitors experience. In an effort to minimise these impacts, all wedding parties need to obtain a permit in accordance with National Parks regulations.

### Ceremonies

Group sizes listed below indicate the maximum number of people allowed to attend a ceremony at the specified location and time of year.

#### **Norman Bay Beach** (recommended for larger groups)

Peak period (November to April)

- Weekdays - 100 people
- Weekend days & Public Holidays - 75 people
- Remainder of the year – 200 people weekdays & 150 people weekend days & Public Holidays.

#### **Squeaky, Picnic Bay & Whisky Bay Beaches** (suitable for smaller groups as car parks are small)

Peak period (November to April)

- Weekdays – 75 people
- Weekend days & Public Holidays – 50 people
- Remainder of the year – 100 people

Applications for group sizes larger than the above limits may be considered if car pooling or buses are utilised in the vehicle plan.

#### **Other areas within the Park**

Areas outside the recreation zone are generally not permitted unless the group size is 12 or less.

#### **Please note:**

The above figures include the wedding party, photographers, celebrants and any other person associated with the event.

### Receptions

Marquees are generally not permitted, especially on beaches, river banks or bushland. Underground utilities in the camp ground can make it difficult to anchor marquees adequately.

Receptions are generally not permitted within Tidal River campground. Applications may be viewed more favourably if the reception is conducted during daylight hours and the group size is small. Standard campsite group limits apply.

Unallocated camp sites can be pre booked throughout the year, excluding long weekends and the Christmas/January Ballot period. Sites at these times are allocated through an application process. Please refer to the Parks Victoria website [www.parkweb.vic.gov.au](http://www.parkweb.vic.gov.au) for further information.

Accommodation and camp site bookings can be made by calling the Parks Victoria Information Centre on 13 1963 or Wilson's Promontory National Park on 03 56809555.

Accommodation is very popular and often booked well in advance (up to 12 months). Please take this in to consideration when planning a wedding.

We do not close off particular areas of the campground/park for private use.

The group size for a wedding reception in a group lodge must not exceed **double** the bed capacity of the lodge eg; Baldwin Spencer 30 Bed Lodge maximum reception size would be 60 people.

Noise must be kept to a minimum at all times and all noise must cease by 11pm.

Beach receptions are not permitted unless the group size is 30 people or less.



## For further information

Parks Victoria  
Information Centre  
Call **13 1963**  
or visit the  
Parks Victoria website  
[www.parks.vic.gov.au](http://www.parks.vic.gov.au)

## Regional Visitor Information Centres

To find out about other attractions in South Gippsland or to book accommodation outside the Prom, visit [www.visitpromcountry.com.au](http://www.visitpromcountry.com.au)

or contact the Prom Country Information Centre  
1800 630 704 or  
(03) 5655 2233  
7 days, 9am - 5pm

## Caring for the environment

Help us look after your park by following these guidelines:

Firearms, dogs, cats and other pets are prohibited within the park.

It is an offence to feed, offer food or leave food out for wildlife. Feeding wildlife not only encourage aggressive behaviour in animals and is bad for their health – it could also be bad for your pocket, as a penalty applies.

All plants, animals, other natural features and cultural sites in the park are protected by law and must not be disturbed or removed.

Stay on formed walking tracks at all times.

Off road vehicle use (including motorcycles) is not permitted.

Please take all your rubbish with you.

*Please do not throw this park note away. Keep it, return it for others to use, or recycle it*

## Healthy Parks Healthy People

*Visiting a park can improve your health, mind, body and soul. So, with over four million hectares of parkland available to Victorians, why not escape to a park today!*



## Charges

Permit fees apply to hold wedding ceremonies, photography and receptions on public land. Normal accommodation and camping fees apply for all people associated with the wedding (including celebrants, photographers, etc.) who stay overnight in the park.

## General

Car parking, particularly during peak periods, is limited. Cars should be kept to a minimum. We encourage car pooling plans or utilising coaches or mini buses.

Use of confetti, rice & potpourri is prohibited. Bouquets are permitted but must be removed after the event.

Parks Victoria will only permit one wedding ceremony or reception in the park at any one time. More than one group will be permitted on the same day as long as the ceremonies or receptions are conducted at different times of the day.

Sunset or evening ceremonies and receptions will only be permitted for groups booked in to overnight accommodation. Day visitors are only permitted in the park until sunset. Groups entering on a day only basis will not be approved for sunset or evening events.

Glass containers, bottles or utensils are not permitted on beaches and beach access tracks due to issues with broken glass.

Power is not available.

Limited amplified music or PA systems are permitted if unlikely to have an impact on other park users.

One vehicle is permitted on Norman beach for the Bridal Party drop off or to transport elderly guests. A \$50.00 key deposit is required to access the beach. The car must be **removed immediately** after drop off is complete.

Permit holders must not exceed the specifications of the approved permit i.e. more guests or more vehicles. Doing so may result in the permit being revoked by an authorised Parks Victoria officer.

Permits must be made available on the request of an authorised Parks Victoria officer.

Wedding photography does not require a separate permit.

## Submitting an application

Please complete your Application form with as much detail as possible. If you are applying for a permit that does not meet the above guidelines but can display significant measures to ensure possible impacts are minimised, the Ranger in Charge has the discretion to approve the permit.

All applications will be reviewed and approved or rejected by the Ranger in Charge and you will be notified of the outcome by mail. If the application is rejected, the reasons why will be outlined referring to the park wedding policy. Applications can be re-submitted with amendments as advised in the letter of rejection. The Ranger in Charge's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

All visitors must comply with the provisions of the National Parks Act 1975, National Parks (Park) Regulations 2003 and permit guidelines at all times. It is the responsibility of permit holders to advise their guests of the permit guidelines.

## For bookings and information

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