

THE FORT COMMON

2025 WEDDING & EVENT GUIDE



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about THE FORT COMMON

The Fort Common is a seasonal, publicly accessible urban outdoor space open from May through September for all to enjoy. The Fort Common is host to weddings and other full-day events on Saturdays, as well as small scale events on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights during the summer season, while also being open to all for day-to-day gatherings.

The Fort Common can be accessed via a beautiful brick alleyway off of Blanshard St., and a wood slatted walkway off of Broughton St.



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Weddings AT THE FORT COMMON

Weddings at the Fort Common take place on Saturdays throughout the summer, from May to September. With the ambient glow of string lighting, expansive brick walls, and flexible layout accommodating both intimate ceremonies and full long-table dinners, we take pride in offering a canvas for complete creativity and versatility, ensuring a unique celebration for every couple.

Saturday bookings at the Fort Common are for a 10:00 AM - 11:59 PM celebration with next-day access until 10:00 am for full vendor pack up.

The Fort Common does not offer packages - your wedding day should be as unique as you, and to facilitate that, we allow host couples to work with their wedding planner to find all the right fits for their big day.

Consider us your blank canvas!

For more information & to arrange a tour please email us at events@fortproperties.ca



events AT THE FORT COMMON

The Fort Common is open for booked events throughout our summer season, from May to September. Our 3,000 sq ft space serves as an adaptable blank slate, ideal for celebrations such as weddings, birthdays, family reunions, corporate retreats, anniversaries... and more!

We offer bookings of up to 5 hours on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings from 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM as well as full-day bookings on Saturdays.

Bookings are considered on a first come, first served basis. Please note that not every event is suitable for the Fort Common. Please inquire with any questions.

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EVENT *coordination*

PLANNERS

In order to ensure that your event goes off without a hitch, all weddings and events at the Fort Common MUST employ an approved event planner!

We are pleased to provide a list of some of our favourite & pre-approved wedding planners, here:

[Heyday Events](#)
[The Good Party](#)
[French Kiss Events](#)
[Rock Paper Square](#)
[Rad Occasions](#)
[Borrowed & Blue Events](#)
[Details Planning & Event Design](#)
[Function Design House](#)

LIVE MUSIC

Not all live music is suitable for Fort Common due to electrical capacity and proximity to neighboring businesses. Acoustic performances or those with a simple sound setup may be approved, while more elaborate setups such as rock bands are less suitable.

Before booking a musician or DJ and placing a deposit, please reach out to us to ensure compatibility!





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fees & DEPOSITS

The following rates are in effect for May 2025 - September 2025. All rates are subject to GST. Dates are subject to availability.

Weekday Evening Events (M,T,W) (up to 5 hours access) - \$1,900

**Weekend Events (Sat) (all day access 10:00am - 11:59pm
+ following day access until 10:00am for vendor item removal) - \$4,200**

Rates include: Private access to the Fort Common, bistro-style tables and chairs for 80 people, one dedicated parking stall, washroom access (2 stalls), use of power, and overhead string lighting.

A non-refundable deposit is required to reserve the Fort Common. All remaining fees are payable 30 days in advance of the event. Deposits and fees are non-refundable.

OUR *policies*

RENTALS

Access to the Fort Common is limited to the agreed upon time listed in the contract. Please keep this in mind when arranging for rental deliveries and set up. We ask that all rentals, including tents, glassware and tables, are removed by the end of your contracted rental time (By 10:00 AM Sunday for all Saturday weddings). Failure to have rentals picked up by the designated end time may result in an overage charge back to you for time incurred.

DECORATIONS

The Fort Common will happily provide bistro-style tables and chairs for 80 people as well as overhead string lighting. You are welcome to bring in, set up, and take down whatever decorations you wish; however, we kindly ask that you refrain from using confetti, rice and single use balloons in the space.

CAPACITY

(layout dependant)

Seated Event: approx. 150

Cocktail Event: approx. 180

INSURANCE

Renters must obtain an approved event insurance policy, further outlined in the booking contract. Proof of insurance must be provided to Fort Properties at least 30 days prior to the event.

CLEANING

Hosts are responsible for removing all garbage, recycling and other waste from the Fort Common following the event. On-site disposal is not available.

WEATHER

The Fort Common is an outdoor venue with no interior space available. We make no guarantees regarding weather, and cannot account for weather. Due to the island's unpredictable summers, we recommend that you consider tenting for your event, particularly for events in May, June and September!



QUICK LOOK

for all weddings & events

THE FORT COMMON 

SIZE?

3,000 square feet. Courtyard with 2 red brick walls, one grey brick & one big white wall!

CAPACITY?

Seated Event: Approx. 150
Cocktail Event: Approx. 180

PLANNER?

Event Planners are a must! We are pleased to partner with local planners - you can visit our website for recommendations!

DECOR?

Use us as your blank canvas! We have tables and chairs for 80 people, plus 8 umbrellas. Also some string lights!

MUSIC?

We welcome DJs, string musicians & small groups. Out of respect to our neighbours and tenants (and bylaw) amplified rock bands are not ideal for the Fort Common.

WEATHER?

We are a fully outdoor open-air venue - tents are recommended for May, June & September weddings. 30'x50' and 40'x40' fit perfectly.

REHEARSALS?

While wedding rehearsals are not included with the venue booking, we are open to the public daily (May to September) & you are welcome to bring your wedding party down for a walkthrough before your big day.

CATERER?

You are welcome to work with any caterer of your choosing. It is important to keep in mind that there are no onsite kitchen facilities so caterers must be mobile.

LIQUOR?

You will need to apply for a Special Event Permit if you intend to serve alcohol at your event. The Fort Common is not permanently licensed.

CONSIDER US YOUR BLANK CANVAS

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