



To be Revealed...
STYLING

Styling an Intimate Wedding

**TOP TIPS ON HOW TO CREATE A
BEAUTIFULLY BOLD INTIMATE
WEDDING**

*Small space? No problem! Large small, less
guests? No Problem! Intimate weddings can be
just as creative and bold!*

STYLING A STUNNING INTIMATE WEDDING

Creativity, Atmosphere, Love and Personality...

Here are my top tips to consider when planning and styling your dream, bold intimate wedding wherever that may be...

1 // CONSIDER THE VENUE

There is actually so much more choice when it comes to choosing a venue for an intimate wedding but think about where is meaningful to you both

2 // GUESTS

Small, intimate weddings mean less people and there is a reason for wanting a smaller group of people in attendance so who do you want to be there with you on the day?

3 // BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

Intimate weddings might not always mean spending less money BUT what you spend your money on will be different to that of a large wedding.

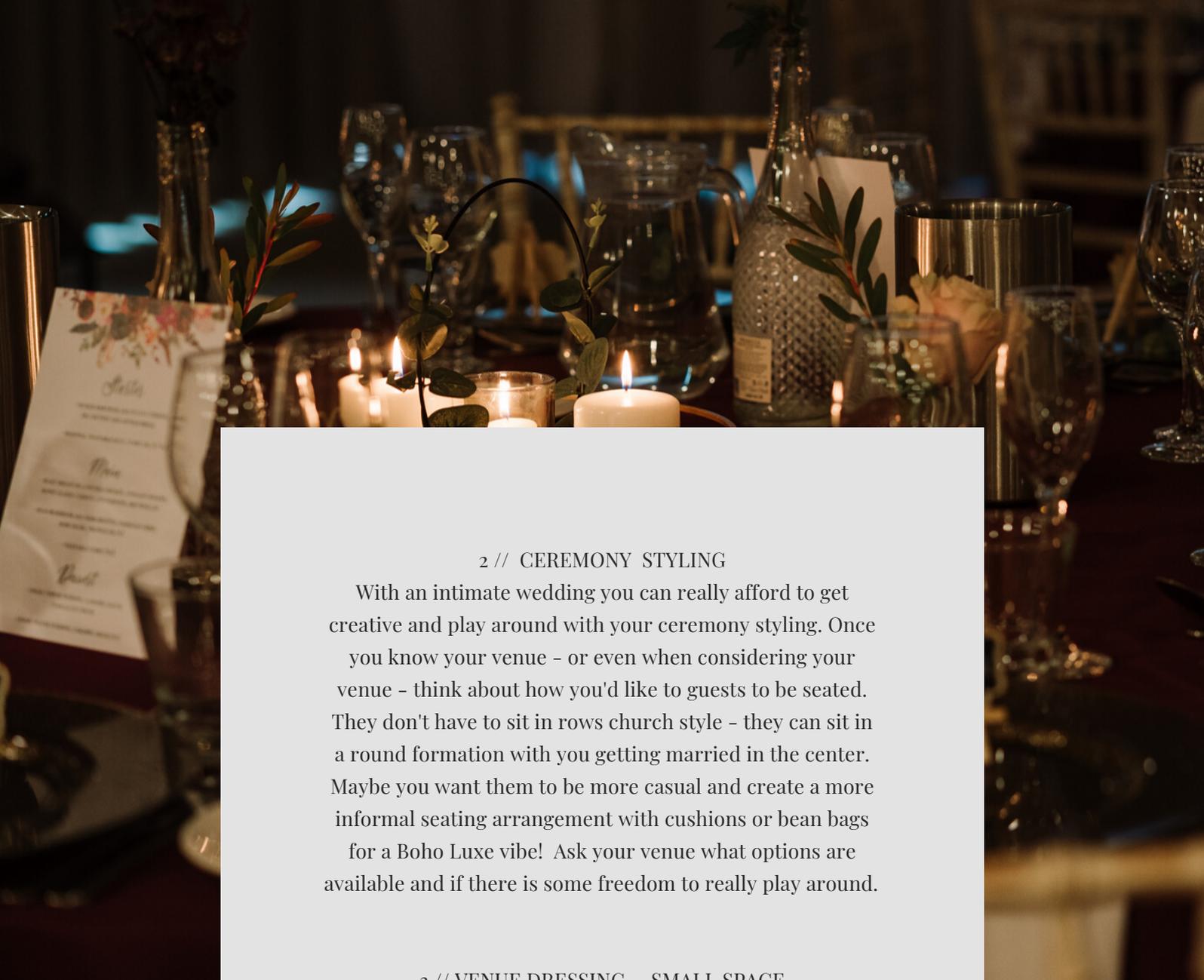


MY 9 TOP TIPS FOR STYLING YOUR INTIMATE WEDDING

Let your story unfold...intimate and free. Surrounded my those close with nothing to prove but your love....and a whole lot of bold style!

1 // VENUE CHOICE

Intimate weddings offer so much more scope where venues are concerned. Lots of insane venues across the UK are licensed for smaller weddings so really think about places that mean something to you and do your research. Not all venues are listed on wedding sites - especially more quirky alternative spaces so it takes going to places and digging to find some hidden gems. Are there any restaurants you love or small art venues and studios that you both love? I can guarantee that many of these places (even some coffee shops and cocktail bars!) are actually licensed for weddings. Plus less guests often means less restrictions. More space - more creativity! The possibilities are endless....



2 // CEREMONY STYLING

With an intimate wedding you can really afford to get creative and play around with your ceremony styling. Once you know your venue - or even when considering your venue - think about how you'd like to guests to be seated. They don't have to sit in rows church style - they can sit in a round formation with you getting married in the center. Maybe you want them to be more casual and create a more informal seating arrangement with cushions or bean bags for a Boho Luxe vibe! Ask your venue what options are available and if there is some freedom to really play around.

3 // VENUE DRESSING - SMALL SPACE

If you do decide to go for a smaller venue space to reflect your intimate vibe then you really need to consider how you will dress it so that it doesn't look too small. Think about the positioning of your styling elements - Consider the colour scheme and how you can use colours to open the space. Even if you love the moody vibe you can add in whites to balance out the colour and open it up. Think of the movement of the guests and where they need to be moving throughout and play around with corners.

4 // VENUE DRESSING - LARGE SPACE

Having an intimate wedding doesn't necessarily mean having a small space. You can absolutely go large on space but to make it feel intimate there are a few things you can do styling wise. Consider the floor to ceiling height and whether you can draw that in by draping fabric . Using larger items as focal points also draws in a room so consider the positioning of your decor elements. Is there something you want to draw peoples attention too?

Think about the use of clusters with your decor. Trestle tables take up more space then round tables so play around with positioning them. You could even create unique spaces within the space such as a lounge area, a mini bar or even a dessert station. It's all about placement.

5 // BE PERSONAL

Having less guests means you have a little more in your budget to be more personal where your guests are concerned. Add in little touches that make the guests feel extra special. Personalise items with their names on - and not just place settings. Create personalised welcome packs or small gifts. After all, these people are the most important in the world to you so show how much you appreciate them by really digging into a personal touch.

Other than personal touches with your guests - what about personal things to yourselves? What do you love? What is it that shows you off as a couple and encapsulates who you are? If records are your thing find ways to incorporate them...Table settings? A record player and records so your guests can choose their music? It could be your favourite foods served just how you like it. Personal touches can often get lost at larger weddings so get playing around.





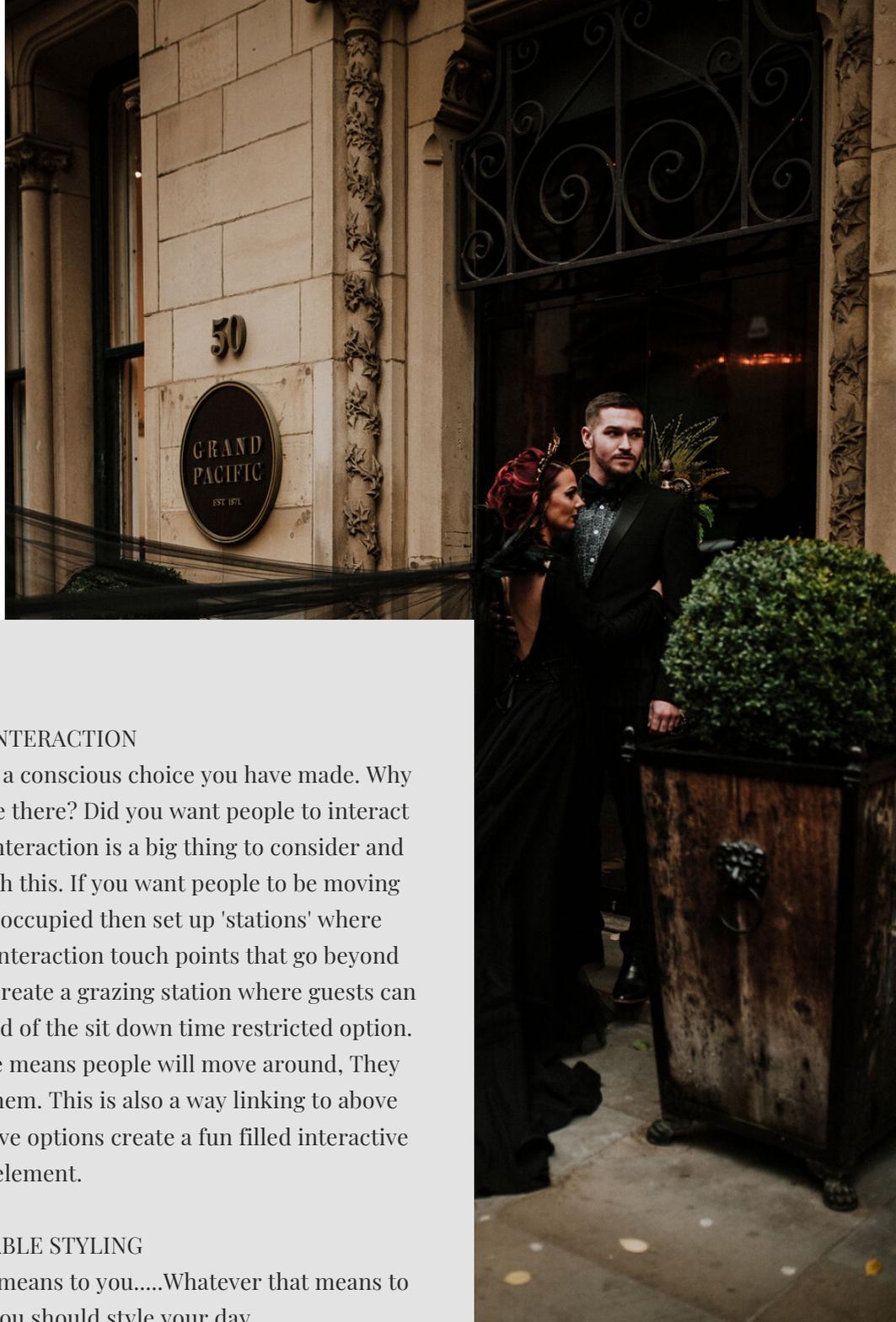
6 // RE-THINK TRADITIONS

Ok, this one might be difficult if you have a lot of opinionated guests BUT remember this is YOUR day. Traditions are often outdated now and so many don't reflect couples at all. So - consider all the things you think you love about traditional weddings and keep those but absolutely get rid of anything that makes you cringe or you simply don't want!

Take a little time to think about the traditions you have made as a couple. Anything from a regular Friday pizza night to how you always celebrate your anniversaries a certain way or you always go to see a certain band play religiously because they are your favourites. All these things can absolutely be brought into your wedding. Do you want to serve your guests pizza whilst sat in a little den? Do you want everyone to do a shot instead of having a glass of bubbly through the speeches? Then DO IT! Don't do things you will look back on and cringe over for all the bad reasons.

7// ATMOSPHERE

Smaller, intimate weddings will automatically have a different atmosphere to a larger wedding but what do you want you and your guests to feel? When you walk into your ceremony how do you want to feel inside? This is one of my favourite things to discuss when styling. Creating atmosphere is utilising things such as lighting and colours to give off an emotion and feeling. Consider your colours - how will your colours make you feel? If you want to create a cosy warm atmosphere then darker colours are often the way to go. Lots of candle light and warmer lighting options. If you want to create a relaxed Boho vibe then consider what people will sit on. Adding in plants and choosing softer lighter tones mixed with lots of natural light can create a relaxed feel.



8 // INTERACTION

An intimate, smaller wedding is a conscious choice you have made. Why did you want to have less people there? Did you want people to interact more and for it to feel closer. Interaction is a big thing to consider and your styling can really help with this. If you want people to be moving around and constantly being occupied then set up 'stations' where guests can mingle. Give them interaction touch points that go beyond signing a guestbook. You could create a grazing station where guests can keep going back for more instead of the sit down time restricted option. Styling areas within your space means people will move around, They want to see what is there for them. This is also a way linking to above where lounge areas and self serve options create a fun filled interactive element.

9 // TABLE STYLING

Think what the word 'intimate' means to you.....Whatever that means to you both is how you should style your day.

A sure way to create intimacy on a table setting is to mix textures and light. Candles instantly provide an intimacy that other light can't. Mix textures on your table up in different ways. Layer a ruffled fabric runner on top of another to draw in the space. Fill with candles and flowers of different heights for a stunning close knit style. You might even consider a sweetheart table for yourselves to create your own personal intimacy. Just the two of you sat together looking out at the rest of your guests. Use some larger elements around the bottoms of the table to allow you to have privacy but also be a focal point for your guests to view.



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If you'd love to discuss more about how to style your Intimate Wedding then i would love to hear from you.

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