



Getting engaged during these – yes THAT word – unprecedented times, can feel a little strange, and make you feel uncertain about putting plans in place. Wedding planning is normally stressful anyway, but this adds another dimension that may have you screaming and tearing your hair out, but it's OK – you've got this!

One thing I have learnt from the chaos that disrupted the wedding industry in 2020, is that the wedding landscape has changed.

Being forced to cut numbers down has made people totally re-evaluate who is most important to them. Faced with maximums of 20-30 people, mean some have had to make some hard decisions about who they wanted there with them on the day.

We have also seen the rise of micro-weddings by choice. Their popularity was already growing prior to Covid-19. There is much to appreciate about smaller weddings, but what difference can it make?

Cost – can mean significant savings and allowing you to spoil your selected guests and stay within your budget. Planning is also going to be significantly easier with smaller guest lists

Quality time – you have more of a chance to really interact with everyone there instead of trying to get around everyone and inevitably missing people out.

Relaxed – it is a far more relaxed vibe and offers more freedom from formalities, although you can of course still include whatever you want, so you don't need to miss out on the garter toss or first dance if you want them. Also if you are the sort of people that are naturally more introverted and dislike the thought of standing up in front of lots of guests, a micro wedding will eliminate those big day nerves.

Some feel a micro wedding allows them to enjoy the day more, embody the true meaning of the day, marrying their soulmate. A micro wedding means you can be surrounded by the people you love without the big costs and planning.

As a Marriage Celebrant, my goal for the year is to work with more couples with these gorgeous ceremonies. I am looking forward to embracing the micro-weddings and elopements in 2021!

So to begin with, I am curious, what are the biggest issues you have come across with your planning or decisions?

How are you already picturing your wedding day? Do you have an idea when and where, or did you need help with inspiration?

If you are feeling overwhelmed or unsure, let's have a [chat!](#)