

# Lithuanian Weddings









#### **Wedding Reception**

Wedding receptions in Lithuania are often grand and go on for several hours. The reception is held after the wedding ceremony, and it can take place in a variety of locations:

- Restaurants
- Hotels
- Personal Homes

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The wedding party is usually made up of close family members and friends. The number of guests can vary from 50 to 200. Typically, the reception lasts for around six hours, with plenty of food, drinks, music and dancing.









#### **Wedding Decorations**

The decorations for a wedding reception in Lithuania are often quite elaborate. They usually include flowers, table runners, place cards and other decorative items. Some couples choose to stick to a traditional style while others opt for a more modern look.









# **Decoration Examples**











The tables are laid with plate after plate of food and wine. Platters of snacks are put in every corner.

Despite the delicious array of cold dishes already available, a hot course is served – a meat-and-side course.





But the party doesn't end when you go to bed. The following morning, the cold platters are again laid out for a breakfast banquet.





As snacks you'll usually find sweets, smoked and cured meat, sausages, plates of gourmet smoked and salted fish and aswell as arranged sliced bread, cucumbers, sweet peppers, and tomatoes.



The main course can be prepared with meat or fish. Sometimes, multiple types of main dishes are prepared so that guests can choose the option they like.



Šakotis - tall branched hollow pastry. A traditional Lithuanian dish, one of the most common desserts prepared for weddings.







#### **Wedding Programme**



During the reception, the newly-weds often give speeches, which are followed by traditional dances. There is a lot of emphasis on music. The couple and their guests will also enjoy a variety of games and activities to keep everyone entertained.



# Thank you for your attention!

