

what you get for the money

Budget:

\$150,000

LOCATION: ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA

NUMBER OF GUESTS: 100

BRIDE'S MUST-HAVE: CLUB-LIKE DÉCOR TO RING IN THE NEW YEAR

By changing your destination, you can stretch your dollar further. For instance, a venue just outside a major city can be a fraction of the cost.



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When Jenna and Scott held their nuptials on New Year's Eve, they knew a party-like atmosphere was a must! By having the ceremony, reception, after-party and morning-after brunch all at the same location, they were able to bundle a lot of expenses and simplify plans.

Jenna says her wedding planner was absolutely instrumental in the process because she only presented options that represented the couple's wants and needs.

The couple saved tremendously by having a destination wedding. According to the bride, prices for various vendors

and venues in St. Augustine versus other Florida locations often cost less than half as much. Jenna and Scott offer sound advice for when it comes to choosing a venue: pick a location with entertainment in the immediate area, is pedestrian friendly and close to an airport to make things easily accessible for guests.

Ceremony & Reception Site: Casa Monica Hotel, casamonica.com
 Photography: Dana Goodson Photography, danagoodson.com
 Wedding Planner: Sarah Grace with The Big Event, thebigeventplanning.com
 Gown: Priscilla of Boston, www.priscillaofboston.com
 Bridesmaid's Dresses: Priscilla of Boston, priscillaofboston.com
 Floral Design: Unforgettable Events, theunforgettableevent.com