

The Wedding Angel

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Belinda de Lautour has chosen the name of her company well ... not only does she provide a heavenly service, but she looks fairly angelic, too.

It all began when she helped to plan her son and daughter-in-law's wedding back in 2001. Her willing team of helpers became known as her "angels". Then, during the process of setting up her wedding planning business, her mind harked back to those angels and how she'd never have managed without them. It was then that Belinda decided she wanted to be an angel to other brides-to-be, to ensure their day ran as perfectly as they'd ever dreamt it could. Thus, The Wedding Angel was born.

Adding further strings to her bow is the fact that Belinda is also a registered wedding celebrant. I love the idea of having a celebrant and wedding planner rolled into one – you just know that because they're part of the ceremony and will be in attendance on the day, they'll pay even more attention to detail than usual. The Wedding Angel is also the local rep for Hayford's Stationery and Accessories, so you'll be able to find those cameras, place settings and candles you've been looking for.

Resident in Taupo, Belinda has a lengthy list of contacts in the region and so is able to source services and products that are guaranteed to be the very best the region can offer. Whether you need advice on accommodation for the bridal party or guests, help in sourcing the perfect dress, the right flowers or a table setting with a difference, tying down a venue that has special meaning, or ensuring your invitations are printed to spec and match the theme of your day, Belinda's little black book will reveal all. Entertainment, marquees, jewellery, catering, beverages, photographers, and even travel arrangements can all be taken care of.

Bear in mind, too, that you can opt to use Belinda's services to officiate as your wedding celebrant completely separate to her services as a wedding planner, and vice versa – choose one or the other, or both. She'll do as much or as little as you need help with.

Testimony to her dedication and skills is that fact that, having planned her son's wedding before launching into business, Belinda recently officiated and helped plan her daughter Nicola's wedding to Aaron ... you'll find their story in this issue! ♥

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