

APHRODITE STRINGS FAQ's

Here some common queries which should cover most aspects of a booking. If you can't find an answer here please do email us at aphroditestringquartet@gmail.com and we'll be happy to help.

Can you play outside?

Yes we can play outside but not in cold temperatures and in no instances in the rain, as this can be damaging to our very expensive instruments and our fingers will not work. Strong sunshine can adversely affect the varnish, so we will need a shaded area in this instance. We will always do our best to be near to your guests, but we do reserve the right to have the final decision on whether conditions are suitable enough to ensure our best performance.

What happens if one of the quartet is ill or unavailable?

Although there will be four of us on the day (three for trio), we have close friends and colleagues who can be called upon in case of illness and emergency.

How far do you travel?

We are based in Birmingham and we are happy to travel for an hour and half, for any journeys longer than this we would kindly ask for a contribution towards petrol costs.

Do you require food and drink?

We will need water to be readily available throughout our session. For engagements longer than three hours some clients kindly provide us with tea and sandwiches, but this is not obligatory.

When do you need to know my music choices by?

If your selection of pieces is from our repertoire list, please inform us two weeks prior to your wedding. If you would like music arranging specially for your day which isn't on our list, we will need to know before issuing a contract as this will take time and a small charge may be applicable.

What will you need on the day?

We will need four armless chairs (three for trio) with adequate space to move our arms freely. A space that is too small and cramped will hinder our performance and comfort. We will also need somewhere to store our cases and music bags whilst we are playing.

Do you take breaks during your performance?

For engagements of three hours and over we will take a twenty minute break at a mutually convenient time. Usually this is straight after a ceremony/whilst photographs are being taken.

Are you insured?

We are all individually insured through Musicians Union.