

The Emerald Ball FAQ's! (Frequently Asked Questions)

Q1. Are there assigned seats or just tables?

You choose the table you sit on when you book, however there are no assigned seats at each table. Maps for tables will be available to help you find which one you are on and table numbers will be on each display. Please be kind to your table guests, especially if two people arrive who are together, and the only two seats free are separate. GV Pride event coordinators will be available if you have forgotten your table number or are having challenges with finding your table on the night, or finding a seat.

Q2. What is included in my ticket?

Your ticket includes entry to the event, a 3-course meal, entertainment from our fabulous performers and a free gift.

Q3. What time do I arrive?

Doors open at 6pm, with the event formally starting at 7pm. We recommend coming before 6:30pm to get the most out of your night! The event goes until midnight.

Q4. Can I on-sell my ticket?

Yes, however dietary requirements may not be able to be met for people you on-sell them too. You MUST email gvpride@gvpride.org to ensure we are aware.

Q5. I'm an ally (non-queer) person, what's important for me to know in how to support the LGBTIQA+ community on the night?

This is a brave and affirming space for all people to be authentically themselves. Please be mindful of any unconscious bias or judgements you may hold, as well as being mindful of misgendering, using a person's affirming pronouns and heteronormative behaviours/language. It's important that all people feel brave to be themselves, welcomed, and included.

Q6. I have not purchased a ticket and would like to show up on the night. Are tickets available at the door?

No, tickets for this event will likely sell out before the event





Q7. Can I bring my child, nibbling (or niece/nephew) or friend who is under 18?

Unfortunately, not this time. The Emerald Ball is a strictly 18+ event. Head to our website to check out what all ages events are happening throughout the year.

Please direct any further questions to GV Pride through a DM on our social media accounts or via email, gvpride@gvpride.org.

Q8. What do I wear!?

The advertised dress code is "dress to impress!" and we encourage you to dress to impress yourself, as you being comfortable and feeling good is what matters most. As the Ball is, The Emerald Ball, some people might choose to wear ...

- An emerald or green outfit 
- Wearing bright colours 
- Something comfy that makes you happy and affirmed 
- Dressing in a costume with the theme, think Wizard of Oz, Wicked etc. 

You being yourself and feeling affirmed is what's important to us. 

Q9. Does the venue take cash and card?

Yep, both!

Q10. When will the bus I am booked on arrive and depart?

Bus drop off will be at the venue, with a goal for the buses to arrive no later than 6:30pm and leave at midnight.

Q11. How accessible is this event and venue?

Accessibility: The GV Hotel is an accessible venue for wheelchair users and those with mobility needs, with ramps at the entry, level flooring inside the venue and a mobility inclusive toilet. Although there will be bright lights and loud music, we have made sure to not include strobe lights. For our friends with sensory needs, there is a space available for a quiet moment away from the excitement. Prior to the event an access key will be emailed out and on our website.

Q12. Is there onsite parking?

The GV Hotel has an off-street parking area at the rear of the venue. There is also street parking surrounding the venue, which is not ticketed on a weekend evening. Please consider having a designated driver if you plan to drink and also come by car. Alternatively, car pool, arrange a ride, or get a taxi or Uber.

Q13. How do navigate not wanting my photo taken on the night?

Each attendee will have a wristband, and if you would like to opt out of photographs on the night, your wristband will be a different colour. If people are taking photos at the event near you and you are not sure how to ask them to not take photos of you, volunteers will be on site to help navigate this. Signage at the venue will encourage people ensuring they are not taking photos of others without consent.

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