

Wedding Mehndi Packages

The packages are grouped according to how far up the arms/legs the designs go. Within that group there are levels of intricacy for the design, ranging from the very dense to light. If what you want goes between two sizes, then you go with the 'higher' group. I have included some photos to give a definition of the design detail. Photos are not recent and not indicative of current design standard, just the best examples of density.

Packages

Group A design to just below elbows both sides, feet up to just below knees

1: densely intricate 575 approx up to 6/7 hours

2: moderate400 approx up to 5 hours

3 :light 265 approx up to 3.5

Group B design to halfway up arm both sides, feet up to halfway up shin

1 : densely intricate...... 400 approx up to 5 hours

2 : moderate 300 approx up to 4 hours

Group C design to 1 inch above wrist both sides, feet to 2 inches above ankle (measured from ankle bone)

1 : densely intricate 290 approx up to 3.5 hours

2 : moderate230 approx up to 3 hours

3 : light 160 approx up to 2 hours



Dense

Moderate



Light

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Additional information

Family, friends, and guests are not included in the bridal package costs. Wedding mehndi is done on a package basis so you can plan for your expenses, and we can take as much time as we need without rushing. The time estimates are realistic and allow some time for stretching and taking a break.

Having your wedding mehndi done should be relaxing – it is your opportunity to be still and reflect after all the frantic organisation that a wedding entails. Allocate someone to answer phone calls and messages while your henna is done. Remember the more you move, the longer it will take. What may seem like small movements, for example talking with your hand, makes a difference so it's important to be comfortable and still for best results.

We strongly suggest to have a second artist for guests if you choose a package that is estimated to take longer than three to four hours. Alternatively you can have your henna done the day before your mehndi party. This will enable you to enjoy the festivities more freely.

All other guests, family and friends are done by myself are at an hourly rate of \$90. The average strip design takes about 2-3 minutes (or up to 20 designs in an hour, if there is no wait time in between) for me to complete. Second artists may work slower depending on their skill level and their hourly rate will reflect that and may be lower.

Fuller hands for special guests will take longer, up to 20 minutes each design. We will need these people clearly identified.

Please use these figures to decide how long you would like to book for, and how much henna you want provided for your guests. For example, if you want them to have one design then allow 2-3 minutes per person, two designs then 6 etc. We prefer not to do four sides as it is considerably slower when the reverse is still wet which will cost you more as we bill hourly.

ADDITIONAL TRAVEL CHARGES MAY APPLY depends on package chosen and location.

Before and after care

Getting the very best out of your henna.

Avoid moisturizers for 24 hours on area to be hennaed. Have a shower prior to your appointment as you will not be able to get the design wet for some time. *Lightly* exfoliate the area during your shower. You will not be able to do much with henna on your hands, get anything you want done before hand. Wear comfy clothes that are easy to remove with two finger tips or wear pyjamas:)

Consider waxing your arms. Even fine hair can make intricate detail difficult to keep precise.

Some fake tans kill henna, so if you plan to have it, do it two days before or after your henna.

Keep the paste on for a <u>minimum</u> of 2 hours, up to approximately 6 hours. You can keep it on overnight if you wish. The longer you keep it on, the darker and longer lasting the colour will be.

Keep warm, but do NOT get sweaty while the paste is on your skin. Wrapping your design in cling wrap or anything else that will make your skin perspire is likely to ruin your design as it will melt together. Wrapping in tissues or long clean socks are good breathable solutions.

Keep it dry for as long as possible, 8 hours minimum, 24 hours is ideal. Water will inhibit the stain development and you may have disappointing results if you get it wet too soon. After this initial water ban, using a balm when you shower will help extend the life of the design.

Things to do:

Before:

exfoliate

clean

After:

warm

moisturized (avoid alpha-hydroxy moisturizers)

DRY

This is <u>essential</u> as water will inhibit the stain development and it will stay orange, or fade too quickly.

Things to avoid:

Before:

moisturizer

fake tan

After:

cold

fake tan

exfoliation

water

bleaches (e.g. cleaning products, pool water)