

reception buzz

# total takeover

Why stop at just a hotel ballroom for the evening when you can book the entire property for the whole weekend?

Wedding weekends are a fun and unforgettable alternative to a traditional one-day celebration. Kick things up a notch by planning the ultimate takeover and reserving the entire hotel just for your guests. These four hot spots are the ideal place to settle in.



### RANCHO SANTE FE, CA: RANCHO VALENCIA

This Southern California resort overlooks acres of gardens and olive groves. Forty-nine Mediterranean-inspired guest casitas (hello, private patios!) can be reserved. Prepare for some serious pampering—guests are awakened with fresh-squeezed orange juice. [RanchoValencia.com](http://RanchoValencia.com)



### SAVANNAH, GA: THE GASTONIAN

Reserve this historic house that has 17 rooms, plus exclusive usage of the parlor and formal dining room. Best of all, a full breakfast is complimentary, along with a selection of early evening wine and hors d'oeuvres followed by late-night cordials—talk about Southern hospitality. [Gastonian.com](http://Gastonian.com)



### NEWPORT, RI: THE VANDERBILT GRACE

This boutique hotel is just minutes from the bustling waterfront and majestic Cliff Walk of Newport, Rhode Island. Take over the entire 33-room mansion, giving your guests exclusive use of the pools, spa, gym, rooftop and two on-property restaurants. [GraceHotels.com/vanderbilt](http://GraceHotels.com/vanderbilt)



### SAN DIEGO: TOWER23 HOTEL

Looking for a minimalist retreat? Whisk guests away to the shores of Pacific Beach in sunny California. Forty-four lavish rooms are available. Best of all, guests have exclusive access to the second-floor deck, where they can take in views of the Pacific Ocean while sipping speciality drinks. [T23Hotel.com](http://T23Hotel.com)