

THE ULTIMATE GUIDE

TO CHOOSE THE

*Perfect*

VENUE





# Things You Must Do

During the whole process of looking and choosing the ideal venue for your celebration, you must keep these three things in mind:

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## Set up a venue **budget**

Planning a Quinceanera begins with creating a budget. After quick internet research and a few phone calls, you will have an idea of how much the venues are in your area; now you can allocate a percentage of your total Quince budget to the rental of the venue.

## Carefully go over **contract**

Once you have chosen a venue, kindly ask the vendor to give you up to three days to read the contract and get back to them with any questions that may arise.

## Finalize all **details** prior to Quince date

At least two weeks before your celebration, schedule a sit-down with the vendors to examine every detail and go over any changes in price and/or payments.

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# Things to Consider

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These factors will help you choose between your TOP THREE venues:

## Price

What do you get for what you pay? Does the price cover any services or is it just a rental fee? Venues sometimes offer great package deals including catering, music and decoration.

## Location

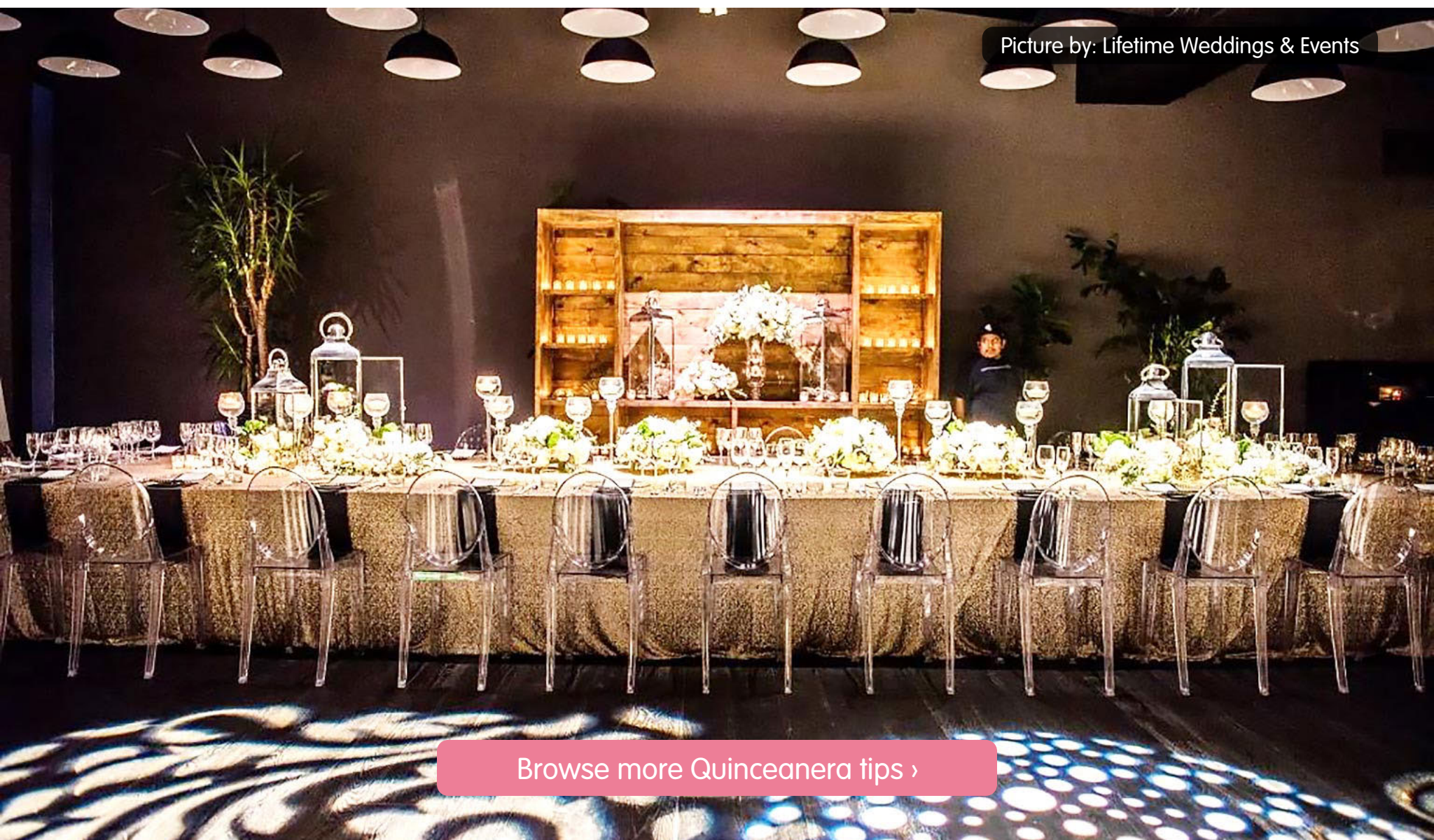
Is the venue located by a residential area or near main highways/freeways? Residential areas have curfews and noise ordinances. If located near the highway, consider the time of your reception to avoid traffic.

## Services Offered

Some venues have all-inclusive packages or a list of approved vendors for catering, music and decorations, while others are more flexible and let you bring off-site services. Check your venue's regulations and see what's the most affordable option.

## Capacity & Parking

Not only must you look for a site large enough to fit your guests comfortably and offer ample parking, but you also want to make sure it has easy access for friends or family members who have trouble walking or taking the stairs.



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# \$AVING TIPS



If you're willing to do what's necessary to stretch your money and save, here are some ideas on what you can do:



## OFF-SITE CATERING

If your venue allows it, skip their services and hire someone less expensive to provide food. Having someone in your family cook an awesome dish for your guests is a great inexpensive option.



## SELECTING A DECORATED VENUE

Picking an elegant hall can save you money in decorations. This, of course, depends on your Quinceanera theme as well.



## NO CLEANING CREW

While some include it in their prices, most venues won't tell you that there will be a substantial cleaning fee added, or that you could decline this service if you take the responsibility of cleaning up to avoid the expense.

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# More Saving Tips...

If you are having over 150 guests, we recommend hiring staff to service the restrooms and clean up after the party is over.

## Avoid Saturdays

Saturday is the most expensive day to have a party. Picking a Friday (or any other day of the week) will save you tons, not just in venue fees, but in any other party planning services too.

## Forget About the Alcohol

A Quinceanera is a party to celebrate a minor. Serving alcoholic beverages is not a requirement, it is more of a courtesy. This costliest courtesy can be waived by offering unlimited soft drinks.



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# Extra Costs

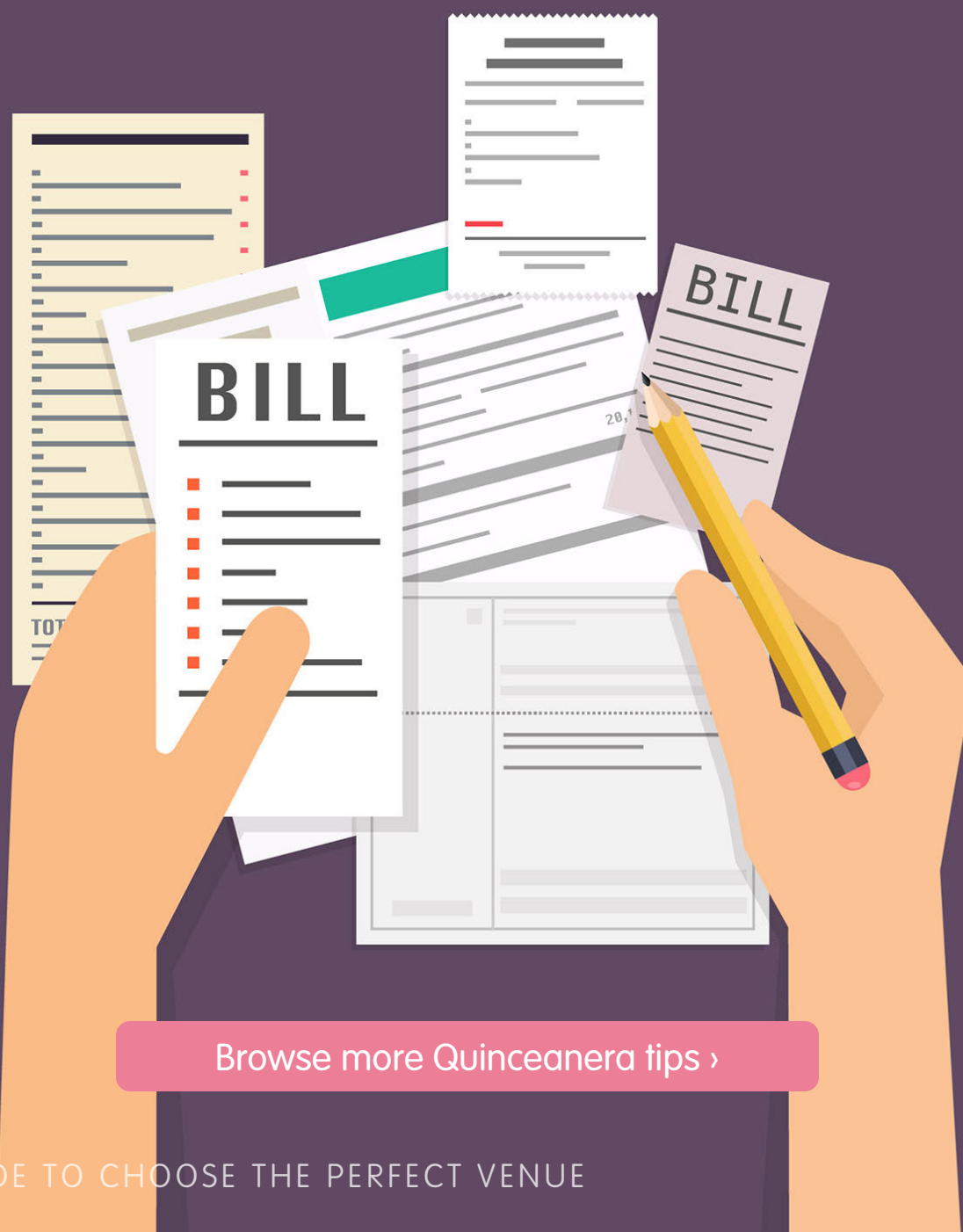
What happens when you get a "pending balance" bill after your party? If you don't carefully read the contract you are signing, you could pay a hefty bill at the end of your party. Ask your venue what is their stand on the most common extra costs some 'forget' to go over.

## SECURITY

Does the venue provide it? Are you obligated to hire a crew? (Remember the janitorial staff!) If yes, how many guards per each 100 guests? If no, what is the cost? Can you provide or hire off-site staff?

## EXTENDED HOURS

Most venues will give you two hours to clear the venue after your party is done at no additional charge. Some will even let you decorate the day prior, for Friday celebrations mostly. They could charge per each extra hour you stay. Make sure to ask and get the information in writing.



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# Extra Costs (cont)

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## CUTTING CAKE & CORKAGE "FEE"

Hard to believe, but venues that include food will charge a cutting cake fee if they are not the ones providing the cake. As if this was not enough, most venues charge their clients for each bottle of champagne or bottle of wine opened by their servers.

## EVENT PLANNER

There should be a venue representative present throughout your reception, should any emergency occur. However, some venues charge this extra as 'party planner services'.

## TAXES

The organizers at the event venue may provide you with an upfront cost of your event, but this will more than likely not include the taxes and gratuities. Tax rates vary per state and per service. When signing your contract, request the total amount to pay including taxes.

To be on the safe side, you can also request an estimate to be paid after the party in case anything was to happen so you allocate the amount prior to your celebration if needed.

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# Quinceanera Venues

## COMPARISON CHART

This chart is a helpful tool for your venue searching process

	VENUE #1	VENUE #2	VENUE #3
Price			
Location			
Hours Available			
Capacity			
Parking			
Catering			
Decorations			
Other Services Included			
Staff			
Extra Costs			

Booking a venue that fits your needs can be a challenge  
but once you find the rest it's a piece of cake!