

Guide to Up-Lighting

What is Up-lighting?

Up-Lighting is/are lighting fixtures and units used to set your very own event scape in terms of your décor. Lights are used to illuminate or set focus via color to Walls or objects. It turns a boring blank wall into a colorful oasis that sets the mood for any party or Theme. Colors can be set for the same throughout or colors can be changed intermittently.

How many up-lights are needed?

The number of up-lights depends on your vision for your affair and or size of your venue. We have provided up- lighting for hundreds of events, and our clients have used as few as 3 up-lights and as many as 100 up-lights. Here is a chart to help in your deciding what you wish to have or need for your event.

Seating Capacity	Targeted Accent Uplighting	Moderate Coverage	Maximum Coverage
50 people	4 – 8 uplights	11 uplights	18 uplights
100 – 130 people	4 – 8 uplights	16 uplights	30 uplights
130 – 200 people	4 – 8 uplights	20 uplights	35 uplights
200 – 250 people	4 – 8 uplights	24 uplights	42 uplights
250 – 350 people	4 – 8 uplights	26 uplights	48 uplights
350+ people	4 – 8 uplights	30+ uplights	50+ uplights

The general rule of thumb is to place lights anywhere from 3-6 feet away from each other.

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TARGETED ACCENT LIGHTING: This look is for clients who want to add interest with up-lighting without breaking the bank. Choose certain areas of your venue to highlight, such as your head table (2 – 6 up-lights), or cake table (1 – 2 up-lights).

MODERATE COVERAGE: This is the option for those who want to set the mood and create an elegant ambiance with up-lighting. This will add an excellent effect to your venue with moderate coverage. Spacing lights 10 feet apart around perimeter.

MAXIMUM COVERAGE: For the "WOW Factor" effect, choose maximum coverage. Lighting professionals refer to this as a "color wash." Basically, every inch of wall will be covered in colored up-lighting. This is the best of the best option for setting the right mood in making the venue even more beautiful and enhanced. Or, use a color wash to transform a drab venue into a modern, chic space. Space lights 5 feet apart around perimeter.

Maximum Coverage



Moderate Coverage



Targeted/Accented Coverage



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