

	<b>COST</b> (per individual)	<b>PROCESS</b>	<b>IDEAL FOR</b>
 <b>Simple Separation</b>	<p>Approx \$2k - \$5k each depending on number of services required.</p>	<p>For couples who want a respectful and fair process that is holistic, cost-effective, and stress-free. You will be personally guided by a team of Mediators and independent family law practitioners.</p>	<p>Civil and low to medium conflict couples who are genuinely committed to reaching agreement.</p>
<b>DIY</b>	<p>Minimal cost due to limited involvement of solicitors, however parties need to consider court filing fees, valuation fees, etc</p>	<p>This form of direct negotiation is a good place to start however can lead to unfair agreements and significant risks if legal advice is not sought, or legal matters are not properly finalised.</p>	<p>Parties that can communicate effectively and calmly, can compromise, and have very basic asset pools.</p>
<b>MEDIATION</b>	<p>\$0 - \$15k each, depending on the professional skill and background of your mediator, whether legally assisted, private practise or not-for-profit (means-tested)</p>	<p>A more amicable approach that is impartial, allowing you control over the legal outcome rather than a judge imposed decision. Parties need to source their independent legal advice and legal drafting of documents. A quick process however in a not-for-profit setting, there are long wait times.</p>	<p>Couples who are negotiable and want to settle out of court.  Not-for-Profit Centres offer services for families with limited financial resources.</p>
<b>SOLICITOR NEGOTIATIONS</b>	<p>Approx \$12 - \$30k each and can become very expensive very quickly (billable hours model can give nasty bill shock)</p>	<p>This style of traditional negotiation can remove you from direct communication with your ex but can provoke conflict when solicitors negotiate on your behalf. Response times to letters can be lengthy between lawyers causing frustrating settlement delays.</p>	<p>High Conflict couples who can't communicate, when parties are hiding financial information, complex marital pool of assets</p>
<b>COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE</b>	<p>Approx \$15k - \$50k each depending on the number of sessions and amount of professional advisers</p>	<p>A holistic and collaborative approach is taken that balances the needs, values and goals of you, your partner and the family. The involvement of a team of professionals will enable the family to create a tailored and long-lasting settlement outcome.</p>	<p>Parties that are committed to staying away from the court process, therefore saving both financial and emotional cost.</p>
<b>COURT (LITIGATION)</b>	<p>Approx \$80k+ each Taking a matter will balloon depending on the length of trial, the barrister who will be representing you and the cost of the solicitor briefing.</p>	<p>Long, intimidating, and stressful process that can have devastating consequences, both financially and emotionally. Outcomes are based on the discretion of the court.</p>	<p>When a party refuses to disclose financial information, refuses to settle or high conflict couples who cannot reach agreement</p>