

# WEDDINGS

AT SOUTHWEST MOUNTAINS VINEYARDS



## LOCATION & HISTORY

Southwest Mountains Vineyards has a rich history that predates its recent establishment. The property originally featured two barns dating back to the mid-1890s, both of which likely served as essential agricultural structures for the local community.

Unfortunately, one of these barns was destroyed in a fire during the late 1890s, leaving only the upper barn standing. This surviving barn continued to serve its original purpose, providing shelter for cattle and storage for hay and straw.

In 2013, the owners purchased the property and embarked on a significant renovation project. Their goal was to preserve as much of the barn's original fabric as possible, ensuring that its historical character was maintained. The primary motivation behind the renovation was to create a special venue for their daughter's wedding. Their success in transforming the barn into a beautiful and unique wedding location quickly gained recognition, and soon, other couples were seeking to follow in their footsteps.

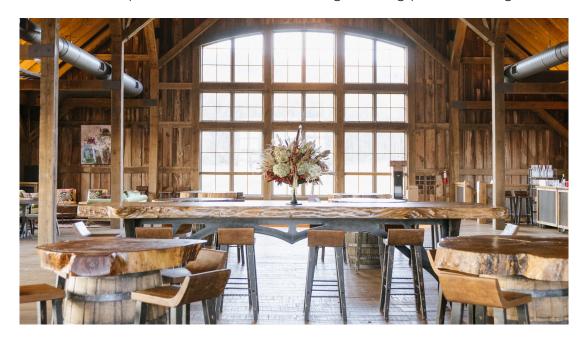
Today, Southwest Mountains Vineyards is once again a popular destination for weddings, reviving a tradition that had been lost for many years. The historic barn, with its rich history and charming atmosphere, continues to provide a memorable setting for couples celebrating their special day.



## THE TASTING BARN

Our beautifully renovated two-story barn, capable of hosting 180 guests, offers the perfect blend of rustic charm and modern amenities, providing a stunning backdrop for your special day. With spacious interiors that are both air-conditioned and heated, your comfort is ensured year-round. The 6000+ sq ft barn is fully equipped with a generator, guaranteeing that your celebration goes off without a hitch, no matter the weather.

Step outside onto our Trellis Patio, where bistro lighting casts a romantic glow over the evening, and the soothing sounds of our outdoor water feature create an ambiance of tranquility. Whether you're envisioning an intimate gathering or a grand affair, our indoor and outdoor spaces offer the ideal setting to bring your wedding dreams to life.



## WHAT YOUR PACKAGE ENTAILS

- House Tasting to sample wines
- Carriage House Bridal Suite
- Barrell Room Groom Suite
- Existing indoor and outdoor furniture
- Access to all in-house China, flatware, silverware, glassware, linen, and napkins
- 20 X 40 outdoor tent located next to the vines
- 10 X 8-foot-long tables & 10 X 5-foot round tables
- 90 bamboo-style folding chairs
- Access to 4 outdoor standing heaters
- Catering area for your caterer or vendor\*
- 15% off SMV wine\*

<sup>\*</sup>Setup, breakdown, and cleanup are the responsibility of your caterer and vendor.

<sup>\*</sup>Our wedding package requires that you purchase a minimum of 4 cases on day of event.

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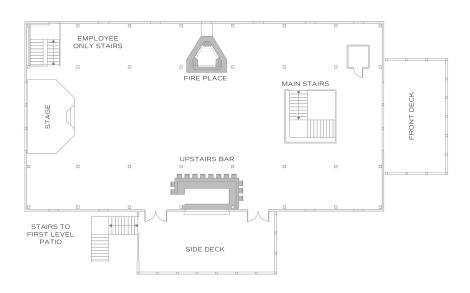




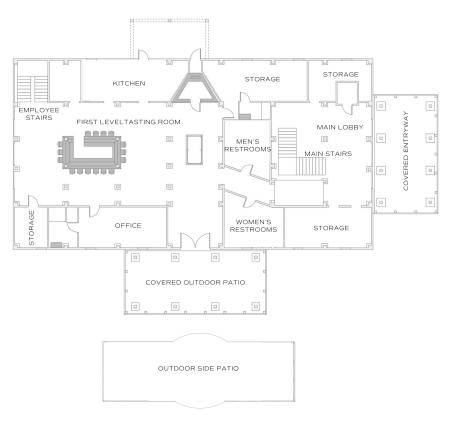


## THE TASTING BARN

## **UPPER LEVEL**



## LOWER LEVEL



## PRICING

## PREMIUM SEASON:

## APRIL, MAY, JUNE, SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER, NOVEMBER

Friday: \$18,500.00

Saturday: \$20,000.00

Sunday: \$15,000.00

## HIGH SEASON:

## MARCH, JULY, AUGUST

Friday: \$16,500.00

Saturday: \$18,000.00

Sunday: \$13,000.00

## WINTER SEASON:

## DECEMBER, JANUARY, FEBRUARY

Friday: \$14,500.00

Saturday: \$16,000.00

Sunday: \$12,000.00

## PREFERRED VENDORS

#### CATERING COMPANIES:

The Catering Outfit
C&O Restaurant
Exchange Events & Catering
Harvest Moon Catering
Bollywood Bistro Catering

#### **EVENT PLANNERS:**

Amore Events
Crowns & Eloquence: Kimberly Davis
Donovan-Groves Events
Hannah Rose Design
Laurel Elise Events & Weddings
Just A Little Ditty
Magnum Opus Events

#### FLORISTS:

Gregory Britt Design
Blue Ridge Floral
Tourterelle Floral Design
Beehive
Foxtail Cottage Floral

#### PHOTOGRAPHERS:

Jen Fariello Photography
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Rob Garland
Ashley Cox Photography
Jack Looney Photography
Meg Runion Studios
Rachel May Photography





## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### FOOD & BEVERAGE

- Wine Service: Only Southwest Mountains Vineyards wines may be served at your event. We
  offer a 15% discount off the retail price for weddings. A four case minimum of wine is required.
- Catering: We recommend the use of a caterer from our approved vendor list. They must be licensed, insured, and have proof of inspection by the Health Department.
- Alcohol: Liquor and beer are allowed with the appropriate ABC license, most of our approved caterers hold this license.

#### MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT

 Music Policy: Amplified music is allowed outdoors for the ceremony and cocktail hour but should not be audible past the property line. Live bands and DJs are permitted indoors. All music must end by 11:00 pm.

#### CEREMONY & EVENTS

- Ceremony Start Time: The Tasting Barn is available at noon on your wedding day. When planning your ceremony, please note that our Tasting Room closes at 6pm.
- Rehearsals: Rehearsals can be scheduled in advance during normal business hours (by 4pm)

#### DECOR & SETUP

- Furniture Arrangement: The large wood table must remain on the upstairs tasting barn floor. All other furniture may be moved by professional movers for an additional fee.
- Artwork: The art in the Tasting Barn cannot be removed or altered during your event.
- Vendor Access: You and your vendors have access to the Cottage at noon on your
  wedding day. Setup, breakdown, and cleanup are the responsibility of your caterer and
  vendor. All personal items and rentals must be removed by the end of the event. Pickup of
  any remaining items must be done by 10:30 am the following day.

#### BOOKING & PAYMENT

- Payment Schedule: A 50% deposit of the venue rental fee is due upon signing the contract. The remaining balance is due 30 days before your wedding.
- Cancellation Policy: Rental fees are refundable only if another event books on the same date for a higher or equal value.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS CONTINUED

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Dressing Rooms: There is an office space to lock any personal items during your event that includes a full bathroom. We have our Cottage House for one part of the bridal party, and our elevated barrel room for the other.
- Pets: Dogs are allowed in your ceremony but must be attended to throughout the evening. Pets are not allowed in the Tasting Room Barn during the event. Service animals are permitted.
- Send-Off Items: Only bubbles, real rose petals, or sparklers are allowed for your send-off. Sparklers (17 inches at longest) must be used outdoors with a designated receptacle for disposal. Wish lanterns and other airborne objects are not permitted.
- Signage: Posting signs directing wedding traffic is not allowed in Albemarle County. Driving directions are available on our website.
- Candles & Décor: Candles are permitted for décor but must be enclosed in a proper vessel and have no open flames. Taper candles are prohibited. Decorations cannot be added to or hung from the chandeliers.
- Event Insurance: Event liability insurance is required. A Certificate of Liability Insurance for \$1 million naming Southwest Mountains Vineyards as additionally insured is needed
- Parking: Our lot can accommodate buses and shuttles. Cars may be left overnight and must be picked up by 10:30am the following day. There are 75 paved parking spaces in our lot with four of those spots being handicap.
- Accommodations: Several hotels and bed and breakfasts are located within a 15-25 minute drive. Please refer to our website for recommendations.
- Vendor Meetings: All on-site meetings with vendors must be scheduled through the Southwest Mountains Vineyards event team.
- Outside Vendors: You are welcome to use qualified vendors who are not on our preferred list. Please coordinate with our SMV event team for additional details
- Your event planner will arrange for all décor setup and breakdown.

We hope this FAQ helps answer your questions about hosting your wedding at Southwest Mountains Vineyards. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any further inquiries!



## CONTACT OUR EVENTS TEAM TODAY

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