



ARDENWOOD HISTORIC FARM

2012 WEDDINGS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Please contact Kit or Jason Shires of Quantum Music Event Planners for any questions about your Special Event at Ardenwood Historic Farm.

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CAPACITY

Ceremony on gazebo Lawn

Max. Seated outdoors only: 225

Reception/Special Events on Poolside Lawn

Max. Seated Outdoors Only: 225

CEREMONY CAPACITY: The site holds up to 225 seated guests.

EVENT/RECEPTION CAPACITY: The site holds up to 225 seated guests outdoors. Private and corporate parties of up to 225 seated guests

FEES & DEPOSITS

Friday 5pm-12am \$2,200 (ceremony and reception)

Saturday, Sunday and Holidays 10am-3pm \$1500 (ceremony only) or 5pm-12am \$2500 (ceremony and reception)

\$300 deposit is required to book a Ceremony-Only (\$200 of which is non-refundable) \$600 deposit is required to book a Ceremony-and-Reception (\$400 of which is non-refundable); the balance is due 120 days prior to the event. If booking less than 120 days prior, you must pay the full balance at the time of booking

AVAILABILITY

Open June–October. Weddings take place Friday–Sunday. Call the Reservations Department for availability at 888-327-2757, option 2.

CATERING

Choose From List

ALCOHOL

BYO/ through Caterer

LOCATION USES

Ceremonies

Wedding Receptions

Special Events, Parties

SERVICES/AMENITIES

Catering: select from preferred list

Tables & Chairs: provided for up to 225 ppl

Linens, Silver, etc.: through caterer or rental company

Restrooms: wheelchair accessible

Dance Floor: yes

Bride's Dressing Area: yes

Accommodations: no

Outdoor Night Lighting: yes

Cleanup: caterer

AMPLIFIED MUSIC

yes

WHEELCHAIR ACCESS

Wheelchair Accessible

RESTRICTIONS

Alcohol: licensed server

Smoking: allowed

Music: amplified OK outdoors

Wheelchair Access: yes

Insurance: liability required

Other: no rice, glitter, birdseed, or confetti; children require supervision

OTHER AMENITIES

Patterson House, Hay Barn, Blacksmith Shop, Train Ride, Granary, Café, restrooms, Produce Stand, and wedding and reception sites. Most of the roads are paved and there is no significant grade changes

WHERE CAN I HAVE MY WEDDING CEREMONY?

Ardenwood boasts a fully functioning turn-of-the-last-century farm. The 1850s Patterson Ranch is a country estate with a beautiful Victorian Mansion and elaborate Victorian Gardens. This creates a stately backdrop for your wedding ceremony to take place on the lawn in front of our beautiful Garden Gazebo surrounded by Nature.

CAN I HAVE JUST MY WEDDING CEREMONY AT ARDENWOOD?

Yes, we offer a ceremony only package that allows you to get married at Ardenwood without having to book your reception with us. You receive a 5 hour rental period of 10am-3pm on a Saturday or Sunday which gives you plenty of time for photos before and after your ceremony.

WILL I HAVE ACCESS TO A DRESSING ROOM TO PREPARE FOR THE WEDDING?

Yes, your rental fee includes full use of the Pool site restrooms and brides changing room. The bride's room has a lock on it so you can leave your belonging in the room during your event.

CAN I USE THE HISTORIC PATTERSON HOUSE TO GET READY FOR THE WEDDING, TAKE PHOTO'S OR TO WALK OUT (OF) FOR MY CEREMONY?

Yes, for a small fee you can obtain a permit to rent the Patterson House for your pre-ceremony needs. The House is run by the City of Fremont and Quantum Music Event Planners can help you get in touch with them.

WHERE CAN I HAVE MY WEDDING RECEPTION?

The Patterson Ranch built the first concrete swimming pool in the country. Now it is filled in and covered providing the perfect location for your guests to dance the night away. The surrounding lawn will be set with your tables and chairs and there will still be plenty of room to set up a bar, buffett and any other items for the perfect reception. We call this our Pool Site event though you can no longer see the pool.

WHEN CAN I ACCESS THE FACILITY ON THE DAY OF MY EVENT?

Your rental period includes your set up and breakdown time. You can access Ardenwood at the start of your rental time and must be out by the end of your rental period. Your Vendors must follow the same access rules. Please contact Quantum Music Event Planners for more details and a timeline guideline.

CAN I DECORATE THE FACILITY?

Yes. Our Special Events Coordinators Quantum Music Event Planners will give you detailed information regarding decorations.

CAN I BRING IN MY OWN FOOD OR CATERING SERVICE?

No. You may choose a catering service from our list of certified caterers.

WHY DO I HAVE TO USE ONE OF YOUR CATERERS?

Our certified caterers have managed many events at our sites. They are familiar with details of the venues, our certified tent vendors, our staff and our policies and procedures. This allows you to focus on the details of your event such as menu choices and other planning ideas which will make your wedding very special.

WHAT DOES YOUR RENTAL FEE INCLUDE?

The rental fee includes use of the facility and grounds for the duration of your event, all tables and chairs within the facility, and day of coordination services by Quantum Music Event Planners.

HOW CAN I SECURE A DATE FOR MY SPECIAL EVENT?

Please call the East Bay Regional Park District Reservations Department at 1-888-EBPARKS, option 2. Phone hours are 8:30am-4:30pm Monday through Thursday and 8:30am-4pm Fridays. A deposit is required at the time of reservation.

DO I HAVE TO SCHEDULE A TOUR TO VIEW THE FACILITY?

Ardenwood is open to the public and can be accessed by paying a small fee at the entrance gate; However our Park Rangers that running the park during operating hours are not equipped to answer questions regarding weddings and special event so we recommend you contact our Special Event Coordinators Quantum Music Event Planners in order to schedule a free Thursday night tour. This way all your questions can be answered and you can have a full tour of the areas your event will take place in. Phone numbers to call Kit or Jason Shires (925)586-8316, (925) 708-4184 or email: kit@qmeplanners.com

AFTER I BOOK MY SPECIAL EVENT WHAT SHOULD I EXPECT FROM YOUR SPECIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR?

EBRPD will immediately refer you to Quantum Music Event Planners. QMEP is your special event coordinator for Ardenwood and will assist you in your planning. At any time after you reserve your date, QMEP is available to answer your questions regarding all aspects of your event e.g. decorations, set up, food service. QMEP will arrange for the on-site event planning meeting once you have chosen your caterer and meet you onsite with your florist, photographer and musician, as necessary. You will receive the list of approved vendors from QMEP.

CAN I HAVE A REHEARSAL PRIOR TO MY WEDDING DAY?

Yes. All Wedding Rehearsals take place the Thursday before your event and must be scheduled with Quantum Music Event Planners.

CAN I SET UP AN OUTDOOR TENT FOR MY WEDDING?

Please contact Quantum Music Event Planners for detailed information regarding tenting for your event.

CAN I SUPPLY MY OWN ALCOHOL?

Yes, but you must use our approved caterers to serve it. Details will need to be worked out with each individual Catering company.

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