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WEDDING & EVENT GUIDE



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Dear Prospective Guest,

As Owner & Creative Director at Paraiso Vineyards, my goal has always been to design a space that is welcoming, warm and perfect for celebrating life's occasions. That is why this venue is so ideal for weddings, because your special experience is considered in every element from design to hospitality. Our amenities paired with show-stopping views set the stage for priceless memories.

We hope after viewing the property and talking with our event team that you can envision celebrating your momentous occasions with us, because we would love nothing more than to help you create the event of a lifetime.

Warmest,

Jennifer Murphy Smith

Jen Smith



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



WHEN IS THE WEDDING VENUE AVAILABLE?

We only host one wedding per week during the months of August, September, October and November.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

The site rental fee is \$8,000.00

WHAT EQUIPMENT/SERVICES ARE INCLUDED IN THE SITE RENTAL FEE?

Five (5) hour site use (additional hours are negotiable)

One 80' x 40' enclosed tent with windows

Bistro string lighting over water fountain feature

Plenty of electricity

Ample on-site guest parking

On-site prep kitchen for catering

4-6 heaters (as needed)

Four (4) wine barrel stave cocktail tables

Five (5) natural canvas market umbrellas with stands

One (1) lava rock fire pit

Bridal dressing suite with private restroom to accommodate bridal party hair/makeup preparations

One (1) VIP portable restroom unit

You are welcome to rent additional equipment and décor to personalize your setup. There are other optional amenities, but this short list should help to give you an idea of the benefits we provide in our rental fee. Please speak with our event team to discuss additional amenities that are available to rent from Paraiso Vineyards, or refer to our preferred vendors list.

ARE THERE ADDITIONAL EXPENSES OUTSIDE OF THE SITE RENTAL FEE?

Tax is included in the site rental fee. We do require all our clients to carry day-of liability insurance. These policies can sometimes be obtained through your homeowner's insurance at no additional charge. Purchasing a policy through an event insurance company usually costs only \$150-\$200 for our requirements and provides a great amount of protection and peace of mind for you. We also require a \$500 security deposit paid via check 30 days prior to your event. This check will be held and then discarded after Paraiso Vineyards' final inspection following the event, assuming no damage or incidents occur. The only time you would be charged over and above the site rental fee would be if your event required additional staff services, rental hours or event equipment (discussed with our events team prior to event), or incurred damages.

WHAT IS THE DEPOSIT SCHEDULE?

To officially book an event, we require a signed contract and your first non-refundable payment of 50% of the total cost. The final payment is due 30 days before your event. **All payments are non-refundable.**

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WHAT FORMS OF PAYMENT DO YOU ACCEPT?

We accept all major credit cards and checks.

HOW MANY GUESTS DOES THE VENUE ACCOMMODATE?

You will be given exclusive use of the beautiful fountain terrace and a 3,200 square foot tent that covers a tiled area. Maximum capacity is 190 persons.

HOW MANY EVENTS ARE HOSTED AT ONE TIME?

We host only one event at a time and close our Tasting Room to the public the day of your event. This guarantees you a completely private, intimate and exclusive experience for your special day.

DO YOU HAVE ANY NOISE RESTRICTIONS?

Yes. As a legal outdoor facility in a residential neighborhood, all amplified music must end at 10:00pm sharp. There are no exceptions to this rule. All vendors and guests must exit the property by 11:00pm sharp.

ARE RESTROOMS INCLUDED?

Paraiso Vineyards is a working vineyard with limited waste disposal capability. One (1) portable VIP unit lavatory (with two toilets, two sinks) is included in your rental fee. This portable VIP unit is sufficient to accommodate our guest capacity, but additional toilets may be reserved for an additional fee.

AM I ALLOWED TO DECORATE THE FACILITY?

One of the many great things about Paraiso Vineyards is that you can personalize the venue by providing your own hand-selected vendors. You are also welcome to decorate, we just ask that all decorations are placed and removed within the rental time frame. The decorations cannot be secured with nails, screws, tacks, tape (unless painter's tape), etc.

CANDLES, CONFETTI & SPARKLERS

Candles are allowable, but we require that they are installed in accordance with the county fire code, in which all flames be enclosed in glass and 1 inch below the top surface of the glass container. All confetti is strictly prohibited, including rice, bird seed, glitter or other alternative forms of confetti. Any labor or cost associated with clean-up of decorations or accessories not authorized by Paraiso Vineyards management will be passed on to the named party in the agreement. Sparklers are strictly prohibited on the property due to the severe California drought. Hay bales are also not allowed. Our fire pit is available to use during your event; however, no roasting of hot dogs, s'mores or any other items is permissible. Please ask questions about any decor items prior to your weekend so you don't have to amend plans last minute.

BEVERAGES

Smith Family Wines portfolio selections are the only wines to be served at your event; we require a 2 case minimum. We will also allow beer & champagne. As our guests, you will receive a 15% discount on the wines you choose for your event. Paraiso Vineyards' hospitality coordinator and caterers will aid you in selecting the proper wines. Non-alcoholic beverages are to be arranged through the caterer. To protect our vineyard's licenses, we will strictly enforce a ban against underage drinking and non-Smith Family Wines alcoholic beverages being brought in by your guests. Wines purchased for your event, must be paid in full 1 week prior to your event. You may purchase additional wine during your event; however, we cannot take wine back for a refund. Last call should occur at least 15 minutes before the scheduled end time of the event.

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ARE THERE ANY CATERER OR VENDOR RESTRICTIONS?

You are welcome to bring any vendor, but they must be licensed and insured. Documentation of vendor licensing and insurance must be filed with Paraiso Vineyards prior to your event. We do offer a preferred vendors list as a suggestion. The vendors on our list are familiar with our property, services and restrictions. Their knowledge coupled with their individual expertise will help reduce the planning workload for you so that you can enjoy the process. Any vendor not on our list will need written approval from management.

WHAT KIND OF FACILITIES ARE PROVIDED FOR THE CATERER?

We do have a prep kitchen available for the caterers that includes a commercial fridge, stove & oven. The caterer will need to bring any additional prep equipment. When shopping for a caterer, we highly recommend choosing a full-service caterer. They will have the experience needed to cater at any location, no matter the kitchen scenario.

DO I NEED TO HIRE A WEDDING COORDINATOR?

We highly recommend hiring a wedding planner for at least day-of. Your site fee includes the services of a facility manager who will oversee the venue and all services provided by Paraiso Vineyards, but they are not a wedding coordinator. The management of outside vendors is the responsibility of the wedding couple. We find that many couples do not have the time or live close enough to the Monterey Peninsula to plan the special touches that will make their wedding day the event they envision.

CHILDREN POLICY

Please be aware that Paraiso Vineyards is a 24-hour working vineyard. Our hillside location and equipment can pose hazards for children. Our liability forces us to prohibit the attendance of minors under the age of eighteen. An exception can be made for children participating in the wedding ceremony—please contact the event coordinator to arrange.

PET POLICY

Pets are not allowed; guests with service animals must present documentation.

WHEN WILL I HAVE ACCESS TO THE PROPERTY?

Our staff will have all provided equipment set up by 12pm the day prior to your event. Your other vendors will have access the day of the event. Guests should arrive no sooner than 30 minutes before ceremony/event start. All items (personal, rental, decor, etc.) must be taken down the night of your event by 11pm.

WHEN CAN I VISIT THE PROPERTY?

Because we are a working vineyard and active event venue, ALL visits to the property are arranged by appointment. That also ensures a member of our event team is available to open up the spaces on the ranch and provide accurate information.

WHAT TIME CAN WE ARRIVE FOR OUR REHEARSAL?

You may come any time after 1pm for set-up and rehearsal. You will need to exit the property by 5pm.

ARE WE ABLE TO HAVE THE REHEARSAL DINNER ON SITE?

Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate rehearsal dinners.

I LOVE PARAISO VINEYARDS, WHAT'S THE NEXT STEP?

We're so glad you feel Paraiso Vineyards is the location for your special day! The next step is to place an available date on a complimentary hold. The hold will last 10 days and we'll send you the contracts to review. Ask any and all questions, contact vendors for pricing and talk to family and friends. Once you're ready to move forward, sign the contracts and return with your first payment.