



Blooming Hill Farm

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WEDDING GUIDE & FAQ



# T H E T A S T I N G

Blooming Hill Farm will host 1-2 tastings for each seasonal menu  
(Spring, Summer, Fall)

Tastings are scheduled between January - March  
(about 4-6 months prior to your wedding)

You are welcome to invite a maximum of 2 additional guests

At the tasting, you will also have a chance to sit down with our event coordinators to discuss the following along with anything else you may have questions about!

- Menu & Dietary Restrictions
- Rentals
- Vendors
- Decor
- Timeline
- Rehearsal

- Blooming Hill Farm does not offer private tastings -

# M E N U

At the tasting, you will have a chance to try all the options on our catering menu along with the wines for the wedding.

## ***When do I select my menu?***

All food & beverage menu decisions should be finalized 1 month before the wedding. If you have any special requests please feel free to ask for them at the time of the tasting.

There are sample menus available on our website for each season:

Spring= May-End of July; Summer= August-End of September; Fall= October

## ***Is dessert included?***

S'mores are included! We also offer house-made desserts for an additional fee per person.

We allow outside desserts, such as wedding cakes, to be brought in.

We do not charge a cake plating fee to serve Desserts from outside vendors.

## ***Can you accommodate dietary restrictions?***

We are happy to accommodate dietary restrictions for your guests when possible.

Please give us as much information and advanced notice as possible.

For guests who are vegetarian or vegan, we can provide a separate entree for them; however, there may be an additional per person fee associated with this.

# R E N T A L S

## ***Do we need to rent anything?***

Blooming Hill Farm provides: tables, chairs, linens, glassware, silverware, plateware.

Depending on your event size, we will discuss all necessary and optional rentals including heaters.

While we manage the major rentals for you,  
you are responsible for the cost of any outside rentals.  
We will put you in contact with the rental companies directly  
for contracts/billing information.

## ***Do we need to rent a tent?***

BHEC has a semi-permanent tent that will be  
installed for the entirety of the wedding season (May-October).  
The use of this tent is included in the venue fee.

Please note that a dancefloor and stage are not included but can be rented if desired.  
Neither are required or necessary.

# V E N D O R S

Your vendors are encouraged to reach out directly to us for any logistical questions or concerns they have.

## ***What time can my vendors start setting up?***

Vendors are welcome to arrive early to set up and prepare for the evening. Their arrival time should be coordinated with BHF prior to the wedding.

We will make sure that your vendors know where to set up when they arrive.

\*Please note: The barn and restaurant are not available until 2:30pm for any set up. We recommend that vendors set up all other locations first before setting up in these spaces.

## ***Do you offer vendor meals?***

Yes! Vendor meals are 50% of the catering cost. Please include vendors in your final headcount so we can include them on the final invoice!

## V E N D O R : B A N D / D J

### ***Do you have audio equipment?***

BHEC does not provide any audio equipment.  
All audio equipment (including a microphone for the ceremony and speeches)  
must be brought in by your band or DJ.  
We will make sure they have the necessary electricity set up.

That said, the barn and restaurant have speakers that can be utilized with an auxiliary cord.  
If you would like to set up a playlist for either of these locations,  
we're happy to allow you to use our system here.  
(Generally, this works best for cocktail hour in the barn or for dinner in the restaurant)  
DJs cannot plug into these speakers with their equipment.

### ***Do I need a stage or dancefloor?***

Since the flooring installed under the tent is a flat, dry, solid surface, a stage and dancefloor are not necessary. However, some couples prefer the look of a stage and/or dancefloor.

If you would like to rent either, let us know and we can provide you with a quote from the rental company.

# V E N D O R :   P H O T O G R A P H E R

## ***When can we arrive for photos?***

You're welcome to arrive at 2:30pm the day of the wedding for photos.

## ***Can we have our first look on the property?***

You're welcome to have your first look on the property the day of the wedding!

If you have a specific spot in mind for this,  
let your photographer know so they can prepare for the shot.  
If not, we can recommend a few on the day of.

## V E N D O R : F L O R I S T

### ***How can I arrange Blooming Hill Farm to do my flowers?***

We have an in-house florist and decorator.

The best way to contact her is via email: [flowers@bloominghill.farm](mailto:flowers@bloominghill.farm).

### ***Are flowers included in the price?***

The barn and restaurant will always be decorated throughout the wedding season for no additional charge.

All requests for bouquets, table arrangements, arbor decorations, etc, should go through a florist.

If you're working with Nadine, she will create a custom package and bill separately.

### ***Do I have to use your florist?***

No, you're welcome to hire any florist you wish!

If you are using an outside vendor for florists, please let us know if they are coming back the next day to pick anything items or if you will be taking home any of the items.



# T I M E L I N E

***When do we do our ...first dance, speeches, cake cutting, etc...?***

We will come up with a detailed timeline for the evening together at the tasting.

Below is a sample!

## **Day of Wedding Timeline**

**2:30- 3:00 pm** Wedding party arrives for pictures

**4:00 pm** Guests arrive

**4:15 pm** Ceremony

**4:45 pm** Cocktail hour

**6:00 pm** Transition to tent

Bride & groom introduction into first dance

Short dance set

**6:30 - 7:30 pm** Dinner

Toast and speeches

**7:45 pm** Parent dancing

**8:30 pm** Dessert served, Light fire pit

Cake cutting

**10:00 pm** End

The timeline can be shared with all other vendors  
to make sure everyone's on the same schedule.

# D E C O R

## ***Who sets up for the wedding?***

We encourage you to drop off any items that you would like set up for the wedding the day prior. We are happy to manage the set up of these items.

This includes but not limited to:

*Seating Chart / Escort Cards, Table Numbers, Candles, Guest Book  
Photo Display, Miscellaneous Decor*

You are welcome to use the decor that we have on the farm:

*Chalkboard Signs  
Arbors for the Ceremony  
Wooden Vegetable Crates*

We'll touch base about a month before the wedding to go over a decor plan for the day.

## ***Who cleans up after the wedding?***

We will take care of the break down and clean up after the party.  
We can pack up the items that you dropped off before the wedding  
for you to pick the following morning.

We ask that you take all of your gifts and cards with you the night of the wedding!

We are not responsible for any items left behind or damaged.

# C E R E M O N Y

## ***Do we need a microphone for the ceremony?***

We recommend weddings over 50 guests have a microphone and a speaker set up for the ceremony.

BHEC does not provide audio equipment.  
Most DJs/Bands have the necessary set up to provide this equipment for you.  
We have electricity out by the ceremony site for your DJ/Band to access.

## ***Can we have pre-ceremony beverages set up?***

Yes! We will set up water, lemonade or cider on the bed of the truck.

If you would also like to offer your guests champagne at this time, please be sure to let us know so that it's scheduled with the bar team

There is no additional cost for this.

## ***Is the ceremony Handicap accessible?***

We will have a golf cart available to bring any guests who need a ride out to the ceremony site.

If you have guests that need proper chairs to sit on during the ceremony, we can set up a row of chairs in front of or behind the benches.

## ***Who officiates the wedding?***

That's entirely up to you!

<https://www.theknot.com/content/how-to-find-wedding-officiant>



# R E H E A R S A L S   &   A F T E R   P A R T I E S

## ***Can I have a ceremony rehearsal?***

We are available for a walkthrough of the ceremony the day before the wedding. About one month out from the wedding, we will schedule a time for a walkthrough.

Please keep in mind that this walkthrough may have to be scheduled earlier in the day (between 10AM-1PM) due to other events that may be scheduled that weekend.

If you have a wedding party who will be a part of the processional, we *strongly* encourage having them attend the rehearsal. Having the opportunity to run through the processional with everyone present goes a long way to ensure that things run smoothly on wedding day.

## ***Where do you recommend for a Rehearsal Dinner?***

We are happy to recommend local businesses in the area to host your rehearsal. Tell us what you're looking for and we can send you a list of places that might work for you! You can also check out some of the local recommendations for rehearsal dinners and afterparties located on the last few pages of this document.

## ***Can we stay past 10pm?***

All of our events have to end by 10pm. This is due to a local noise ordinance and we are unable to make any exceptions. We do not have an after-party location on site.

# FINALIZING THE DETAILS

One month before the wedding, we will schedule a phone call to go over the following:

**Menu Selections:** Finalize all food and beverage selections including guest dietary restrictions, allergies & kids' meals.

**Final Headcount:** Final payment is due 30 days prior to the event date.

We will need a final headcount in the following terms so we can accurately prepare the invoice:

**Vendors:** 50% catering cost, no charge for beverages

**Children 7 & under:** no cost but we still need to fit them into the floorplan

**Children 13 & under:** 50% catering cost, \$5 beverage package

**Guests 14 - 21 years of age:** 100% catering cost, \$5 beverage package

**Adults:** 100% catering cost, 100% beverage package

**Floor Plan:** You will be sent an editable floor plan prior to our one month phone call. On this call we will discuss details like table layout and whether or not you would like to have a sweetheart table. Although the final table layout is ultimately up to you, we may have suggestions to maximize the comfort of your guests and the flow of traffic/accessibility to different areas of the space.

**Finalize Timeline:** We will review your timeline and make sure it aligns with the timelines and plans of all your other vendors to make sure we are all on the same page. We will also confirm your arrival time as well as the arrival time of your family, wedding party and vendors.

# P R E F E R R E D   V E N D O R S

## P H O T O G R A P H E R S

**Sloan Dakota Photo** *Sloan Dakota*  
sloanedakotaphoto.com

**B Hull Photography** *Belkis Hull*  
bhullphotography.com

**Photo by Basia** *Basia Ambrosiak*  
photobybasia.com

**Marlon Ramos Photography**  
marlonramosphotography.com

**K + B Wedding Photography**  
kateighandben.com

**Sam Sullivan**  
samsullivanphotography.com

**Arius Photo**  
www.ariusphoto.com

## F L O R A L   D E S I G N &   D E C O R

**Flowers by Blooming Hill Farm**  
flowers@bloominghill.farm

**Athabold**  
athabold.com

**Heart & Soil Flowers**  
heartandsoilflowers.com

**Slate Florals**  
slatefloral.com

## M U S I C   & E N T E R T A I N M E N T

### D J s

**A Perfect Blend Entertainment**  
apbentertainment.com

**Allure DJs**  
alluredjs.com

**Beat Train Productions**  
beattrainproductions.com

### B A N D S

**Mama Jukes**  
mamajukemusic@gmail.com

**Kazz Music Orchestra**  
kazzmusic.com/

**The Silver Arrow Band**  
silverarrowband.com

### A C O U S T I C

**Alex Prezziano**  
alexprezziano.com

**Jeff Armstrong**  
jeffarmstrongmusicstudio.com

**Austin Charnis**  
charnisguitar.com

**Aaron Warner (Harp)**  
@aaronandhisharp

## H A I R   &   M A K E   U P

**Comb Salon Studio**  
(845) 615-9751  
bridalbylindsay@gmail.com

**The Indigo Collective**  
the-indigo-collective.com

**RB Artistry**  
rbartistrybeauty.com

## D E S S E R T S   &   C A K E S

**The Cakery**  
thecakeryfishkill.com

**Sugar Hill Creamery**  
sugarhillcreamery.com

**Newburgh Flour Shop**  
newburghflourshop.com

**Katie Rose Bakery**  
*\*vegan & gluten free options\**  
katirosebakery.com

**Hudson & Honey**  
@hudsonandhoney

## O F F I C I A N T S

**Alice Soloway**  
alicesolowayweddings.com

**Michele Zipp**  
michelezipp.com

**One Heart Personalized Ceremonies**  
oneheartceremonies.com



# RECOMMENDED LODGING

## LARGER HOTELS

### **Sleep Inn**

Blooming Grove, NY  
(2.3 miles away)

### **Holiday Inn Chester/Monroe/Woodbury**

Chester, NY  
(7.8 miles away)

### **Hampton Inn Harriman/Woodbury**

Central Valley, NY  
(7.9 miles away)

### **Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott**

Goshen, NY  
(13.5 miles away)

### **Microtel by Wyndham**

Middletown, NY  
(14.1 miles away)

### **Marriott Residence Inn**

Middletown, NY  
(15.4 miles away)

### **Courtyard Marriott**

Middletown, NY  
(18.0 miles away)

### **Crowne Plaza**

Suffern, NY  
(25.7 miles away)

### **Sheraton Hotel**

Mahwah, NJ  
(24.5 miles away)

## AIR BNBs

### **Campbell Hall, NY**

*3 properties available walking distance to one another*  
(4.2 miles away)  
[moodnaconfluence.com](http://moodnaconfluence.com)

### **Campbell Hall, NY**

(7.2 miles away)  
[www.airbnb.com/rooms/1194410](http://www.airbnb.com/rooms/1194410)

### **Goshen, NY**

(9.2 miles away)  
[www.airbnb.com/rooms/38484687?source\\_impression\\_id=p3\\_1575813569\\_X8MWDetsxaH6FbzH](http://www.airbnb.com/rooms/38484687?source_impression_id=p3_1575813569_X8MWDetsxaH6FbzH)

### **Warwick, NY**

(14.6 miles away)  
[www.airbnb.com/rooms/9144587?s=8&user\\_id=47618761&ref\\_device\\_id=c1e2df4058724b9395a97ca401f577462262b210](http://www.airbnb.com/rooms/9144587?s=8&user_id=47618761&ref_device_id=c1e2df4058724b9395a97ca401f577462262b210)

### **Greenwood Lake, NY**

(17.0 miles away)  
@loftinthewoods  
<http://airbnb.com/h/loft-in-the-woods>

### **Orchard Hill Estate**

**Harriman, NY**  
(6.8 miles away)  
[www.airbnb.com/h/orchard-hill-estate](http://www.airbnb.com/h/orchard-hill-estate)

## BED & BREAKFASTS INNS, LODGES

### **The Dominion House**

Blooming Grove, NY  
(2.3 miles away)

### **The Caldwell House**

Sallisbury Mills, NY  
(5.8 miles away)

### **The Orange Inn**

Goshen, NY  
(9.4 miles away)

### **Stagecoach Inn**

Goshen, NY  
(9.1 miles)

### **Glenmere Mansion**

Chester, NY  
(12.6 miles away)

### **Borland House**

Montgomery, NY  
(13.2 miles away)

# LOCAL RECOMMENDATIONS

## REHEARSAL DINNERS & WELCOME PARTIES

**City Winery Hudson Valley**  
citywinery.com/hudsonvalley

**Drowned Lands Brewery**  
drownedlands.beer

**Orchard Hill Cider Mill**  
orchardhillcidermill.com

**Equilibrium Brewery**  
eqbrew.com

**Tin Barn Brewery**  
tinbarn.com

**Orange County Distillery at Brown Barn Farms**  
orangecountydistillery.com/brownbarnfarms

**Newburgh Brewery**  
newburghbrewing.com

**Pharmacy Kitchen & Bar**  
pharmacykitchenandbar.com

**Stagecoach Inn**  
stagecoachny.com

**Oak & Reed**  
oakandreiddowntown.com

**Blu Pointe**  
blu-pointe.com

**Glenmere Mansion**  
glenmeremansion.com

## AFTER PARTIES & LATE NIGHT BARS

**Brew**  
brewgoshen.com

**Scotchtown Craft**  
scotchtowncraft.com

**Bourbon Street**  
bourbonstreetbarandgrill.net

**Captain's Table**  
captains-table.com

**Kelley Jean's**  
kelleyjeansrestaurant.com

**New Street Tavern**

## B R U N C H

**Mason's Marketplace**  
masonsmarketplace.com

**Craft 47**  
craft47.com

**Dottie Audrey's**  
(brunch catering)  
dottieaudreys.com

**Fannie's**  
fannieswarwick.com

**The Table**  
thetableny.com

# TRANSPORTATION

## LOCAL TRAVEL

### Taxis & Uber

Monroe Taxi - (845) 782-8141

Geo Taxi Service - (845) 213-5639

Speedy Car Service - (845) 783-6651

*Uber is available in the area for transportation to the farm.*

*Please plan for at least 20-30 minute wait times for Uber or Car services.*

*We do not recommend relying on Uber or other ride sharing services to pick up from the farm at the end of the event.*

### Recommended Shuttle Services (for large groups)

First Student - school buses only

West Point Tours- school & charter buses

Visconti - Luxury Cars

## TRAIN FROM CITY

### NJ Transit

NJ Transit offers the closest train stations to the farm:

Harriman Station

OR

Salisbury Mills-Cornwall  
(both are 10 minutes away)

Both of these stops are on the Port Jervis Line out of Penn Station with a transfer at Secaucus.

*Average train time: 1 hour 30 minutes.*

### Metro North

The closest train station using Metro North from Grand Central is Beacon.  
(30 minutes away)

*Average train time: 1 hour 30 minutes*

## BUS FROM THE CITY

### ShortLine

Shortline offer daily scheduled trips to and from the city.

### Closest Bus Stops:

Monroe, NY

Woodbury Commons

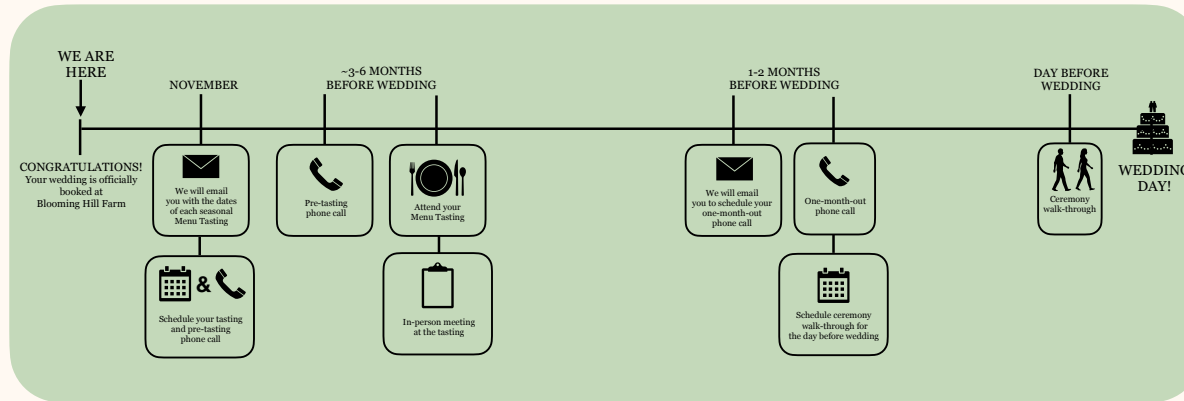


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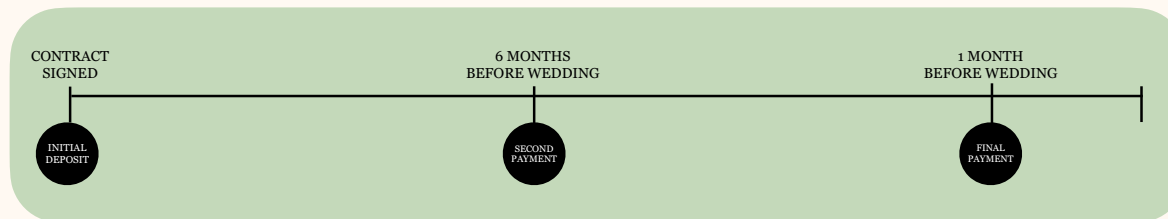
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# Wedding Planning Timeline

## PLANNING



## PAYMENTS



## INVITATIONS

