



2026 Wedding Guide



Coordination & Planning

What is included in Blooming Hill's Coordination & Planning Services?

Unlike most wedding venues, Blooming Hill has a dedicated event team who will work with you from start to finish to plan and execute your wedding. We do not require you to hire any outside planner. Our event planning services include coordination of all aspects of the event that take place on site, including: day-of coordination, wedding day timeline development, communication with vendors (regarding all on site logistics), decor setup & breakdown, staffing, food menu & beverage selection, floor plan & guest seating assignments, and ceremony logistics & execution (including a ceremony walk-through the day prior to your wedding).

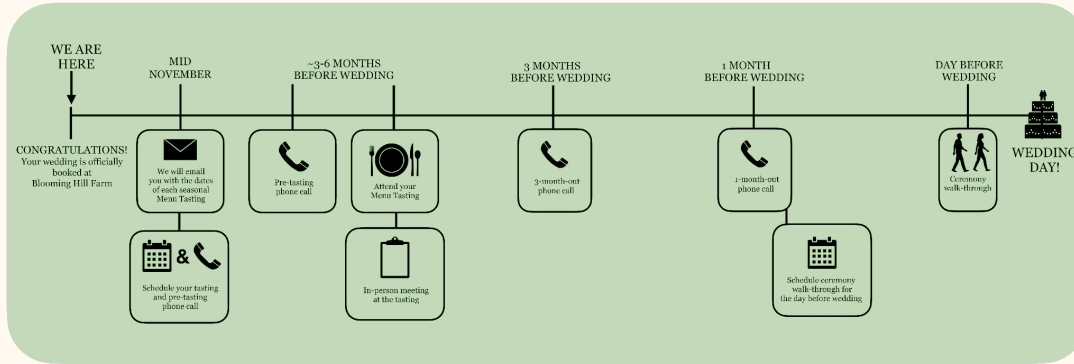
The Blooming Hill Event Planning process starts in mid-November the year before your wedding, after our previous wedding season has ended (for example, if you're getting married in June 2027, we will reach out to begin the planning process in mid-November 2026).

We will have several scheduled meetings to discuss timelines, decor, menus, and floor plans.
We are also available along the way for any little thing you need guidance on!

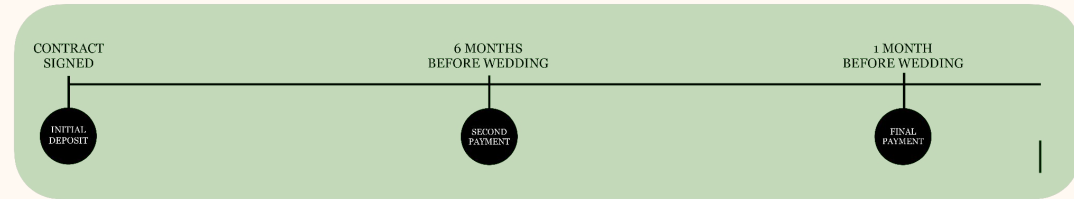
What's the difference between an outside event planner and Blooming Hill Event Planners?

The Blooming Hill Event Team will coordinate all aspects of the event that take place on site. Outside event planners help plan all aspects of your wedding day both on and off site including hiring outside vendors, guest management, and booking lodging/shuttles. While Blooming Hill coordinators will make recommendations and provide guidance in all of these areas, we are not directly involved in their process & management. If you would like some extra help with planning some of your off site wedding details, you are welcome to hire an outside planner. Our event team will work alongside your outside planner to coordinate the event.

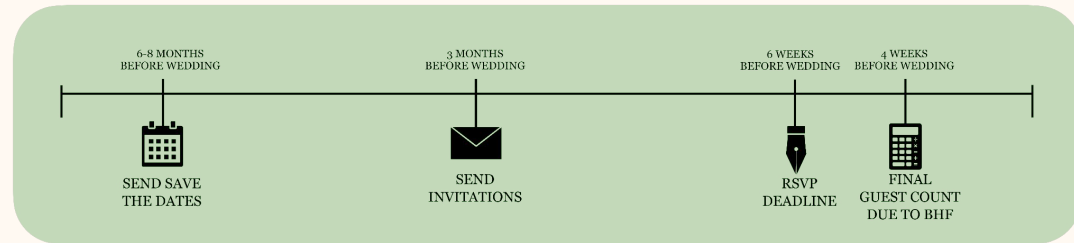
PLANNING



PAYMENTS



INVITATIONS



The Menu Tasting

Blooming Hill Farm will host 1-2 tastings for each seasonal wedding menu. At this tasting, you will be able to taste all of the cocktail hour selections, dinner selections, dessert, and wines from your seasonal menu.

Spring Menu

May 1st - July 15th

Summer Menu

July 16th - September 30th

Fall Menu

October

These tasting dates will be scheduled on Sunday evenings between December - March the year of your wedding. Your coordinator will reach out in mid-November to let you know the dates we will be offering for each tasting.

Menu tastings are complementary for the wedding couple. You are welcome to invite a maximum of 2 additional guests. There is a \$150 per-person cost (+ tax) for each of these additional guests.

At the tasting, you will also have a chance to view our inventory of decor and sit down with one of our event coordinators to discuss anything you may have questions about!

- Blooming Hill Farm does not offer private tastings -

Menu

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

When do I select my menu?

All food & beverage menu decisions must 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.

Can you accommodate dietary restrictions?

We are happy to accommodate dietary restrictions for your guests whenever possible. Please give us as much information and advanced notice as possible.

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

Is dessert included?

A dessert bar of your choice is included in our pricing!

S'mores and the use of our fire pit are complimentary, weather permitting.

We also allow additional outside desserts to be brought in. We do not charge a plating fee to serve desserts from outside vendors.

Vendors

Your vendors are encouraged to reach out directly to us for any logistical questions or concerns they may 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 restaurant is not available until 2:30pm for any set up. We recommend that vendors set up all other locations first before setting up in the restaurant.

Do you offer vendor meals?

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

Do our vendors need to provide a Certificate of Insurance (COI)?

Yes, we require a COI from all of your vendors. Your coordinator will handle collecting COI's from each vendor throughout the planning process.

Vendor Info: Band/DJ

Do you have audio equipment?

BHEC does not provide any audio equipment.

Your band/DJ should be responsible for all aspects of music throughout the event.

All audio equipment (including a microphone for the ceremony and speeches) must be provided by your band or DJ.

There is access to electricity in all areas of the property (ceremony site, barn, backyard, restaurant, reception tent).

Do I need a stage or dancefloor?

Since the flooring installed under the tent is a flat, dry, solid surface, a stage and dance floor are not necessary. However, some couples prefer the look of a stage and/or dance floor, which can both be rented for your wedding.

If you are having your reception in the barn, you may wish to rent a dance floor to cover the gravel floor.

If you are interested in renting any of these items, we can provide you with quotes from a local rental company and will handle rentals on your behalf.

Vendor Info: Photographer

When can we arrive for photos?

You can arrive at 2:30pm the day of the wedding for photos. You are welcome to have your wedding party, immediate family, and/or any other special guests arrive at this time to be present for photos. However, we strongly recommend limiting the number of guests who are on-site at this time to 20 or less. Having too many people hanging around during pictures can start to feel overwhelming and we want you to feel at-ease and relaxed!

If you have a large group photo that needs to be taken, let your event coordinator know and we can discuss a good time to work that into your timeline!

Can we have our first look on the property?

You are 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.

Vendor Info: Florist

Are flowers included in your pricing?

The barn and restaurant will always be decorated throughout the wedding season for no additional charge. All requests for bouquets, table arrangements, arbor decorations, tent decor, etc, should go through a florist.

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

We have an in-house florist and decorator.
You can now book our florist through your event coordinator.

Booking and coordination for flowers begins during your “pre-tasting phone call” (~6-9 months before your wedding date). We recommend you compile inspiration photos to share and discuss with your event coordinator. Design, style & color palette will be finalized on our 3 month call and you will be provided a floral proposal to approve. Your final floral order will be confirmed 1 month prior to your wedding date.

Do I have to use your florist?

No, you are welcome to hire any florist you want to work with!

If you are using an outside vendor for florists, please let us know if they plan to breakdown the florals the night of, are coming back the next day to pick anything up, or if you will be taking home any of the items. All flowers, supplies, etc. brought in by the florist must be removed from the property no later than 11:00 AM the following day.

Rentals

Do we need to rent anything?

Blooming Hill Farm provides everything you need for the ceremony, cocktail hour and dinner: ceremony seating, tables, chairs, linens, glassware, silverware, plateware, etc.

Optional rentals to consider would be a stage, dance floor, specialty lighting, specialty glassware, or specialty furniture.

Keep in mind, none of these rentals are required or necessary, but can be added to achieve your desired aesthetic.

While we manage the major rentals for you, you are responsible for the cost of any outside rentals. The cost of these outside rentals will be included in your final invoice to Blooming Hill.

Do we need to rent a tent?

BHEC has both a large reception tent (46' x 105') and a smaller ceremony rain plan tent (52' diameter) that will be installed for the entirety of the wedding season (April-November).

The use of both of these tents is included in the venue fee.

What is included in the Venue Fee?

Decorated Cocktail Hour Space

Barn & Restaurant will be decorated with sustainable and seasonal floral decor, plants, and greenery.
(valued @ ~\$4,000)

Reception Tent

46' x 105' Sail Cloth Sperry Tent, Wooden Tent Platform, Bistro Lighting, Clear Side Walls, Fans, Tent Heaters
(typical rental cost valued @ ~\$15,000)

Outdoor Ceremony

Bench Seating, Additional Chairs (available upon request) & Use of Your Choice of Arbor

Ceremony Rain Plan Tent

52' Round Sailcloth Tent w/ Bistro Lighting
(typical rental cost valued @ ~\$5,000)

Venue Infrastructure

Indoor Restrooms, Electricity, String Lights (throughout property), Golf Cart, Umbrellas,
Full Bar Setup for Cocktail Hour & Reception (including taps, refrigeration, sinks, etc.)

Furniture & Dining Essentials

Tables, Chairs, Glassware, Silverware, Plateware, Serving Platters and Serving Utensils
(typical rental cost valued @ ~\$30/guest)

Decor

Tablecloths, Napkins, Table Runners, Candles, Printed menus, Table Numbers,
Seating Chart Display, Chalkboard Signage, Wooden Crates & Baskets for Miscellaneous Use
(typical rental cost valued @ ~\$20/guest)

What Decor Does BHF Provide?

Standard Decor Package:

- Tablecloths (color options available)
- Napkins (color options available)
- (2) Candles per table (taper/pillar - taper color options available) OR (4) Votive Candles per table
- Cheesecloth Runner (color options available)
- Printed Menu Cards (style options available)
- Table Numbers (style options available)
- Guest Seating Chart (style options available)

Other Miscellaneous Decor:

- Chalkboard Signs
- Wooden Vegetable Crates
- Small Wooden or Wicker Baskets
- Arbor for Ceremony
- Card Box
- Easel
- Reserved Signs
- Etc....

***Please inquire to see a catalogue of all available decor**

All of the above listed decor is included in our pricing. You are more than welcome to use any or all decor provided by Blooming Hill Farm. You can also feel free to bring in or rent any custom or additional decor!

Decor Setup

Who sets up for the wedding?

BHF staff will handle the set up of all decor on your wedding day.

We encourage you to drop off any additional decor items that you would like set up for the wedding the day prior (when you come in for your ceremony rehearsal.)

This includes but is not limited to:

DIY Seating Chart, Name Cards, Custom Table Numbers,
Additional Candles, Guest Book, Photo Display, Miscellaneous Decor.

Who cleans up after the wedding?

BHF staff will take care of the break down and clean up after the party.

We will pack up any items that you dropped off for you to come 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.

Please note, all decor brought in should be discussed with your Blooming Hill Event Coordinator prior to the wedding. Any decor that requires installation or additional staff to set up or break down will incur a service fee. This includes DIY flowers.

Ceremony

Do we need a microphone for the ceremony?

We recommend all weddings have a microphone and a speaker set up for the ceremony regardless of size.

BHEC does not provide audio equipment. Most DJs/Bands are prepared 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, iced tea, and lemonade or cider (depending on seasonal availability)
on the bed of the yellow truck during pre-ceremony.

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! If you would like to have a friend or family member officiate,
[this link](#) has some helpful info on how to become a wedding officiant in NY.

If hiring an officiant, see our preferred vendors list at the end of this document for some recommendations.

Rehearsals & After Parties

Can I have a ceremony rehearsal?

Your coordinator will run you through a rehearsal of the ceremony the day before the wedding.

About one month out from the wedding, we will schedule a time for this 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?

Blooming Hill can host your rehearsal dinner as long as the date is available for a private event.

We do not offer rehearsal dinners on Saturdays.

You can also check out the local recommendations for rehearsal dinners, welcome drinks, and afterparties listed 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, but we can make recommendations on places to go!

Finalizing the Details - 3 Months Out

Three months before the wedding, we will schedule a planning call to go over the following:

Vendor Information: By this point you should have all your vendors booked. We will gather all relevant information for each vendor and collect their contact info so we can send them some helpful information pertinent to day-of schedule and timeline.

Decor Package Selections: At this time, we will finalize all style and color selections for your decor package. We will also begin discussing any plans you have for additional decor and help advise you on how all of these elements will be worked into your wedding set up and timeline.

Floral Inspiration: If working with our in-house floral team, we will finalize your floral vision and inspiration. All of this information will be compiled into a document that will be shared with our in-house florist and serve as a “vision board” for them to work off of.

Wedding Cake: If you are interested in ordering your wedding cake through BHF, we will need your flavor selections on this call so we can place a preliminary order with our cake maker. Final adjustments like # of servings (and other dessert selections besides cake) will be made on the 1 month call.

Favor Selections: If you wish to order any favors through the farm, we will take note of it on this call and finalize quantities on our 1 month call.

Floor Plan: On this call, we will discuss some general information regarding your floor plan, like whether or not you would like to have a sweetheart table and whether you would like to format your guests be assigned to tables or individually assigned seats. After this call, we will provide you with an editable floor plan that you can start playing around with. We strongly encourage you to hold off on filling in the details of your seating chart until you have received all of your RSVPs to avoid making more work for yourself!

Finalizing the Details - 1 Month Out

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:

Adults: 100% catering cost, 100% beverage package

Guests 14-20 years of age: 100% catering cost, \$5 beverage fee

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

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

Vendors: a flat fee of \$75/vendor

Floor Plan: On this call, we will confirm final table layout and make sure you are filling out your seating chart correctly with dietary restrictions and allergies. The final seating arrangements are ultimately up to you, but we can make suggestions to maximize the comfort of your guests, placement of family members/VIPs, and the flow of traffic/accessibility to different areas of the reception 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.

Sample Floor Plan

TENT FLOOR PLAN ~100 GUESTS + SWEETHEART TABLE

