

Covered Bridge Farms

Frequently Asked Questions

How many other weddings will be booked that day?

Full service weddings will have no other events scheduled during their contracted time. Use of the grounds is for their exclusive use. Elopements and Micro-weddings may be scheduled concurrently.

What are the dimensions of the Covered Bridges?

One is 44' x 16', and the second one is 44' x 22'

Do you have liability insurance?

Yes, we carry our own liability insurance but you may want to check into getting your own.

WedSafe® offers two wedding insurance products that can be purchased individually or as a package that may help provide security and protect your wedding:

- Wedding Event Cancellation / Postponement Plus Insurance: This product protects your financial investment in your wedding—covering cancellation, postponement, lost deposits, and more.
- Wedding Liability Insurance: This product protects you against financial liability arising from your wedding.

Can the wedding party get ready at the venue?

Absolutely. We have a two bedroom, two bath cottage that serves as our “Groom’s Quarters.” In the main house on the estate, 3-bedroom, 3-bath luxurious accommodations are reserved as our “Bridal Suite.”

Is there on-site lodging?

We offer a honeymoon suite to the newly-married couple, which rents for \$200. Typically, the other bedrooms on the property are reserved for the bridal parties on the day of the wedding, but depending on the size of the bridal parties, arrangements might be available. We are also happy to help you take advantage of off-site lodging options in and around Murphy if you have chosen this as a destination wedding site. We work with several rental companies and individuals who can provide needed accommodations.

Do you require clients to use vendors from an approved list?

No. We can offer you a list of providers with whom we have had successful relationships, as a way to make your search a little easier. But you are welcome to use any vendor you wish at no added charge from us.

Are rentals included in your price?

We include tables, linens, and chairs in our pricing schedule to accommodate all guests. We are happy to provide extra tables, chairs, linens, dishes, sound equipment, and decorating services for additional fees.

What restrictions do you have of guests?

For liability reasons, we ask that no guests bring pets on the property. However, the bride and groom are welcome to include their fur babies in their ceremony. And, of course, therapy pets are allowed.

We do not allow wish lanterns as we are surrounded by lush forests. Children should be closely supervised at all times.

Do you have access to electric?

Yes, both covered bridges have multiple outlets with 30 amp service, as does the gazebo and Rockface Garden. We can also provide low-decibel generators to other sites on the property you wish to access.

What if it rains on my wedding day?

Both bridges can be utilized. One can serve as a ceremony site, the other for your wedding reception. We also have 10x10' and 10x20' tents that can be put into service in such an emergency. Large groups may want to rent additional tents. We can help guide you in that selection.

Is there a space for a cocktail hour?

With over 20 acres of pasture, there is plenty of space for whatever activities you want to plan.

How long do we have at the venue?

Eloperments will have 1 to hours, and micro-weddings up to 4 hours. Full service weddings will have access to the grounds at noon on Friday for set-up and for your rehearsal. You have all day Saturday for your event, and removal of all personal and vendor equipment must be made by Monday at noon.

Are there any noise restrictions?

Cherokee County ordinance requires noise reduction at 11:00pm.

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What's the difference between an on-site host and a wedding coordinator?

Our on-site host is to liaison with your vendors, accept deliveries, and to help direct vendors to the location you have chosen for them to set up. By contrast, a wedding coordinator is hired for the day of the wedding and will make sure that everyone is following the timeline that's been established.

Is there a discount for an off-season date or weekdays?

No events are held at Covered Bridge Farms during the off-season (Mid-November through mid-April). Elopements and micro-weddings are held on weekdays and are substantially discounted.