



THE PERFECT PLACE TO

GATHER &
Celebrate



High Bridge Stables
Farmville, Virginia

About High Bridge Stables

High Bridge Stables is one of the most treasured stables in Farmville, Virginia, located just three miles from charming downtown. This historic and beautiful property has been renovated using antique, re-purposed materials collected by the Mennonite community and enhanced by local Amish artisans. It is an ideal venue for weddings and other gatherings.

You get the exclusive use of the large barn, pavilion and upper riding ring for your gathering, with incredible views, gentle meadows, surrounded by three fields of horses on 42 acres, and a secluded entrance to the 30 mile trail of High Bridge State Park.

Step inside the event barn at the working horse farm and be surrounded by the casual elegance of the barn, and stone fire place under the large outdoor pavilion. The property also includes a separate Carriage House where the bride can prepare for her special day. The event space can accommodate up to 120 people.

Located in the heart of Virginia between many of the state's top universities. Five minutes from Longwood University, 15 minutes to Hampden-Sydney College, and approximately 1 hour to University of Virginia, and University of Richmond. You will feel like you're in an entirely different world, where the green pastures, rolling hills, and two 100 year old barns are a beautiful back drop to an authentic working horse farm, a unique setting for wedding photography.







A timeless setting, an authentic equestrian farm, perfect for celebrating the start of your new life together!



Design & Customize Your Wedding

At High Bridge Stables you have the flexibility to design and customize your wedding. With a 42 acre backdrop of pastures and rustic antique barns, you can create your personalized dream event.

Put a one-of-a-kind stamp on your event by choosing your own vendors, including planners, caterers, photographers, florist, musicians, and entertainment. We are happy to provide a list of preferred vendors.

Farmville has several great restaurants, as well as Three Roads Brewing Company and Virginia Tasting Cellar. The town offers several unique retail shops, including Longwood Center for Visual Arts, Red Door 104 Art Galleries, Mainly Clay Specialty Gift Shop and High Bridge Bikes (bike rentals) for exploring High Bridge Trail that borders the venue.



“High Bridge Stables had the perfect combination of farm chic atmosphere and celebration venue for our wedding day. We enjoyed using the variety of spaces that flowed seamlessly and provided comfortable places for personal interactions as well as the larger gathering moments of our wedding. Our guests complimented the relaxed, yet lively setting.”

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Property Facts

- 42 private acres with pastoral views
- Buildings and grounds filled with architectural Amish craftsmanship, built to old world specification
- Expansive rolling meadows
- Excellent location to town
- Event Barn with covered outdoor Pavilion and large outdoor stone fireplace provides 80 x 40 foot covered space
- Chapel with flagstone patio
- Carriage House is provided to the Bridal party the day of the wedding for exclusive use of the charming 1200 sq foot house
- Adjacent to High Bridge Trails
- Next door to High Bridge Lodge and Cabins
- Within 3 miles of Hotel Weyanoke
- Within 15 minutes of Sandy River Outdoor Resort that offers Glamping Tipis, outdoor adventures and bourbon distillery
- Within 2 miles of Appomattox River Company







**A thoughtfully
restored historic
property between
the forest and
horse pasture.**



Event Facilities Overview

Main Event Barn 40 x 40 barn with 20 foot ceilings crafted from architectural re-purposed materials. Maximum indoor seating 120.

Pavilion 40 x 40 covered outdoor space constructed by local Amish with old world craftsmanship using timber and pegs to create a unique space. Lit with cast iron ringed chandeliers and a large floor to ceiling handcrafted stone fireplace creates a warm ambiance.

The Lawn was designed by Fall Line Landscape Architectural firm in Richmond, VA. It is located between the pavilion and outdoor chapel. It will accommodate 120 seats. We offer 2 chair styles for you to choose from for your event. A walnut stained cross-back farm chair or a white light-weight folding lawn chair that are suitable for chair covers or sashes.

Outdoor Chapel 18 x 8 deep with 20 foot cathedral ceiling. The chapel was built by the Amish to compliment the pavilion using the same old world architecture. A handcrafted stone platform anchors the chapel to the lawn, and a two-tier cast iron chandelier hangs between the rustic wooden beams. A field of horses and a hundred year old barn is visible from the space making it perfect for wedding photography.

Equestrian Ring has been used for years to train horseback riders. It is included in the venue, and offers many unique options, such as space for a wedding tent, band or DJ, dance floor, food trucks, fire pits, bar area and outdoor games. The level area is 100 foot x 60 foot fenced ring.

The Carriage House is a 1200 sq ft cottage located adjacent to the venue. It is a private space for the use of bride and bridal party the day of the wedding. Within the house are comfortable couches and chairs for your bridal party. A dining room table, 2 boutique bathrooms (for your make up and dressing needs) a newly renovated galley kitchen, and den with a stone gas fire place, to sit and relax. Enjoy snacks and refreshing drinks all in the privacy and comfort of this charming cottage.



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CEREMONY SITES ON PROPERTY

Our authentic stables and barns sit atop 42 acres of pastures, fields and woods. This makes a perfect backdrop for a custom wedding. There are two 100 year old barns still standing that have become weathered art, and great for photographing alongside your wedding party.

The Appomattox River runs by the lower field. Looking up the hillside you will see acres of thoroughbred horses grazing below the venue.

As you get to the top of the venue where the event barn, pavilion, chapel and riding ring are located, you can not escape what has been called breathtaking beauty.



**We wanted to create a wedding venue
where family and friends can share
quality time together.**

**High Bridge Stables is the perfect venue
and backdrop for your rehearsal dinner,
ceremony, and reception on property.**

**The bridesmaids can stay at the
Carriage House while our other guests
can stay at Cabins, Hotels and Airbnbs
within three miles of the property.**



Our property evokes another time, full of thoughtful details and eye catching pastoral views.



Accommodation Details

The Carriage House is a 1200 square foot newly renovated jewel box located on the property. The home was designed to complement the venue with old world equestrian elegance.

It will be provided to the bridal party the day of the wedding to allow for private day of preparation for the ceremony with the option to be rented for the entire weekend.

The layout includes two primary bedrooms each with primary bathrooms and a high quality pull out sofa to accommodate up to six guests overnight.









Be sure to take a moment for a picnic in the pasture, a hike on the High Bridge Trail, or just kicking back with loved ones





Area Attractions

SITES NEAR THE PROPERTY

High Bridge Trail

High Bridge Lodge and Cabins

The Virginia Tasting Cellar

Longwood Center for the Visual Arts

Mainly Clay

Three Bridges Brewing Company

Red Door 104 Art Studio

North Street Press Club

The Outdoor Adventure Store

Charley's Waterfront Cafe

Main Street Lanes

The Fishin' Pig

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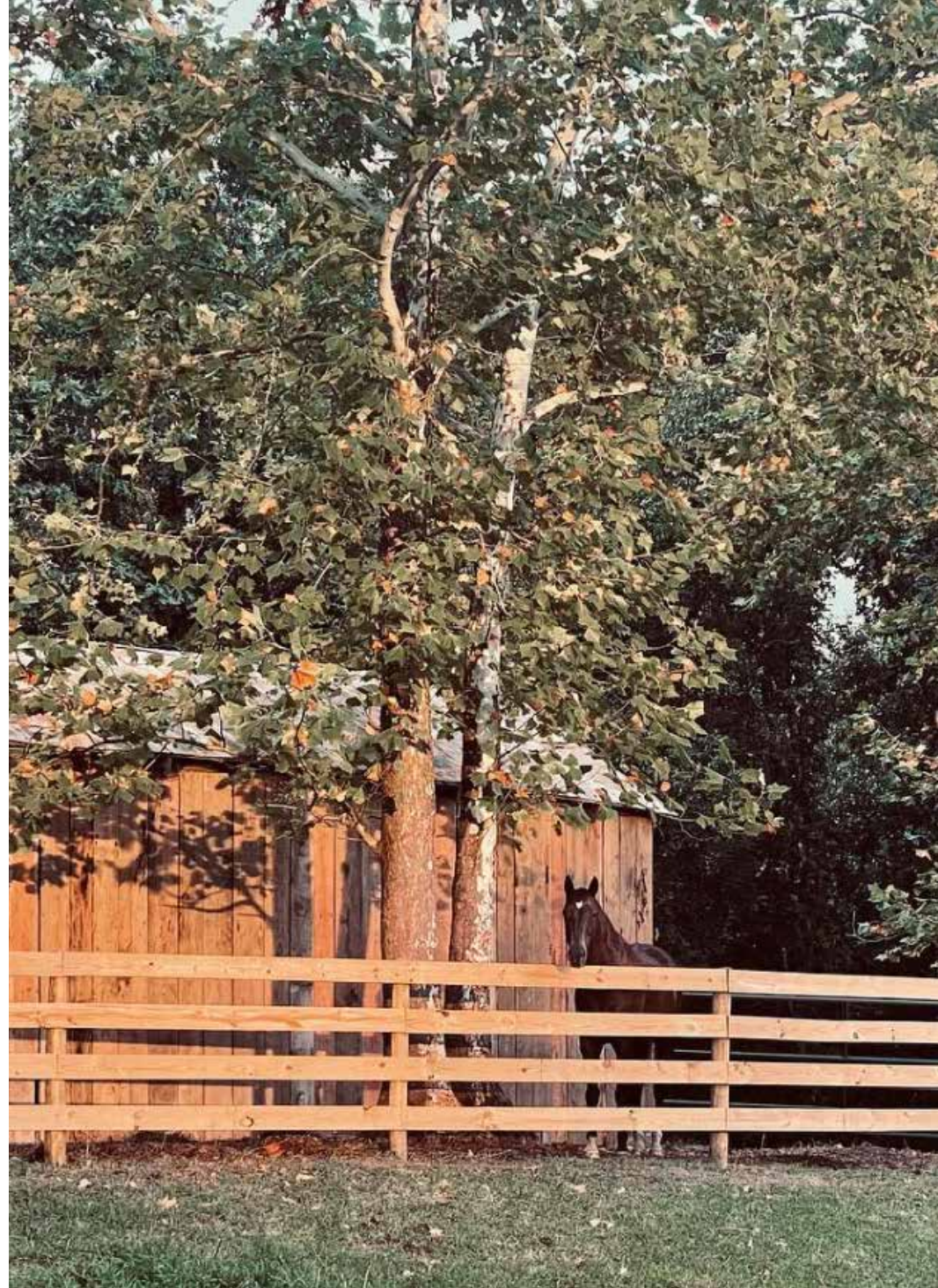
Sandy River Outdoor Adventure

Hotel Weyanoke

Catbird Rooftop Terrace

Taproot Tavern

Appomattox River Company



High Bridge Stables is a very magical place located in the heart of Virginia. The stables and grounds will make your wedding not just a one-day event but rather a timeless memory.



To Carriage House



1 The Horse Barn

2 The Pavilion

3 The Chapel & Lawn

4 The Equestrian Ring

THE HORSE BARN

The Main Horse Barn is 40 x 40 barn with 20 foot ceilings crafted from architectural repurposed wood. Maximum indoor dining and seating is 120.



THE PAVILION

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THE EQUESTRIAN RING

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Your Perfect Destination for Unforgettable Weddings

🌟 **Availability and Booking:** Discover the magic of celebrating your special day amidst the picturesque landscapes of High Bridge Stables. No need to wait for email responses — check out our live, online calendar for available dates. Click here to find out if your dream date is waiting:

Calendar

🌟 **Sunday Weddings:** While we typically host one rehearsal and one wedding per weekend, we're delighted to offer special Sunday dates when the following Monday is a holiday. This unique opportunity allows you to enjoy the beauty of our venue over an extended weekend. Please note that a nominal fee applies to cover our dedicated staff working through the night to ensure the property and barn are beautifully prepared for your event.

👰 **Elegant Packages and Pricing:** High Bridge Stables offers transparent and straightforward pricing, ensuring your peace of mind as you plan your dream wedding weekend. Our pricing structure is as follows:

Day Of Wedding \$ 4,700

Includes full use of Upper Barn including all 4 spaces and the Carriage House, enough tables and chairs to seat 120 guests at the service and for a dinner party. Experienced wedding coordinator to assist with vendors, layout and day of schedule.

Weekend Wedding \$ 5,300

Same as above, adding Friday - Sunday overnight stay at the Carriage House, and option of bridal party decorating the day before, and/or hosting the rehearsal dinner.

Rehearsal Dinner \$ 3,300.00

Up to 60 people including use of tables and chairs at the upper barn, riding ring, and Pavillion.

Note: Since we are an authentic horse barn hosting a Collegiate riding team we are available exclusively during the peak months of April 15th - June & September - November 15th.

To reserve your desired date, a non-refundable 50% initial payment secures your spot, with the remaining balance due 90 days before your wedding day.



🌿 **Setting the Stage:** Experience worry-free preparations with our dedicated on site staff who are available to answer questions throughout your planning and will assist your wedding planner the day of your event.

🌿 **Winter Wonderland:** As nature comes alive in spring, summer, and fall, we welcome events during prime wedding months. While we don't host winter weddings, the enchanting charm of our venue is perfect for celebrations during the warmer months.

🔥 **Warmth and Ambiance:** High Bridge Stables' barn and pavilion provide the perfect blend of rustic charm and modern comforts. The barn offers doors to keep out chilly evenings, complemented by three commercial-grade free-standing heaters. The pavilion boasts an oversized stone fireplace, creating a cozy atmosphere for your guests.

🍴 **Catering and Cuisine:** While we provide a stunning venue, we encourage you to personalize your wedding by selecting your preferred catering professionals from our list of trusted partners. If you choose an external caterer, we kindly ask that they meet our quality control standards. Our commitment to excellence ensures that your culinary experience is unforgettable.

🎵 **Ample Space for Celebration:** High Bridge Stables accommodates up to 120 guests in its charming barn, pavilion, and riding ring. Personalize your event by utilizing these spaces to craft a celebration that reflects your unique style and vision.

🏠 **Lodging and Accommodations:** Your comfort is paramount. The Carriage House awaits the bride on her special day, offering a private sanctuary for preparations. Additionally, we provide recommendations for nearby lodging options, ensuring a restful stay for you and your guests.

🕺 **Dance the Night Away:** Our expansive 40x40 foot outdoor pavilion is a haven for dancing and festivities. Illuminated by cast iron lights, this space creates a magical ambiance under the Farmville starlit skies. The pavilion comfortably accommodates over 100 standing guests or up to 120 for seated dining.



🎵 **Your Vision, Your Music:** High Bridge Stables offers three designated areas for bands to set up their equipment, both indoors and outdoors. While there are no restrictions on music volume, we adhere to local ordinances by turning off amplified music at 11PM, ensuring compliance with the town of Farmville's regulations.

🎆 **Captivating Celebrations:** While we love to see your dreams take flight, we do not permit fireworks on our property due to the historical nature of our buildings.

🌸 **Charming Arbor for Your Ceremony:** Exchange vows in our beautifully handcrafted Amish chapel, adding a touch of rustic elegance to your ceremony. Standing at 20 feet tall, this arbor creates a captivating backdrop for your once-in-a-lifetime moment.

🌿 **Explore Your Options:** High Bridge Stables welcomes couples and families alike, hosting a range of events from anniversaries to family reunions and celebrations of life. Connect with us to explore how our venue can be tailored to meet your unique needs.

We invite you to envision your perfect day at High Bridge Stables Venue, where nature's beauty meets elegant simplicity. For further details, reservations, and to discover the enchantment of our stunning venue, reach out to us today.

YOUR HAPPILY EVER AFTER

BEGINS HERE AT

High Bridge Stables



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Do you have an outdoor ceremony chapel?

Do you perform the wedding ceremony?

Do you have parking on site?

Do you provide tables and chairs?



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Do you allow dogs on the property?

Are we permitted to use our own caterers and other vendors? Do you require insurance or security deposit prior to the wedding?

Are there restrooms at the barn?

Are there catering facilities at the barn?

Do you have an area at the barn that the bridal party can get prepared before the wedding ceremony?

What do I do about bar service?

Can we use the farmhouse tables and barn chairs in the ring or lawn area?

What do I do about dishes, glasses, and flatware?

Who takes care of bussing the tables after the cocktail hour and dinner services?

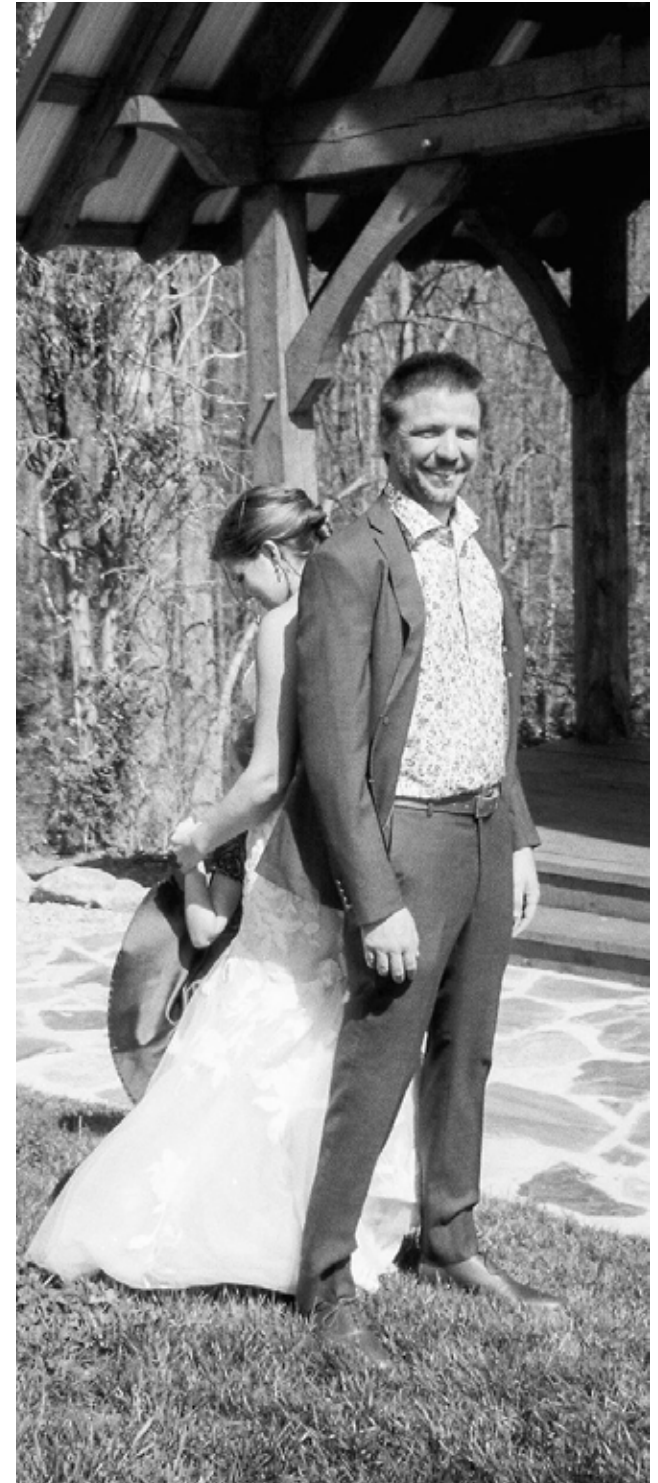
Who is responsible for watering our guest tables during dinner service?

What is the procedure for securing my future wedding date?

What is your refund policy?

Can we come back on Sunday for a brunch or just to pickup our things?

Does High Bridge Stables do other events like anniversaries, family reunions, or celebrations of life?



What dates do you have available?

We are currently booking Wedding Season 2024 & 2025

No need to wait for an email response, Here is a link to our live, online calendar. Click here to see if your date is available: [Calendar](#)

Do you do Sunday weddings?

We allow one rehearsal and one wedding per weekend. Occasionally, for special circumstance, we will open up a Sunday date, where the Monday after is a Holiday. There is a small up charge for this in order to have our staff work through the night to get the property and barn cleaned and prepped for the next day.

Does High Bridge Stables Venue require a wedding planner?

High Bridge Stables requires at least a professional "day of" coordinator. Unfortunately, a friend who has planned a wedding in the past does not meet our strict requirements. We have several professionals from which to choose from.

What is the total cost for leasing High Bridge Stables?

Our easy to understand fee for a wedding weekend is as follows;

Day Rate \$4700

Whole Weekend Rate \$5300

In order to secure your date, a non-refundable, 50% initial payment is required. The remaining balance due will be billed 90 days before the wedding day.

Do you assist with setup and cleaning?

The responsibility of clean up is on the caterer, bar service and rental company, leaving you worry free. We have a staff on site that assists with set-up of tables and chairs prior to the event.

Do you do winter weddings?

Currently, we are open for events from April through October 31st.

Is the barn heated?

The barn and pavilion are open air, however the barn does have doors to close for colder evenings and 3 commercial grade free-standing heaters. The covered pavilion, connected to the barn, has an oversized stone fireplace for ambiance and chilly evenings.

Do you provide catering?

We are a venue only facility, however we have an outstanding list of preferred professionals that we can recommend to you for all of your needs. Should you decide to choose a caterer from outside our list, please check with us first, in an effort to ensure vendors meet our quality control standards. A licensed, professional caterer is required for both your rehearsal party and your wedding reception. Pot-luck, do it yourself meals or self serve alcohol are prohibited.

How many people can fit in the barn and pavilion?

High Bridge Stables is set up to accommodate 120 guests. You may choose the barn,



pavilion and/or riding ring to entertain your guests. You may personalize your event by utilizing all of these spaces that are available to you.

Tell me about local lodging.

The Carriage House is included for the bride, the day of her wedding. It is also available to rent for overnight stays. There is a two night minimum. High Bridge Lodge and Cabins is located on the ridge adjacent to the venue. Hotel Weyanoke is 3 miles away, as well as other hotel chains. Sandy River Log Cabins and Tipi, only 6 miles from downtown Farmville. There are also, Airbnb properties close by.

Do you have an outdoor area for receptions or dancing?

Yes, we have constructed a large outdoor, 40 foot by 40 foot, pavilion that is lit with cast iron lights and open to the beautiful Farmville starlit skies. The standing capacity is over 100 guests and the seated dinner capacity is 120 guests. We also have an outdoor riding ring adjacent to the lighted reception pavilion. It works perfectly if a tent is desired, or a dance floor!

Do you have an area for a band to set up their equipment and play?

We have 3 areas available for a band to set up. Adjacent to the event barn is the outdoor pavilion. It has all of the necessary electrical needs for your band or DJ. Inside the barn there is also ample space and electrical for bands. We also have more than enough room for bands to set up in the riding ring.

Are there any restrictions on music?

While there are no restrictions on indoor or outdoor music volume, the town of Farmville enforces an ordinance stating that all amplified music will be turned off at 11PM. This is consistent with most venues in the State of Virginia.

Do you allow fireworks, confetti, flower petals or candles on the property?

Sparklers less than 20" are allowed, no fireworks, no confetti and no flower petals are allowed. Candles in containers are allowed, no candle sticks.

Do you have an outdoor ceremony arbor?

Yes, we have constructed a beautiful chapel handcrafted by Amish artisans. The dimensions are 18' wide X 8' deep X 20' high.

Do you perform the wedding ceremony?

No

Do you have on site parking?

Yes, we have on site parking, including 2 handicapped spaces. There is additional parking along the driveway for 50 cars.



Do you allow dogs on the property?

Yes, we allow for our couple's to bring their dog, not your guests though. Just be sure that someone is assigned to clean up duties so that nobody steps in any surprises! Once the reception has begun, we ask that someone shuttles your fur baby back to your room or Kat's Kennels LLC located near the venue.

Do you provide tables and chairs?

Yes, we provide 120 of the most desirable cross back chairs as well as 20 tables for serving 120 guests. The tables are 6 feet long and seat up to 8 people. We also provide, at no extra charge, 18 hi-top cocktail tables, and 3 large round tables for specialty needs. These will need rental linens. The hi-tops need linens 120 inches round.

Are we permitted to use our own caterers and other vendors?

Yes, if you are interested in using a catering company not on our preferred vendor list, please let us know in advance. High Bridge Stables recommends certain vendors because along with experience comes excellence. These vendors have proven to be trustworthy, experienced and have met our high standards of excellence and quality.

Do you require any security deposits prior to the wedding?

Yes, you will need to place a fully refundable \$1000 damage deposit. This will be provided 90 days before the wedding date and will be returned promptly after the wedding, if not required due to an unforeseen circumstance. You will also need event insurance that can be obtained inexpensively, from your homeowners insurer. Please add High Bridge Stables Venue as an additional insured entity for the dates you will be using the venue.

Are there restrooms at the barn?

Yes, we have 2 separate, heated restrooms for your use.

Are there catering facilities at the barn?

Caterers provide all food and drinks and equipment for tables and bars. There is a dedicated prep area with one stainless steel sink, and cabinets.

Do you have an area at the barn that the bridal party can get prepared before the wedding ceremony?

Yes, we have a beautiful bridal Carriage House adjacent to the venue. It has 2 private dressing areas, 2 bathrooms, kitchen, and a seating area with comfortable furnishings. A cozy place to sip mimosa's with your bridal party, mothers, and grandmothers, before the wedding ceremony.

What do I do about bar service?

Put a one of a kind stamp on your event by choosing your own licensed vendors, including planners, caterers, photographer, florist, musicians, and entertainment. We are happy to provide lists of local providers. Do it yourself and BYOB liquor is strictly prohibited by law.

Can we use the tables and barn chairs on the lawn, and riding ring?

Yes.



What do I do about dishes, glasses and flatware?

Dishes, linens, flatware, and glasses can be rented by several rental agencies listed on our preferred vendors tab.

Who takes care of bussing the tables after cocktail hour and dinner services?

Your caterers are responsible for bussing all tables.

What is the procedure for securing my future wedding date?

In order to lock in your future wedding date, a non refundable date retainer is required. This retainer is 50% of your venue fee. The remaining balance will be due 90 days before your wedding date. Once you are ready to book a date, we will send an agreement and invoice.

What is your refund policy?

The retainer for securing your future event date is fully refundable for a period of 3 days after booking. If you cancel your wedding for any reason after this grace period, all payments are non refundable. (The only exception will be for active military deployment.) We block the date off of our website calendar immediately upon booking, making the date unavailable for other interested couples. We recommend purchasing cancellation insurance that can be obtained inexpensively from your homeowners insurer.

Can we come back on Sunday for a brunch or just to pickup our things?

You are free to come pick up items on Sunday, after the wedding, however, we take Sundays off as a family so any extra planned event is not part of our service.

Does High Bridge Stables do other events like anniversaries, family reunions, or celebrations of life?

Yes, we do. These are typically held during the week, or on Sunday. There is an \$500 per hour charge, with a 5 hour minimum or a 3 hour minimum during the week. Because this is a working horse farm, and wedding venue, these special events must be pre-approved by email and they are limited.



About the Owners

Anne Tyler and Adam Paulek moved to High Bridge Stables to convert an existing cattle farm to a Horse Farm years ago. Their goal was to raise a family in a farm setting surrounded by Anne Tyler's passion, horses. She has ridden and been in horse shows since she was a child and Adam knew the way to her heart involved horses. She became a Farmville Bride when they married and Adam got "John Wayne", a rescued Mustang, so they could ride together. High Bridge Stables is their "happily ever after" and it was a natural evolution of the property to share this beautiful farm with other couples on their wedding day.



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