

F.D. Roosevelt State Park



Wedding Information Package

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CEREMONY AND RECEPTION VENUES

Wedding Venues At-A-Glance

Dowdell's Knob Overlook

- Outdoor Ceremony Venue
- Accommodates up to 75 guest
- Rental: \$300
- Includes: wedding arch
- Available only before 8 p.m (April 1- Sept 30th), before 5 p.m(Oct 1st–March 31st)

Amphitheater

- Outdoor Ceremony Venue
- Accommodates up to 85 guest
- Rental: \$100
- Includes: wedding arch, fire pit and wooden benches for seating

Amphitheater and Group Shelter

- Outdoor Ceremony Venue and Indoor Reception
- Accommodates up to 85 guest
- Rental: \$260
- Includes: Wedding arch, warming kitchen, chairs, and tables at the group shelter
- Available for check in after 10 a.m.

Stone Amphitheater and Group Shelter

- Outdoor Ceremony Venue and Indoor Reception
- Accommodates up to 85 guest
- Rental: \$260
- Includes: wedding arch, warming kitchen, chairs, and tables at the group shelter
- Available for check in at the Group Shelter after 10 a.m.

Stone Amphitheater

- Outdoor Ceremony Venue
- Accommodates up to 85 guest
- Rental: \$100
- Includes: wedding arch

Stone Picnic Shelter

- Outdoor Ceremony Venue and/or Reception
- Accommodates up to 75 guest
- Rental: \$50
- Includes: wedding arch

Large Group Shelter

- Indoor Reception
- Accommodates up to 125 guest
- Rental: \$500
- Includes: chairs, tables, warming kitchen and fire place

Group Shelter

- Indoor Reception
- Accommodates up to 85 guest
- Rental: \$165
- Includes up to 98 chairs, 14 large tables, and a warming kitchen

Lake Franklin Overlook

- Outdoor Ceremony
- Accommodates up to 20
- Rental: \$75
- Includes: wedding arch

Valley Overlook

- Outdoor Ceremony
- Accommodates up to 70
- Rental: \$100
- Includes: wedding arch

Gardens Overlook

- Outdoor Ceremony
- Accommodates up to 20
- Rental: \$75
- Includes: wedding arch

Ultimate Wedding Package

- Includes in Price:
 - Rehearsal rental fee
 - Ceremony Space
 - Reception Space at the Group Shelter
 - One cottage for the night before and night of the wedding (2 nights)
 - Additional cottage the day of the wedding for the wedding party to prepare
- Includes: wedding arch, chairs and tables at the reception
- Accommodates up to 85 guest
- Rental: \$800 (\$900 with Dowdell's Knob or Small Group Camp)

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Dowdell's Knob Overlook

The Dowdell's Knob Overlook is well known for the time that former President F.D. Roosevelt spent overlooking the valley. This overlook provides a breath taking experience for you and your guest.

Rental Fees: \$300 for up to 4 hours

Capacity: Outdoor seating, 20 cars can be parked at the venue. **Not available for receptions**

F.D. Roosevelt State Park Dowdell's Knob Guidelines

- Reservations are required to use Dowdell's Knob for wedding ceremonies, rehearsals and events
- Rehearsals: Use of the Overlook for a rehearsal is not included in the rental fee. The privacy fee is not included during this time. Please see extras for a privacy fee and rehearsal fee to be included during this time. Rehearsal date and time should be scheduled when the Overlook is reserved.
- Park Admission: Discounted parking passes may be purchased up to one week prior to the wedding when final guest count is provided. Please see extras for prices. The regular \$5 parking fee will be charged per car if not bought in advance.
- Rice, birdseed, and sparklers may not be used due to the harm they cause wildlife and natural resources. The release of any animal is also prohibited.
- Alcohol is prohibited on the premises.
- The natural beauty of the Overlook causes for most wedding parties to find additional decorations not necessary. Though if you do find the need for extra decorations please consider the use of: nails, staples or heavily gummed tape (duct tape) is not permitted.
- All existing features, including signage, must remain in place.

Dowdell's Knob Overlook Reservations

The Overlook is a key feature to the park. It is necessary to schedule rehearsals and ceremonies around Park events and hours of operation. The park is open year round from 7 a.m to 10 p.m daily. The use of the Overlook must be before 8 p.m. (April 1- Sept 30) and before 5 p.m (Oct 1st – March 31st).

A non-refundable deposit is required the day the reservation is created. Please see the Payment Guidelines section for additional information.

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Lake Franklin Overlook OR Gardens Overlook

Both overlooks provide a breath taking experience for you and your guest. They are located on Highway 190 and are enjoyed by park guest on a daily basis. The overlook is only available for outdoor ceremonies.

Rental Fees: \$75

Capacity: 20 guests

F.D. Roosevelt State Park Overlook Guidelines

- Reservations are required for the use of Lake Franklin/ Gardens Overlook for wedding ceremonies, rehearsals and events
- Rehearsals: Use of the Overlook for a rehearsal is not included in the rental fee. The privacy fee is not included during this time. Please see extras for a privacy fee and rehearsal fee to be included during this time. Rehearsal date and time should be scheduled when the Overlook is reserved.
- Park Admission: Discounted parking passes may be purchased up to one week prior to the wedding when final guest count is provided. Please see extras for prices. The regular \$5 parking fee will be charged per car if not bought in advance.
- Rice, birdseed, and sparklers may not be used due to the harm they cause wildlife and natural resources. The release of any animal is also prohibited.
- Alcohol is prohibited on the premises.
- The natural beauty of the Overlook causes for most wedding parties to find additional decorations not necessary. Though if you do find the need for extra decorations please consider the use of: nails, staples or heavily gummed tape (duct tape) is not permitted.
- All existing features, including signage, must remain in place.

Overlook Reservations

The Overlooks are a key feature to the park. It is necessary to schedule rehearsals and ceremonies around Park events and hours of operation. The park is open year round from 7 a.m to 10 p.m daily.

A non-refundable deposit is required the day the reservation is created. Please see the Payment Guidelines section for additional information.

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Valley Overlook

The Valley Overlook is well known for the breath taking view it provides of the Pine Mountain Valley. This overlook provides a picturesque view for you and your guest.

Rental Fees: \$100

Capacity: Accommodates up to 70 guest

F.D. Roosevelt State Park Valley Overlook

- Reservations are required for the use of the Valley Overlook for wedding ceremonies, rehearsals and events
- Rehearsals: Use of the Overlook for a rehearsal is not included in the rental fee. The privacy fee is not included during this time. Please see extras for a privacy fee and rehearsal fee to be included during this time. Rehearsal date and time should be scheduled when the Overlook is reserved.
- Park Admission: Discounted parking passes may be purchased up to one week prior to the wedding when final guest count is provided. Please see extras for prices. The regular \$5 parking fee will be charged per car if not bought in advance.
- Rice, birdseed, and sparklers may not be used due to the harm they cause wildlife and natural resources. The release of any animal is also prohibited.
- Alcohol is prohibited on the premises.
- The natural beauty of the Overlook causes for most wedding parties to find additional decorations not necessary. Though if you do find the need for extra decorations please consider the use of: nails, staples or heavily gummed tape (duct tape) is not permitted.
- All existing features, including signage, must remain in place.

Valley Overlook Reservations

The Overlook is a key feature to the park. It is necessary to schedule rehearsals and ceremonies around Park events and hours of operation. The park is open year round from 7 a.m to 10 p.m daily.

A non-refundable deposit is required the day the reservation is created. Please see the Payment Guidelines section for additional information.

CEREMONY AND RECEPTION VENUES

Amphitheater

The Amphitheater is recently constructed and is nestled in the woods of the park. This location offers a quite and intimate ceremony.

Rental Fees: \$ 100

Capacity: Maximum of 85 guests

F.D. Roosevelt State Park Amphitheater

- Reservations are required for the use of the Amphitheater for wedding ceremonies, rehearsals and other events
- The Rental Fee includes use of the Amphitheater
- Rehearsals: Use of the Amphitheater for a rehearsal is not included in the rental fee. The privacy fee is not included during this time. Please see extras for a privacy fee to be included during this time. Rehearsal date and time should be scheduled when the Amphitheater is reserved.
- Park Admission: Discounted parking passes may be purchased up to one week prior to the wedding when final guest count is provided. Please see extras for prices. The regular \$5 parking fee will be charged per car if not bought in advance.
- Alcohol is prohibited on the premises.
- Rice, birdseed, and sparklers may not be used due to the harm they cause wildlife and natural resources. The release of any animal is also prohibited.
- The natural beauty of the Amphitheater causes for most wedding parties to find additional decorations not necessary. Though if you do find the need for extra decorations please consider the use of: nails, staples or heavily gummed tape (duct tape) is not permitted.
- All existing features, including signage, must remain in place.

Amphitheater Reservation

The Amphitheater is a key feature to the park. It is necessary to schedule rehearsals and ceremonies around Park events and hours of operation. The park is open year round from 7 a.m to 10 p.m daily.

A non-refundable deposit is required the day the reservation is created. Please see the Payment Guidelines section for additional information.

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Amphitheater and Group Shelter

The Amphitheater is recently constructed and is nestled in the woods of the park. This location offers a quite and intimate ceremony. Following the ceremony the guest can enjoy a short walk to the group shelter for the reception.

Rental Fees: \$260

Capacity: Maximum of 85 guests

F.D. Roosevelt State Park Amphitheater and Group Shelter Guidelines

- Reservations are required for the use of the Amphitheater and Group Shelter for wedding ceremonies, rehearsals, receptions and other events
- The Facility Fee includes use of the Amphitheater and Group Shelter
- Rehearsals: Use of the Amphitheater for a rehearsal is not included in the rental fee. The privacy fee is not included during this time. Please see extras for a privacy fee to be included during this time. Rehearsal date and time should be scheduled when the Overlook is reserved.
- Park Admission: Discounted parking passes may be purchased up to one week prior to the wedding when final guest count is provided. Please see extras for prices. The regular \$5 parking fee will be charged per car if not bought in advance.
- Rice, birdseed, and sparklers may not be used due to the harm they cause wildlife and natural resources. The release of any animal is also prohibited.
- The natural beauty of the Amphitheater and Group Shelter causes for most wedding parties to find additional decorations not necessary. Though if you do find the need for extra decorations please consider the use of: nails, staples or heavily gummed tape (duct tape) is not permitted.
- All existing features, including signage, must remain in place.
- Alcohol is permitted ONLY inside the building.

Amphitheater and Group Shelter Reservation

The Amphitheater and Group Shelter are key features to the park. It is necessary to schedule rehearsals and ceremonies around Park events and hours of operation. The park is open year round from 7 a.m to 10 p.m daily.

A non-refundable deposit is required the day the reservation is created. Please see the Payment Guidelines section for additional information.

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Stone Amphitheater

The Stone Amphitheater offers a breath taking view of the Pine Mountain Valley. It is conveniently located next to the Park Visitor Center off Highway 190. The Amphitheater was built by the CCC, created by F.D. Roosevelt during the Great Depression.

Rental Fee: \$100

Capacity: Maximum of 85 guests

F.D. Roosevelt State Park Stone Amphitheater Guidelines

- Reservations are required for the use of the Stone Amphitheater for wedding ceremonies, rehearsals and other events
- The Rental Fee includes use of the Stone Amphitheater only.
- Rehearsals: Use of the Stone Amphitheater for a rehearsal is not included in the rental fee. The privacy fee is not included during this time. Please see extras for a privacy fee to be included during this time. Rehearsal date and time should be scheduled when the Stone Amphitheater is reserved.
- Alcohol is prohibited from the premises
- Park Admission: Discounted parking passes may be purchased up to one week prior to the wedding when final guest count is provided. Please see extras for prices. The regular \$5 parking fee will be charged per car if not bought in advance.
- Rice, birdseed, and sparklers may not be used due to the harm they cause wildlife and natural resources. The release of any animal is also prohibited.
- The natural beauty of the Stone Amphitheater causes for most wedding parties to find additional decorations not necessary. Though if you do find the need for extra decorations please consider the use of: nails, staples or heavily gummed tape (duct tape) is not permitted.
- All existing features, including signage, must remain in place.

Stone Amphitheater Reservation

The Stone Amphitheater is a key feature to the park. It is necessary to schedule rehearsals and ceremonies around Park events and hours of operation. The park is open year round from 7 a.m to 10 p.m daily.

A non-refundable deposit is required the day the reservation is created. Please see the Payment Guidelines section for additional information.

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Stone Picnic Shelter

The Stone Picnic Shelter is located next to the Liberty Bell Pool. The pool is made from stone which was collected on the mountain and was constructed by the CCC. This stone building has been used for many weddings and provide the perfect atmosphere for an intimate wedding.

Rental Fees: \$50

Capacity: Maximum 75 people

F.D. Roosevelt State Park Stone Picnic Shelter Guidelines

- Reservations are required for the use of the Stone Picnic Shelter for wedding ceremonies, rehearsals and other events
- The Rental Fee includes use of the Stone Picnic Shelter only.
- Rehearsals: Use of the Stone Picnic Shelter for a rehearsal is not included in the rental fee. The privacy fee is not included during this time. Please see extras for a privacy fee to be included during this time. Rehearsal date and time should be scheduled when the Stone Picnic Shelter is reserved.
- Alcohol is prohibited from the premises
- Park Admission: Discounted parking passes may be purchased up to one week prior to the wedding when final guest count is provided. Please see extras for prices. The regular \$5 parking fee will be charged per car if not bought in advance.
- Rice, birdseed, and sparklers may not be used due to the harm they cause wildlife and natural resources. The release of any animal is also prohibited.
- The natural beauty of the Stone Picnic Shelter causes for most wedding parties to find additional decorations not necessary. Though if you do find the need for extra decorations please consider the use of: nails, staples or heavily gummed tape (duct tape) is not permitted.
- All existing features, including signage, must remain in place

Stone Picnic Shelter Reservation

The Stone Picnic Shelter is a key feature to the park. It is necessary to schedule rehearsals and ceremonies around Park events and hours of operation. The park is open year round from 7 a.m to 10 p.m daily. Reservations of the Stone Picnic Shelter are available year round.

A non-refundable deposit is required the day the reservation is created. Please see the Payment Guidelines section for additional information.

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Large Group Shelter (COMING SOON)

The Large Group Shelter was previously part of our Large Group Camp. The venue overlooks Lake Franklin which is a 25 acre lake. It provides a warming kitchen for the reception or rehearsal dinner and ample space for guest indoors and outdoors. The Shelter can only be reserved for Receptions and/or Rehearsal Dinners.

Rental Fee: TBA

Capacity: Indoor seating for 125 Guest

F.D Roosevelt Large Group Shelter Guidelines

- Reservations are required for the use of the Large Group Shelter for wedding ceremonies, rehearsals and other events
- The Rental Fee includes use of the Large Group Shelter which opens at 10 a.m the morning of the reservation.
- Park Admission: Discounted parking passes may be purchased up to one week prior to the wedding when final guest count is provided. Please see extras for prices. The regular \$5 parking fee will be charged per car if not bought in advance.
- Rice, birdseed, and sparklers may not be used due to the harm they cause wildlife and natural resources. The release of any animal is also prohibited.
- The natural beauty of the Large Group Shelter causes for most wedding parties to find additional decorations not necessary. Though if you do find the need for extra decorations please consider the use of: nails, staples or heavily gummed tape (duct tape) is not permitted.
- All existing features, including signage, must remain in place.
- Alcohol is permitted ONLY inside the building.

The Large Group Shelter Reservation

The Large Group Shelter is a key feature to the park. It is necessary to schedule rehearsals and ceremonies around Park events and hours of operation. The park is open year round from 7 a.m to 10 p.m daily.

A non-refundable deposit is required the day the reservation is created. Please see the Payment Guidelines section for additional information.

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Group Shelter (ONLY)

This Group Shelter is located near the Park Campground behind Lake Delanor. It is an enclosed shelter and provides a warming kitchen for the reception or rehearsal dinner. This is a wonderful place for a small reception or rehearsal dinner. It is also located near our Amphitheater. There are 14 tables and 98 chairs located in the group shelter.

Rental Fee: \$165

Capacity: maximum 85 guests

F.D. Roosevelt State Park Group Shelter Guidelines

- Reservations are required for the use of the Group Shelter for wedding ceremonies, rehearsals and other events
- The Rental Fee includes use of the Group Shelter starting at 10 a.m the day of the reservation.
- Park Admission: Discounted parking passes may be purchased up to one week prior to the wedding when final guest count is provided. Please see extras for prices. The regular \$5 parking fee will be charged per car if not bought in advance.
- Rice, birdseed, and sparklers may not be used due to the harm they cause wildlife and natural resources. The release of any animal is also prohibited.
- The natural beauty of the Group Shelter causes for most wedding parties to find additional decorations not necessary. Though if you do find the need for extra decorations please consider the use of: nails, staples or heavily gummed tape (duct tape) is not permitted.
- All existing features, including signage, must remain in place.
- Alcohol is permitted ONLY inside the building.

The Group Shelter Reservation

The Group Shelter is a key feature to the park. It is necessary to schedule rehearsals and ceremonies around Park events and hours of operation. The park is open year round from 7 a.m to 10 p.m daily.

A non-refundable deposit is required the day the reservation is created. Please see the Payment Guidelines section for additional information.

Ultimate Wedding Package

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The Ultimate Wedding Package was created to make your decisions as a Bride and Groom as simple as possible. The State Park is well known for its beautiful scenery and recently updated accommodations.

Rental Fee: \$800 (\$900 with Dowdell's Knob)

- Includes in Price:
 - Rehearsal rental fee
 - Ceremony Space
 - Reception Space at the Group Shelter
 - One cottage for the night before and night of the wedding (2 nights)
 - Additional cottage the day of the wedding for the wedding party to prepare

Capacity: maximum 85 guests

F.D. Roosevelt State Park Guidelines

- Reservations are required for the use of any venue for wedding ceremonies, rehearsals and other events.
- Park Admission: Discounted parking passes may be purchased up to one week prior to the wedding when final guest count is provided. Please see extras for prices. The regular \$5 parking fee will be charged per car if not bought in advance.
- Rice, birdseed, and sparklers may not be used due to the harm they cause wildlife and natural resources. The release of any animal is also prohibited.
- The natural beauty of the Group Shelter causes for most wedding parties to find additional decorations not necessary. Though if you do find the need for extra decorations please consider the use of: nails, staples or heavily gummed tape (duct tape) is not permitted.
- All existing features, including signage, must remain in place.
- Alcohol is permitted ONLY inside the building.

The Venues Chosen

The Park Venues are a key feature to the park. It is necessary to schedule rehearsals and ceremonies around Park events and hours of operation. The park is open year round from 7 a.m to 10 p.m daily.

A non-refundable deposit is required the day the reservation is created. Please see the Payment Guidelines section for additional information.

ENGAGEMENT PHOTOS

Once a couple has booked a wedding with us, we offer the opportunity to do engagement photos at F.D. Roosevelt State Park. Simply schedule an appointment with our staff and you will be provided up to four park passes (bride, groom, photographer and one guest) to enter the Park. Please be aware that the State Park does not provide the photographer.

WEDDING VENDORS, OFFICIANTS AND LICENCES

There are no restrictions regarding who you select for photography, videographer, wedding cake bakers, bands, disc jockeys, florists or other services for your wedding. F.D. Roosevelt State Park does offer a list of vendors who are familiar with our venues and operating routines. This list will be made available to you with your confirmation. There are no restrictions on whom you select to perform your wedding ceremony, or who you choose to coordinate your wedding.

A Georgia marriage license is required for all weddings conducted at F.D. Roosevelt State Park. If either party is a Georgia resident, the license may be obtained in any county in Georgia. If neither the bride nor the groom is a Georgia resident, a license must be purchased from the Harris County Probate Office, located at the Harris County Courthouse in Hamilton. The Probate Office is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., for issuance of marriage licenses. The phone number is 706.628.5038.

To obtain a marriage license in Georgia, you must be 18 years old and have legal documents verifying your age. There is no waiting period for obtaining your license. The current fee for marriage licenses in Harris County is \$21 (with proof of six hours of pre-marriage counseling). The fee may increase to \$61 for couples who have not undergone pre-marital counseling. If either party has been previously divorced, a copy of the final judgment and decree of divorce must be presented at the time application is made for the license.

PAYMENT GUIDELINES

Due to the demand for wedding venues at F.D. Roosevelt State Park, it is important that dates are reserved only for those who are definitely planning on using these facilities. In order for F.D. Roosevelt State Park to consider your reservations definite and confirmed, the rental fee for the venue of choice is due the day the reservation is made. The rental of cottages require one night per cottage to be paid in full at the time of the reservation.

It is expected that all details for the wedding will be finalized between six (6) to eight (8) weeks prior to the wedding date. These details include setup and any rental arrangements for which F.D. Roosevelt will be responsible. An estimate of the total charges will be provided at this time. All estimated charges are due the day of arrival.

Your final attendance count is due at least seven (7) business days (Monday-Friday) prior to arrival. This will be considered your minimum guarantee and cannot be reduced. If no guarantee is received, the original expected attendance on your Banquet Event Order will be used to determine the attendance and subsequent charges. Pre-payment will be required for any and all anticipated charges to the wedding account, including guest room

and all wedding reception and related charges. A credit card may be used to guarantee payment of the final balance due.

CABIN RENTAL

Our cabins are rented year round and provided great accommodations for you and your family. Our cabins are located next to Lake Delanor and can provide a romantic get-away for the newly weds and/or a place to get ready for the big day! Our cabins are reserved for a minimum of two nights throughout the year and three night stay during holiday weekends. We can provide accommodations in the cabins from 2 people to 10 people.

If your wedding is booked through us we can offer a 10% discount off any cabin. Cabins may be reserved up to 13 months in advance. Offer is only valid with availability. To reserve a cottage at least one night payment is required at the time of the reservation.

The cabins are provided with linens and towels for your stay. There is a kitchen in each cottage, along with at least one restroom.

Cottage 22 is the perfect place for a bachelor or bachelorette party. The cottage holds ten guests and is located toward the east end of the park, nestled in the woods. Ask our wedding planner about special offers when booking your reservation at the Park.

Additional ceremony/reception options:

- Pre-paid parking pass (25% savings- passes effective day of wedding ceremony only)
 - 50 vehicles= \$200
 - 25 vehicles= \$100
- Privacy Fee
 - This fee is \$75 per location and is optional. This option is not available to every location and is up to the Manager if feasible. This will ensure that cars can not access the chosen venue but will not rule out hikers. Hikers who are on the trail from other access points may still cross venue points to access the trail.

Non-Refundable Deposit

-There will be a non-refundable deposit to be made at the time of your reservation. Depending on the wedding package of your choice a set amount will be determined. Please be aware this deposit can not be returned if the wedding is canceled or if any weather issues that may arise.