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#### INITIAL CONSULT | What to bring & know.

Your vision for the reception • Number of guests • Tentative wedding date Ideas and pictures • Decision makers that need to be included in tour





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#### WHAT TO ASK

✤ WHAT IS THE FACILITY'S CAPACITY?



Find out what is included, how much the deposit is, and when the balance is due.

IS THERE A WEDDING COORDINATOR ON STAFF THAT WILL BE THERE THE ENTIRE TIME?

Make sure you meet the person who will be on site that day.

DOES THE FACILITY PROVIDE CATERING, HAVE A LIST OF APPROVED CATERERS, OR ALLOW OUTSIDE CATERING?

Also make sure to find out if you can make any special menu requests.

✤ DO YOU CHARGE FOR EXTRA SERVICES?

Find out if the chairs, tables, linens, and glassware are included. Often there is an extra charge for cake cutting & alcohol service.

#### ✤ WHAT IS THE WAIT STAFF UNIFORM?

Undoubtedly they have professional attire, but if you have a themed wedding, make sure to ask if they will accommodate any special wardrobe requests.

WHERE SHOULD THE BAND, DJ AND/OR PHOTOBOOTH ENTERTAINMENT SET-UP?

Make sure the space can properly accommodate your entertainment for the night and that they have access to the proper electricity. Also verify that the dance floor is large enough to accommodate your number of guests.

DOES YOUR VENUE HAVE EXCLUSIVE AV SERVICE OFFERINGS?

Some venues have their own Gobo projectors and uplighting equipment and will not allow any outside vendors, such as DJs, to bring in their own equipment.

✤ HOW IS ACCESSIBILITY?

Check out the parking situation to make sure they have enough for your event and that it is conveniently available. Also make sure the facility is handicap accessible.





#### OUTDOOR VENUES

✤ DOES THE SITE HAVE ANY RESTRICTIONS?

Each local park has particular rules and regulations. Make sure to find out well in advance which ones apply to your event.

DOES THE SITE HAVE SOME KIND OF SHELTER?

If not, you will have to provide your own. Rental tents are available in many styles and sizes: from open-air canopies to tents enclosed with French windowed walls. Some can even accommodate up to 2,500 people.

✤ IS THERE RESTROOM ACCESSIBILITY?

Even if there is accessibility, the restrooms may not be suitable for your affair. Portable restrooms now come equipped with the latest amenities. Units are clean and can come with flushing toilets, sinks, mirrors and lights, providing all the conveniences of an indoor facility outdoors. IS THERE AN ALTERNATE OPTION IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER?

If there are extreme weather conditions you will need to have a back up plan.

WILL WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH A LARGE INSECT POPULATION?

Depending on the time of year, you may have to spray or find a way to combat pesky creatures.

#### A DO WE NEED POWER?

If you're setting up lighting, a sound system, or have live music, you may need to set up a generator in order to have access to electricity.

#### ✤ WHAT RENTALS WILL I NEED?

Don't forget tables, chairs, table settings, linens, and chair covers. Rental companies also offer dance floors, lighting, audio-visual equipment, and more to provide the ideal atmosphere for any celebration.

#### COST BREAKDOWN

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The time of year and day of the week play a large role in overall cost. High demand seasons like late summer and early fall are costlier than off-season times. Similarly, expect greater savings if you choose a Friday or Sunday to get married instead of the popular Saturday.

NUMBER OF GUESTS

A large guest list means more of everything: space, rentals, number of servers, etc.

#### AFACILITY

Your facility fee includes overhead costs like staff wages, training, taxes, maintenance, linens, serviceware, various licenses, and insurance.

#### TRENDING

Couples are thinking outside the box for unique outdoor reception space from terraces, vineyards, gardens, backyards, roaring fields and forests. They are also transforming indoor venues with luxury draping and lounge areas, creating new unique spaces. Friday evening & Sunday weddings are also a popular request and can have huge cost savings.

#### EXPERT ADVICE

The venue's Event Coordinator really does know the venue best. When selecting your reception space, keep in mind the comfort of your guests and ask the Event Coordinator the comfortable guest capacity.

#### TIMING

- 12-18 MONTHS BEFORE: Tour & book your venue
- 6-18 MONTHS BEFORE: Tour and book your venue
- 1 MONTH BEFORE: Final appointment with site coordinator to solidify final plans
- 1 WEEK BEFORE: Contact site coordinator to verify final details



Maija Maier, Catering Sales Manager and Lauren Kolnik, Event Manager

#### SHERATON MADISON HOTEL 706 John Nolen Drive, Madison, WI

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The Sheraton Madison Hotel provides an effortless and memorable celebration space with catering for groups up to 400. You and your wedding guests can enjoy everything the Sheraton Madison has to offer from the café to the lounge, to the pool and even elevated club level guestrooms. The Sheraton Madison is able to host all your celebratory events under one roof, allowing your guests to take the elevator home at the end of the night!

Maija started working in the hotel industry completely by accident. She states, "I worked in hotels throughout college which brought me to sales. I have also been involved in the local wedding market working with vendors in the Madison market from a very young age. The buzz and excitement of weddings always captured me!" Lauren had a very similar experience getting involved in the industry. She explains, "I worked in a four diamond resort through college and coordinated wedding ceremonies at my church. With developing a passion for the wedding and catering market, I quickly found my home in an Event Manager role."

The pair offers the following advice when it comes to choosing your wedding location: "When you select a venue, you're also selecting individuals that you will be working very closely with on one of the most important days of your life. Choose someone you connect with and that you trust." Maija and Lauren enjoy working with couples to make their wedding vision come to life, putting their heads and years of experience together to create the best wedding celebration possible!

rehearsal & reception venues

venue	capacity	# of banquet rooms	ceremony site	outdoor area	in-house catering	private catering OK	
Agora Pavilion Fitchburg • (608) 277-2592 fitchburgcenter.com	200	1	•	0		۰	
Al. Ringling Mansion Baraboo • (608) 448-7455 ringlingmansion.com	300	1	•	۰		٠	
Betty Lou Cruises Madison • (608) 246-3138 bettyloucruises.com	100		۰	۰	۰		
Bishops Bay Country Club Middleton • (608) 232-4201 bishopsbay.com	350	4	۰	۰	۰		
Blackhawk Country Club Madison • (608) 231-2454 blackhawkcc.com	300	1	•	۰	•		
Bunky's Catering Madison • (608)204-7004 bunkyscafe.net	50	1			۰		
Cambridge Winery Cambridge • (608) 423-2348 cambridgewinery.com	300	1	۰	۰	۰	۰	
Candlewood Suites Fitchburg • (608) 271-3400 candlewoodsuites.com/ fitchburgwi	225	2			0		
Capital Brewery Middleton • (608) 826-1081 capitalbrewery.com	450	1	۰	0		۰	
Chapel of the Archangels Beaver Dam • (920) 356-1900 chapelofthearchangels.com	235	1	۰			٠	
Charlie's on Main Oregon • (608) 291-2255 charliesmainevent.com	90	2	٠		۰		
Chula Vista Resort WI Dells • (866) 382-4852 chulavistaresort.com	800	4	•	٠	٠		
Coachman's Golf Resort Edgerton • (608) 884-8484 coachmans.com	400	3	•	۰	٠		
Creekside Place Evansville • (608) 882-0407 creeksideplace.org	260	2	•	0		•	

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Crowne Plaza Madison • (608) 243-1814 cpmadisonhotel.com	350	2	•	۰		•
The Crystal Room WI Dells • (608) 253-2200 dellscrystalroom.com	300	1	۰	۰	٥	
Deer Valley Lodge Barneveld • (888) 924-1601 deervalleylodgewi.com	400	1	•	۰	۰	
Devil's Head Resort Merrimac • (608) 493-2251 devilsheadresort.com	600	5	۰	۰	۰	
Dorf Haus Roxbury • (608) 643-3980 foodspot.com/dorfhaus	450	1	•	۰	۰	
The East Side Club Madison • (608) 222-9131 escmadison.com	600	2	۰	ø		۰
The Edgewater Madison • (608) 535-8171 theedgewater.com	400	5	۰	۰	٥	
The Fields Reserve Stoughton • (608) 636-6400 fieldsreserve.com	300	1	•	۰		٠
Golden Mast Okauchee • (262) 567-7047 goldenmastinn.com	350	4	٠	۰	۰	
Goodman Community Center Madison • (608) 241-1574 www.goodmancenter.org	152	3	۰		0	٥
Harvest Restaurant Madison • (608) 255-6075 harvest-restaurant.com	130	2			۰	
Hi Point Steak House Ridgeway • (608) 924-2819 hipointsteakhouse.com	75	1	•	۰	0	

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Ho-Chunk Gaming - Wisconsin Dells Hotel & Convention Center Baraboo • (800) 746-2486 ho-chunkgaming.com	1,000	2	•	۰	۰	
Holiday Inn & Suites Madison West Madison • (608) 826-0500 wiscohotels.com	220	1	۰		٥	
Holiday Inn Madison at the American Center Madison • (608) 249-4220 holidayinn.com/madisonwi	200	1	•	۰	۰	
Howard Johnson Hotel, Madison • (608) 244-2481 madisonwihotelhj.com	200	5		۰	۰	
Janesville Conference Center at Holiday Inn Express Janesville • (608) 741-1930 janesvilleconferencecenter.com	600	2	٠	۰	۰	
Kalahari Waterpark Resort Convention Center WI Dells • (608) 254-3303, kalahariresortweddings.com	1200	12	۰		۰	
Kestrel Ridge Golf Club, Columbus • (920) 623-4653 kestrelridgegolf.com	250	1	•	۰	۰	
The Lageret Stoughton • (608) 921-6400 thelageret.com	240	1	۰			۰
Lake Windsor Country Club Windsor • (608) 846-4711 lakewindsor.com	400	2	•	۰	۰	
Lake Wisconsin Country Club Prairie Du Sac • (608) 643-4554 Iakewisconsincc.com	240	1	٠		۰	
The Legend at Bergamont Oregon • (608) 291-2400 thelegendatbergamont.com	425	2	•	۰	۰	
Liliana's Restaurant Madison • (608), 442-4444 Iilianasrestaurant.com	150	1		۰	۰	

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Park Hotel Madison • (608) 285-8000 parkhotelmadison.com	350	3	۰		۰	
The Pavilion at Angell Park Speedway Sun Prairie • (608) 837-5252 angellparkspeedway.net	400	1	٠	۰		٠
Pioneer Creek Farm Lomira • (262) 751-1426 pioneercreekfarm.com	200	1	۰	0		۰
Porta Bella Madison • (608) 256-3186 portabellarestaurant.biz	200	4	۰	۰	۰	
Quivey's Grove Madison • (608) 273-4900 quiveysgrove.com	250	5	٠	۰	۰	
Savanna Oaks Event Center Fall River • (920) 484-6267 savannaoakscenter.com	200	1	٠	۰	۰	
Sheraton Madison Hotel Madison • (608) 260-2304 sheraton.com/madison	400	14	۰		0	
Sprecher's Restaurant & Pub Madison • (608) 333-1977 sprecherspub.com	60	4		٥	٥	
Stoughton Country Club Stoughton • (608) 873-7861 stoughtoncountryclub.com	250	2	۰	۰	۰	
Sugarland Arena • (608) 795-4909 sugarland-weddings.com	300	1	•	•	۰	
The Swan Barn Door WI Dells • (608) 254-5900 theswanbarndoor.com	500	1	•		۰	•
The Thirsty Goat Fitchburg • (608) 422-5500 thirstygoatbrew.com	80	2		۰	۰	
Trappers Turn Golf Club WI Dells • (608) 254-3303 trappersturn.com	150	1	•	٠	۰	

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Coachman's Golf Resort provides a beautiful setting and complete banquet facilities with new outdoor venue for your wedding reception or rehearsal dinner. Guest accommodations are available, including fireplace/whirlpool suites.

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#### COACHMAN'S GOLF RESORT

#### 984 County Road A, Edgerton, WI 53534 | 608-884-8484 Theresa Johnson 608-217-5519 | www.coachmans.com

Located in: Edgerton | Total square footage: 4,000 sq ft (Outdoor) Number of event spaces: 3+ outdoor | Capacity: 40-385 | Catering: On-site | Parking: On-site

Includes: Tables, Chairs, Linens, Event Coordinator, Serviceware, Barware

Special Features: Brand new banquet facility, located on golf course, outdoor patio and fire pit.

Coachman's Golf Resort has been family-owned and operated for 53 years. Located in Edgerton just a short drive southeast of Madison, their beautiful setting overlooks a 27-hole golf course and is perfect for the couple looking for a destination wedding close to home.

Golf lovers and outdoor enthusiasts alike will treasure Coachman's picturesque setting and will relish all the amenities Coachman's has to offer. New in 2014 is a beautiful outdoor venue that seats up to 385 people and offers stately views of the golf course.

Their staff is very willing to work with all couples to customize a package that works for them, whether that means helping you decide what gourmet specialties you want to serve or assisting you as you finalize the details of your special day. Couples and their guests will enjoy Coachman's nationally acclaimed wine list, which has won the Wine Spectator Award of Excellence for multiple years.



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The Perfect Setting... for the Perfect Start!

~Stylish ballroom for up to 300 guests ~Easy on/off 190/94 with free onsite parking ~Personal attention, 1 wedding per date ~Impeccable onsite catering ~Customized buffet or plated options ~Vintage elegance with an antique bar, fireplace & crystal chandeliers ~Outdoor patio available for cocktails ~Superior service by professional staff ~Private bar & bathrooms for your group ~Shuttle service available







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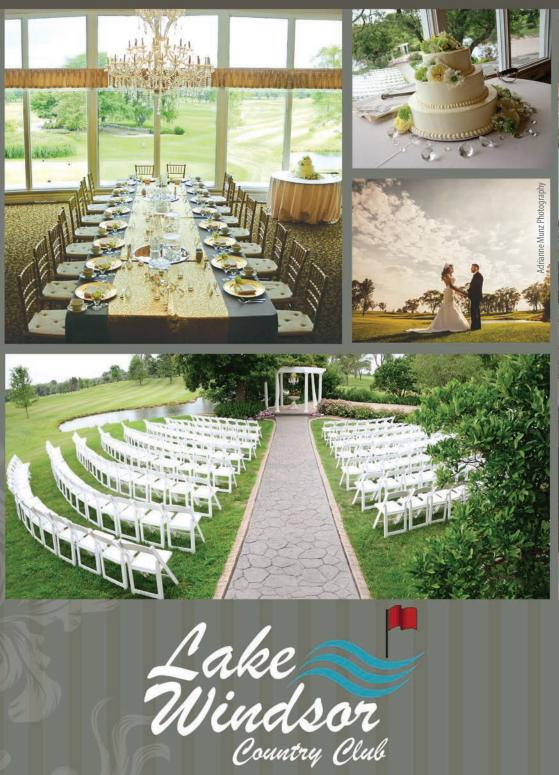
**Special Features:** The Glacier Canyon Conference Center Ballroom rental includes a bridal getting ready room, a gift opening room for the day after the wedding, and a hotel room for the bride and groom on the wedding night.

With over 20 years of experience, and spanning over 600 acres in Wisconsin Dells, the Wilderness Resort is the all-inclusive wedding destination of the Midwest. You and your guests will have everything you need to enjoy a wedding day or weekend getaway. The resort is home to Wild Rock Golf Club, Sundara Spa, Glacier Canyon Conference Center, and three different hotels (Wilderness Hotel, Glacier Canyon Lodge, and Wilderness on the Lake).

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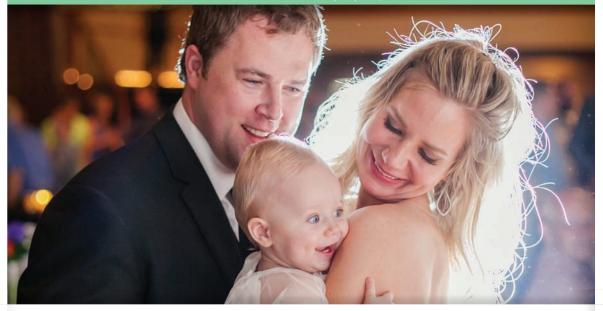
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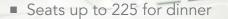


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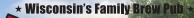
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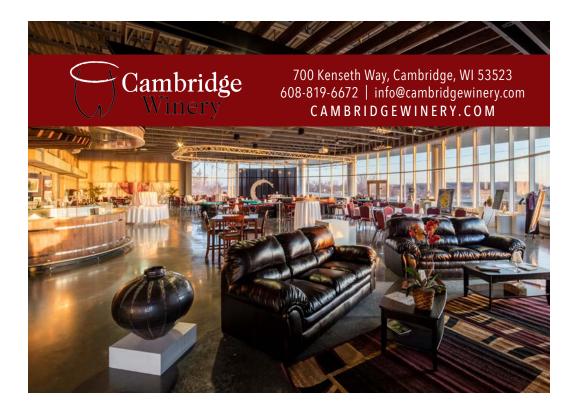
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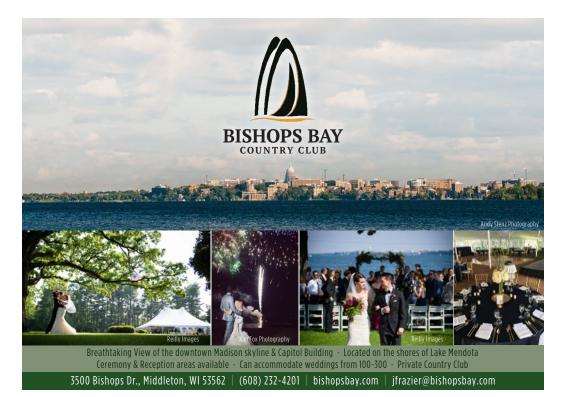
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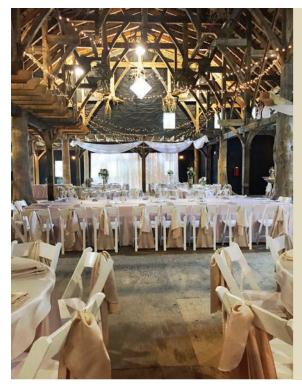


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