

S O U T H E R N ♦ C ' s

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Wedding Guide



Southern C's Farm is a beautiful 127 acre family-owned equestrian farm accommodating up to 200 guests nestled in Summerfield, NC.

Boasting fence-lined rolling pastures, roaming horses, a glistening lake, woodlands and unique structures, our farm is the perfect backdrop to host memorable weddings!

You'll experience first-class service paired with the peaceful simplicity of our property that is waiting to be transformed into your own unique day.

Let's start planning!



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The Details

EVENT SPACE

12-hour access to
The Pavilion
The Lodge
Lakeside
The Small Pavilion
Huntbox

CEREMONY LOCATIONS

Lakeside
Under The Oaks
The Pavilion

VENUE STAFF

Venue Host
Parking Attendant/Security

EQUIPMENT

Tables, gold chiavari chairs and white garden chairs for up to 200 guests

VENUE AND CATERING TEAM

Dedicated to helping organize in-house details surrounding your special day including menu planning, rentals, floor plan and vendor recommendations

ADDITIONAL FEATURES

Setup and Cleanup of Farm equipment
Weather Curtains, Industrial Fans and Heaters
Specialty Tables and Bars
Select Decor Items
String Lights
Golf Cart
Outdoor Games
Wifi
Ample Parking Field
Multitude of Photo Spots
1.5 Hour Ceremony Rehearsal
2 Hour Outdoor Photo Session
Access to Prismm for planning



Rental Rates

The 12-hour rental period is from 11 am - 11 pm
and includes time for vendor setup, the arrival through departure of guests and cleanup.

Saturday **\$6,500**

Friday/Sunday **\$4,500**

Monday - Thursday **\$3,500**

Additional time: \$250/hr
Holidays are subject to increased rate.

Sales tax is included in the venue rental rate! Sales tax will apply to other contracted items.
Pricing is subject to change until under contract.

Venue rental rate does not include food and beverage costs, which start at \$36 per guest.
Please see catering packages for details.

Enhancements

Add A Day Package **\$1,500**

Add access 3 pm - 9 pm the day prior to your wedding to decorate, rehearse and use The Lodge for your rehearsal dinner (catering is a separate fee)

This package may be scheduled:

- At 3 months prior to the event day for Saturday or Sunday weddings
- At anytime prior to the event day for Monday - Friday weddings

Overnight Stays

For reservations, please visit

<https://www.southernncsfarm.com/accommodations>

The Lodge, Log Cabin and Guesthouse may be reserved:

- At anytime for stays the night of the wedding
- At 3 months prior to the event date for other days

Frequently Asked Questions

When can I visit the space?

We would love to show you all Southern C's has to offer for your wedding! Due to our active event calendar, all tours and meetings should be scheduled in advance. Please email to schedule a time (virtual tours available too)!

How do I reserve my wedding date and what is the payment schedule?

- Submit a nonrefundable first payment of 25% of the estimated total due (venue rental rate + estimated catering costs) and a signed contract.
- Submit 2nd payment of 25% 4 months later.
- Submit final balance 1 week prior to the event date.

If the event is booked 4 or less months prior to the event date:

- Submit a nonrefundable first payment of 50% of the estimated total due (venue rental rate + estimated catering costs) and a signed contract.
- Submit final balance 1 week prior to the event date.

Payments are accepted by cash, check (payable to Pepper Moon Catering) and credit card. Please inquire about other payment plans.

May I make changes to my contract after booking?

Yes, you may make changes! We will work with you during the planning process to help you refine your food, beverage and rental selections. Whenever you make an update, we will provide a revised contract, so you know where your costs are allocated.

When are final details and guest count due?

You may change the estimated headcount provided at the time of booking. The final guaranteed guest count, menu selections, layout and event details are due 14 days prior to the Event Date and may not be reduced from that point.

What areas can we access?

Your rental includes access to The Pavilion, The Lodge, Lakeside and The Guesthouse. Access to barns and pastures are not permitted.





Are there overnight accommodations nearby?

Yes, The Lodge, Log Cabin and Guesthouse are available for overnight stays. The night of the wedding is available to reserve upon booking your wedding. Other days may be reserved at 3 months prior to the wedding date based upon availability.

Please see our vendor recommendation list for hotels.

What tables and chairs are provided?

- (200) gold chiavari chairs
- (200) white garden chairs
- (25) 60 inch rounds
- (6) 6 foot tables
- (10) cocktail tables
- 4 foot Farm Table
- 4 foot Sweetheart Table
- White buffet
- Wine Barrel Bar
- Mahogany Bar
- Decor inventory listed on website

We will gladly assist you with renting additional equipment if needed.

Equipment is subject to change.

What is a typical 12-hour wedding timeline?

- 5 hours Rehearsal, Getting Ready, Vendor Setup, Photos
- 30 minutes Guest arrival
- 30 minutes Ceremony
- 1 hour Cocktail Hour
- 4 hours Reception
- 1 hour Vendor Breakdown/Cleanup

Frequently Asked Questions

Do you offer time for a wedding rehearsal?

We offer 1.5 hours to rehearse the week of your wedding. The day and time is based upon availability and can be booked 30 days prior to your wedding.

Do you offer time for photos prior to the wedding day?

Yes, you'll have access to the grounds for a 2 hour engagement or bridal photo session prior to the wedding day. This must be scheduled in advance and depends on availability. Accommodation properties are not included, so please come dressed and ready for your session!

What happens in case of rain?

In case of rain, the ceremony and reception will be held under The Pavilion. We are all set for most conditions with weather curtains, fans and heaters. We'll make space for the ceremony to happen alongside your guests sitting at the reception tables. This means minimal resetting and less stress which ensures a smooth transition into cocktail hour. Venue staff reserves the right to make a final decision on ceremony location based upon weather conditions and safety.

Do you allow dogs?

Well-behaved dogs are allowed at the ceremony and pictures. Dogs must be on a leash and someone must be responsible for them other than the couple. Animals are not allowed in the Pavilion for the reception or The Lodge.

Do we need a microphone for ceremonies?

It is recommended to have a microphone for outdoor ceremonies. Your DJ or live musicians can usually provide sound equipment for this purpose. There are several power outlets available.

Do I have to use certain vendors? Is there a wedding coordinator requirement?

All food (with the exception of wedding cake and specialty desserts), beverage and equipment rentals (linen, china, chairs, etc) must be secured through Pepper Moon Catering/Southern C's.

Clients are required to hire a professional wedding coordinator that has been pre-approved.

We will gladly provide our approved list that has professionals with a variety of styles and price points. Coordinators must provide a detailed timeline and attend the final walk through meeting, rehearsal and be onsite through the end of the rental period. A seasoned coordinator is an essential part of your vendor team to create a successful wedding day!

You are welcome to hire other vendors to provide additional goods and services. We are happy to provide a list and chat about recommended vendors.

Can vendors drop off / pick up items outside of our rental period?

We are a working farm! For that reason, all deliveries must happen during your booked rental period.



May I bring in outside alcohol?

No alcohol is permitted to be carried in. All alcoholic beverages upon the premises must be provided and served by our staff. We offer a variety of bar service options to meet your budget. Please see the alcohol rules in your contract.

May I bring in wedding cake or specialty desserts?

Yes, and we are happy to provide cake cutting service at no additional charge.

Do you offer a food tasting?

We offer couples complimentary tickets to our two open house tastings per year. The tasting menu is selected to include a range of items such as hors d'oeuvres, entrees, and side dishes. You will experience a live event to help you envision your day while being assured of our excellent food quality and amazing catering staff service. It's delicious and a lot of fun to attend! Private tastings may be arranged for an additional charge.

Do you offer custom menus and special food requests?

Yes, the provided menus are a great starting point, but we love to custom design menus to reflect your personal tastes and the season. We are happy to discuss ethnic food, gluten/dairy/nut free, vegan/vegetarian and kids' options.

Policies

Following are usage policies that must be followed by Clients, Client's guests and vendors. Non-adherence to these policies will lead to fines. Clients are responsible for communicating policies to guests and vendors.

DECOR

- Bubbles, lavender, real flower petals or other similar organic materials are allowed outdoors only.
- Balloons may be used in moderation and cannot be tied to any pasture fence.
- Tape is the preferred method to attach decor items to beams or fixtures in The Pavilion.
- Only low tack tape, such as Gaff tape, may be used to tape down cords to any wood floor.
- Request prior approval from venue staff if desiring to move any Farm Inventory.
- Sparklers must be properly extinguished in a bucket of sand and be for adult use only.

DECOR NOT PERMITTED

Client will be charged for use of any of these items.

- Foil confetti, paper confetti, party string, sprinkles, birdseed, rice, fog machine, bubble machine, Chinese sky lanterns and pyrotechnics.
- The use of nails, tacks, tape, command strips, glue or staples to affix items to walls or floors in The Lodge.
- Silk petals
- Open flame - candles must be enclosed in glass or metal containers. Taper candles must be completely enclosed in a cylinder with a base to contain any wax drips. Battery candles are preferred.

CLEANUP

Venue and catering staff will take care of standard cleanup and trash removal.

- Clients and vendors are responsible for setting up and removing their own personal decor.
- All personal items, flowers (including petals on aisle), sparklers, decorations and signage must be removed without causing damage to the venue within the stated rental time period.
- If any decor remains after rental period, the Client will incur a Excessive Cleaning Fee.

SMOKING

Smoking is not permitted indoors. Cigarette/Cigar butts found outside disposal containers will be classified as damage to the venue and a fee will be assessed.

VEHICLES

Vehicles cannot be left overnight. Please advise your guests. The gates will be closed and as we are also a working farm, the gates remain closed at other times to keep the horses in. All parties are to use designated roads and parking areas only.

Policies

VENDORS

Client is responsible for communication of rules.

Vendors have access during the rental period. All equipment and residue must be removed by the conclusion of the rental period to avoid additional fees.

Florists

Florists may bring their own containers or use containers from The Farm Décor Inventory. Every arrangement/plant must have an underlying tray to prevent water marks on floors and/or furnishings.

Music/Entertainment

Volumes must be kept at a reasonable volume at all times. All music must end at least 1 hour prior to the end of rental period. All equipment in The Lodge must have felt/rubber bottoms or be placed on a carpet. The Farm reserves the right to end Music/Entertainment for not following these rules.

SAFETY

Access to barns and pastures is not permitted.

No adults or children should go in or near creek or lake. An accidental fall and drowning should be a concern. Please do not climb trees or touch animals or any wildlife on the Farm. Children must be supervised by an adult at all times.





Important Dates

Does the wedding planning process seem like a daunting task? We will help guide you every step of the way to make your venue and catering planning process an enjoyable one! With extensive experience in planning and executing weddings, we are uniquely equipped to take what may seem like a daunting task and smoothly transition your vision into your dream wedding.

INITIAL MONTHS

- Review this document and the contract which will answer many of your questions
- Use a planning guide to stay on track, such as <https://www.theknot.com/content/12-month-wedding-planning-countdown>
- Attend our open house/tastings (watch your email for info)
- Start completing your Wedding Info Sheet (will be emailed)
- Make 2nd payment

3-4 MONTHS PRIOR

- Schedule a planning appointment to discuss event timeline, room layout, food/beverage menu, vendor needs, and rental selections

1 MONTH PRIOR

- Firm up any decisions to be made
- Schedule a final walk through with your day of coordinator

2 WEEKS PRIOR

- Final food and beverage selections due
- Final guaranteed headcount due
- Finalize event details and layout
- Seating chart due

1 WEEK PRIOR

- Remaining balance due