

SPECIAL EVENT & WEDDING VENUES



DOGWOOD CANYON
NATURE PARK

STUNNING VENUES

Dogwood Canyon Nature Park is a 10,000-acre nature-lover's paradise spanning the Missouri-Arkansas border, just south of Branson. Experience miles of crystal clear streams, cascading waterfalls, ancient burial caves, unique hand-built bridges, and deep, blue-green pools. From stunning locations for ceremonies to prime dining options for your reception, Dogwood Canyon is the perfect location to celebrate your day and leave your guests speechless.

Our experienced special events manager will assist you as you plan and book your event. Recently featured in "BRIDES.com," Dogwood Canyon is certified with both WeddingWire and The Knot for its award-winning ceremonies and receptions.





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HOPE WILDERNESS CHAPEL

Friday & Saturday ceremonies must be concluded before 2PM if reception is not scheduled.



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Modeled after historic churches from the 1800's, the **Hope Wilderness Chapel** was hand-crafted from local materials including native short-leaf pine logs, rough-sawn oak flooring, and an eastern red cedar ceiling. Framing a striking view of a waterfall, the chapel's back wall has floor-to-ceiling windows and French doors leading onto a private patio perfect for wedding portraits.

VENUE HIGHLIGHTS

- 2 Hours (additional hours and/or early setup options available)
- 100 person occupancy

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Chapel and bridal suite
- Setup, tear down and cleanup
- Tram transportation for guests between chapel and parking area
- Onsite event manager





CHAPEL PATIO



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The **Chapel Patio** is located directly behind Hope Wilderness Chapel, allowing you to host your ceremony and reception in one picturesque location. The waterfall serves as a beautiful backdrop for your ceremony with the option of hosting your reception at one of our other venue locations. The Chapel Patio accommodates up to 100 people and is available for weddings, elopements, vow renewals, meetings and special events. We offer an Inclement Weather Protection Option to ensure that your event will be protected rain or shine.



VENUE HIGHLIGHTS

- 2 Hours (additional hours and/or early setup options available)
- 100 person occupancy

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Outdoor chapel area (chapel patio and surrounding stream side)
- Setup, tear down and cleanup
- Tram transportation for guests between chapel patio and parking area
- Limited food and beverage options for 30 or less guests.
- Onsite event manager





CANYON GRILL RESTAURANT

Available for receptions after 6PM.

Our **Canyon Grill Restaurant** features hand-hewn exposed beams and a large wood-burning fireplace with floor-to-ceiling windows framing a spectacular view of Indian Cliff Falls. For a seamless flow from ceremony to cocktail hour and reception, combine with the Canyon Grill Patio for a fully cohesive event space featuring the backdrop of the park's largest 150-foot waterfall.

VENUE HIGHLIGHTS

- 2 Hours (additional hours available)
- 30 to 100 person occupancy

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Restaurant interior (patio rented separately)
- Existing hardwood tables and chair. (removal fee applicable if furniture removal is required)
- Setup, tear down and cleanup
- Full-service catering available
- Sunday to Friday: \$3500 food & beverage minimum
- Saturday: \$5000 food & beverage minimum
- Onsite event manager



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Located adjacent to the restaurant, the **Canyon Grill Patio** can comfortably seat up to 120 people in an outdoor setting overlooking one of the park's most spectacular views. The sight and sounds of Indian Cliff Falls crashing from 150 feet above, combined with the intricate stonework of the Mill House creates an unsurpassed romantic ambiance.

VENUE HIGHLIGHTS

- 2 Hours (additional hours and/or early setup options available)
- 30 to 100 person occupancy

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Outdoor patio
- Existing square and rectangular tables with chairs
- Setup, teardown and clean up
- Full-service catering available
- Sunday to Friday: \$3500 food & beverage minimum
- Saturday: \$5000 food & beverage minimum
- Onsite event manager





CUSTOM OUTDOOR VENUE

Standing ceremonies for 12 or less guests offered from 10AM to 2PM with conclusion no later than 3PM.



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For a one-of-a-kind destination wedding, **Dogwood Canyon Nature Park** offers unforgettable wilderness venues unlike anywhere else. Let your perfect day unfold against the backdrop of our crystal-clear streams, cascading waterfalls, handcrafted bridges, stables and meadows.

Surrounded by more than 10,000 acres of pristine wilderness, there are numerous settings throughout the park that can accommodate celebrations of any size. Choose from one of several awe-inspiring locations, from lush outdoor venues like Thunder Falls and Emerald Pool to our Hope Wilderness Chapel tucked amongst dozens of native flowering Dogwood trees. Our specialists will assist you in selecting a venue that suits your individual tastes and comfortably accommodates the size of your wedding. Dogwood Canyon Nature Park is also delighted to host your Rehearsal Dinner, Farewell Brunch and any other special events related to the big day. Wedding and reception venue tours can be arranged.

Dogwood Canyon offers limitless customizations to make your day unforgettable. With its stunning natural beauty and long-standing tradition of genuine Ozarks hospitality, there is perhaps no more perfect place to say “I do” than Dogwood Canyon Nature Park. Our experienced staff is eager to assist as you design the Ozark Mountain wedding of your dreams today.



CHUCKWAGON PAVILION



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Nestled in the heart of the canyon, **Chuckwagon Pavilion** was hand-crafted using the surrounding elements to create a feeling of rustic elegance. It features a large streamside covered pavilion and grassy lawn that makes the perfect setting for your celebration. This venue easily accommodates groups both large and small, so whether you're hosting an intimate gathering or large reception, Chuckwagon Pavilion offers a secluded venue tucked into the great outdoors.

VENUE HIGHLIGHTS

- 2 Hours
- 80 person pavilion occupancy with additional lawn seating available

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Chuckwagon pavilion, lawn and surrounding streamside
- Existing octagonal cedar picnic tables (furniture removal fee applicable if required)
- Stage for performing artists, speakers or guests of honor
- Setup, teardown and cleanup
- Tram transportation for guests between chuckwagon pavilion and parking area
- Convenient guest restrooms
- Buffet and standard bar services available (food & beverage minimums apply)
- Onsite event manager



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SITE VISITS

Site visits are available by appointment during regular business hours Monday through Friday. Dogwood Canyon Nature Park is a unique destination comprised of over 10,000 acres of wilderness, trails, and waterways. In order to choose the perfect setting for your ceremony and reception, we highly suggest joining our staff on a guided tour to better understand the layout of the park and which venues are best able to bring your vision to life. This is also the perfect opportunity to learn about the additional activities and customizations we offer to make your event stand out from the rest.

MENU TASTINGS

The menu tasting is an important aspect of planning a reception or large event - and one of the most enjoyable parts of the planning process. To make sure you have chosen the best food for your wedding, you need to taste it from the hors d'oeuvres down to the desserts.

We suggest scheduling your menu tasting at least three (3) months prior to your event to allow plenty of time for any adjustments or changes to the final menu. Menu tastings are available Tuesday through Friday at 10 AM and 3 PM, unless special arrangements are made. Please schedule at least three (3) weeks in advance to ensure availability for your desired date and time. Menu tastings are priced per person and will include 21% service charge and state sales tax.

CEREMONY REHEARSAL

Scheduled for the day prior or day of the event based on availability. One-hour venue rental with 20 person maximum.



ELOPEMENT PACKAGE

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ELOPEMENT PACKAGE

As couples look for more unique ways to tie the knot, many are attracted to the elegant simplicity of Dogwood Canyon's elopements. Our elopement package is just right for the couple wanting a private, intimate and meaningful wedding ceremony surrounded by the unspoiled beauty of a nature lover's paradise. Whether it's just the two of you or up to twelve guests, Dogwood Canyon is the perfect place to begin your new life together.

ELOPEMENT PACKAGE AMENITIES

- Your choice of ceremony site: Hope Wilderness Chapel or standing-only ceremony at Thunder Falls, Great Spirit Rock or Little Indian Stables for 12 or less guests.
- Park admission for celebratory couple during operating hours
- One-hour reservation of your event site from arrival to departure, available from 10am until 2pm
- Shuttle transportation between ceremony site and parking area
- Up to 12 guests (park admission and food and beverage services priced separately)
- One hour Pictures in the Park package is available and must conclude before 3PM.



PROPOSAL PACKAGE

Proposal package offered from 10AM to 2PM with conclusion no later than 3PM.



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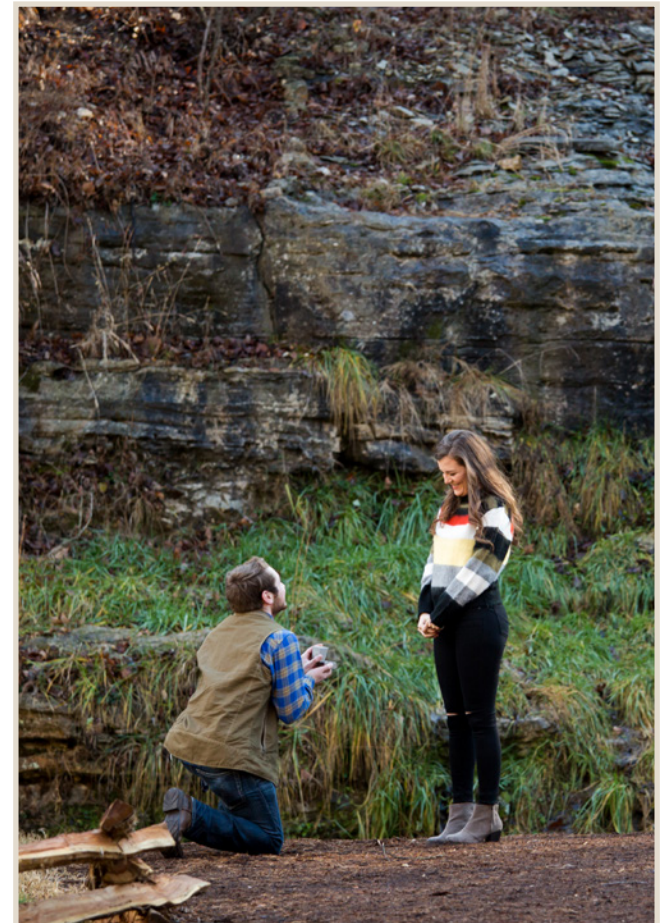
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PROPOSAL PACKAGE

Looking for the perfect romantic proposal location? Dogwood Canyon Nature Park is the perfect place to make unforgettable memories surrounded by miles of crystal-clear streams, cascading waterfalls, forest and meadows. Our Dogwood Canyon proposal package will help you capture the moment with celebration plans for just the two of you or up to twenty-four guests with our À la carte Activities and food and beverage services.

PROPOSAL PACKAGE AMENITIES

- Your choice of surprise proposal site
- Park admission for celebratory couple during operating hours
- Up to 12 guests (park admission and food and beverage services priced separately)





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PICTURES IN THE PARK

Two-Hour Session

Pictures in The Park is a private two-hour escorted session with your photographer to capture your life-changing moments using the Canyon's beautiful waterfalls, streams, trees and rock formations to showcase your wedding day.

The Glory Hole is the furthest photo location within the canyon that falls within the one-hour timeframe, so we suggest beginning at the Glory Hole and taking advantage of the numerous photo opportunities as you traverse the streams back to the ceremony location.

- Two-hour escorted session including travel time with photographer, celebratory couple and park escort
- Suggested photo opportunities include the Glory Hole, Great Spirit Rock Shelter, Thunder Falls and Lone Pine Crossing (Amish Bridge)
- It is recommended to schedule your Pictures in the Park package prior to your ceremony to avoid long waits for your guests. Scheduling a cocktail hour for your guests will assist in clearing the ceremony location to meet your venue time limitations and gives your guests a place to gather while awaiting your grand entrance from the photography session
- All vendors including photographer must be escorted in and out of the park (vendors are not permitted to drive through the park without an escort)



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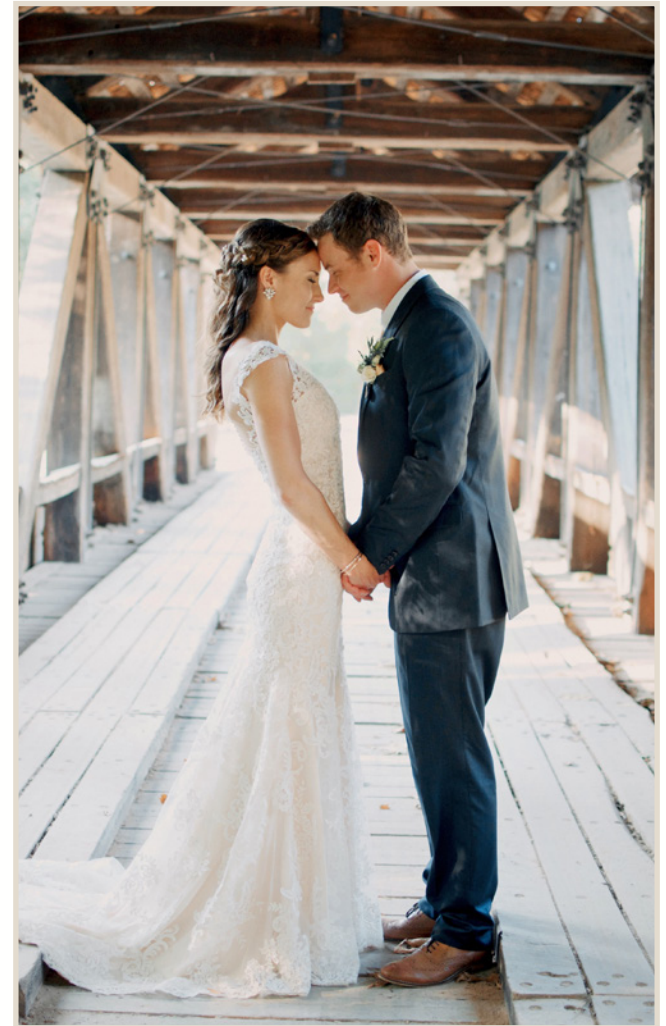
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FIRST LOOK PACKAGE

30-Minute Session

The **First Look Package** is a modern tradition involving a one-on-one private photo session between the celebratory couple on their wedding day where they see each other for the first time prior to the ceremony. The escorted 30-minute session with your photographer will capture your gorgeous wedding dress, the new tuxedo, and the “twinkle” in your partner’s eyes during this intimate, private photo session using the picturesque backdrop of ceremony location and surrounding area within the Canyon.

- 30-minute escorted session including travel time with photographer, celebratory couple and park escort at ceremony location and immediate surrounding area
- Must be completed 30 minutes before ceremony for privacy
- All vendors including photographer must be escorted in and out of the park (vendors are not permitted to drive through the park without an escort)



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THIRD PARTY VENDORS

Third party or outside vendors services, such as Officiants, Florists, Transportation, Cake Vendors, DJs, Entertainment, Photographers, Salons, Photo Booths and other on-property activities are welcome but require prior approval by the DCNP special events manager. Please note that the hours assigned to your event include all set-up and all clean-up, including the set-up and clean-up of all subcontractors that you may utilize. Your special events manager will furnish an approved vendor list upon request.

EVENING TO-GO TREATS

As your event comes to an end, treat your departing guests with warm breakfast burritos or a sweet treat after dancing the night away.

CUSTOM MENU ITEMS

Our executive chef has developed unique hors d'oeuvres platters, specialty wedding cakes and cupcakes, traditional chocolate-covered strawberries and more to make your event unforgettable.



ACTIVITY ADD-ONS



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WILDLIFE TRAM TOUR

Step aboard our comfortable, open-air trams and explore the beauty of Dogwood Canyon on our informative 2-hour narrated Wildlife Tram Tour. You will wind through the canyon floor, past towering bluffs and waterfalls, and make stops at the 1800's-style Hope Wilderness Wedding Chapel, Thunder Falls Crossing to feed the fish, and Glory Hole (a magnificent blue-green pool where some of our largest trout reside). Then, cross the Arkansas border and enter the Bison-Elk Country pasture where you'll encounter some of the largest residents of Dogwood Canyon, American bison, elk, whitetail deer and Texas longhorn. Your Dogwood destination wedding can include our TRAM SHOP DINE packages including park admission, private tram tour (minimum 25 people) and lunch under our lovely pavilion allowing your guests to enjoy a full day of canyon fun.

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FISHING

One of Dogwood Canyon's greatest assets is the sparkling, spring-fed water that is home to our magnificent rainbow trout. Enjoy hourly self-guided catch and release or catch and keep fishing. From the novice to the more experienced, there's nothing like the thrill of hooking a rainbow trout. No license or trout stamp is required. Tackle and rental rods are available.

Our unique guided fishign adventure offers instruction based on experience level. You'll learn fly casting and tying, plus all the inside tricks for catching rainbow trout throughout the canyon.





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HORSEBACK RIDING/STABLES

Horseback riding at Dogwood Canyon Nature Park allows you to explore the Ozarks through the eyes of early settlers, discovering areas of the park not seen by the tram or from walking and biking trails.

Located right along Little Indian Creek, Little Indian Stables has 24 stalls and gives guests the chance to meet the horses before setting out on their horseback adventure.

Experienced wranglers guide guests on a leisurely ride while exploring ridges, hollows, old logging roads and other scenic views.



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BIKING

You can bring your own bike or rent a single-speed, coaster-brake bike in a variety of sizes including kiddie carts. The path is paved and gently sloping and is shared by walkers and trams.



SEGWAY TOURS

Modern innovation comes to the wilderness! After a brief training session, you'll see the park in style as technology and the wilderness meet. Along the 90-minute guided tour you'll learn the history of the park and experience the adventure of traveling via Segway through Dogwood Canyon's most breathtaking sites. On this round trip tour, you'll even make a stop to feed the beautiful rainbow trout at the Glory Hole, a magnificent blue-green pool where some of our largest trout reside.







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