



Empire Mine State Historic Park
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Dear Prospective Couple,

Empire Mine State Historic Park grounds are available for weddings, by reservation, from May through the first weekend in October, on Friday, Saturday, and Sundays. Due to the high demand for our facility, wedding date reservations are made via a lottery system in advance of the following year's wedding season. Priority bookings for high demand Saturdays are given to those requesting a Ceremony with Reception. Please fill a lottery form, selecting up to three dates, and submit by 4:00pm on August 15. Dates are drawn beginning Aug 22nd and couples will be contacted within a week to confirm one of their preferred dates, if available, or discuss alternate dates.

Special Events take place after Park closing time of 5:00pm. *Wedding ceremony* start time will be no earlier than 5:30pm. The historic grounds are available for your ceremony for four hours. All activities are outdoors with no guarantee as to weather. Maximum group size is 200 guests. The fee for a ceremony only, without reception, is **\$1,000**. This will include staff set-up and take-down of white chairs. Wedding parties may bring in musicians, florists, and other wedding enhancements by arrangement.

A changing facility is available for the wedding party. Photographs can be taken prior to your wedding, as early as 3:00 pm, or after the service. Parking is available in the main parking lot, and guests will access the wedding site by walking through the grounds on paved and graveled pathways. Park staff provides a motorized shuttle for elderly, disabled, or other guests needing assistance to the event site.

Receptions are hosted at the Clubhouse patio for an additional **\$2,150**. Park Aides and/or State Park Rangers are scheduled to monitor your event. White chairs, round tables and outdoor portable restrooms are provided. Use of the kitchen facilities, within the Clubhouse, is permitted by a licensed catering company. *The wedding party is responsible for hiring a professional caterer from a preferred list to serve, set-up and clean after the event.* Set-up may begin at 3:00pm. All event activities must end at 10:30 pm. Cleanup is scheduled from 10:30 pm to midnight. Special Events serving alcohol will be charged an additional fee of **\$350**. Beer and wine only are allowed to be served on the premises.

Please phone to check availability of your preferred date and for additional details. You may tentatively reserve a date for 30 days. After that time, we ask that you make an appointment with the Special Events Coordinator to sign your permit and submit a non-refundable deposit that will hold your date as confirmed. Fee for reserving only a Ceremony will be \$250.00 and \$500.00 for Ceremony & Reception. Deposit Fees are Non-Refundable.

Thank you,
The Special Event Staff
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