



Empire Mine State Historic Park– 2021 Wedding Program

Dear Prospective Couple,

Due to the State's ongoing response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, Empire Mine SHP at this time can only allow small elopement ceremonies. No receptions, food or beverages will be allowed. Empire Mine is classified as a State Historic Park. The fundamental goal of a Historic Park is the preservation of resources of historic value. Therefore, to retain historical authenticity and provide for the safety, comfort and enjoyment of all visitors, small elopement ceremonies have been approved for 10 persons or less during business hours with certain terms and conditions. It is important for visitors to continue to practice physical distancing, mask wearing and avoid congregating with people outside their immediate household.

Please review all attachments prior to making your wedding decision.

Elopedments \$300.00

2 hours and maximum of up to 10 persons, including children (excludes infants under 12 months of age).

Fee includes a \$150.00 non-refundable reservation deposit (deducted from \$300). Time frame permits wedding photography. Chairs available for Permittee to set-up and takedown as needed. Simple weddings only with no rentals and minimal props or decor. No access to indoor changing area. All activities are outdoors on the Bourn Cottage lawn with no guarantee as to weather. 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. No shuttle is provided. No alcohol is allowed. Security/damage deposit \$500.00. Special Event Insurance is required.

Morning elopement Set-up to begin no sooner than 10:00AM, ceremony to begin no later than 11:00 AM. and end no later than 11:30PM. All props, chairs, décor, etc. must be removed by 12:00 PM. All guests must be out of the park at 12:00 PM. May-October.

Afternoon elopement Set-up to begin no sooner than 3:00 PM, ceremony to begin no later than 4:00 PM. and end no later than 4:30 PM. All props, chairs, décor, etc. must be removed by 4:45 PM. All guests must be out of the park at 5:00 PM. May –October. Failure to leave by 5:00 PM may result in forfeiture of security/damage deposit.

Reservations

Elopement ceremonies are scheduled on a first come, first serve basis Friday, Saturday, Sunday ONLY, May 1st through the first weekend in October.

- Ceremonies are not permitted on some major holiday weekends or when in conflict with the Empire Mine SHP special events. Events can be cancelled due to park closures due to COVID, Fires or other extreme circumstances.
- Wedding Reservations are accepted up to 1 year in advance.
- Applicant(s) must first complete **all** the required forms and pay fees. Special Event Insurance is required.

Contact Special Event Staff, Ranger Michele Green office 530-272-0124 or cell 530-523-3117 or by email Michele.Green@parks.ca.gov for more information. Please phone to check availability of your preferred date and for additional details. Thank you.