

Weddings at Zoo Knoxville

The following areas of our zoo are available for rental any day of the week. Rental times begin one hour after the zoo closes to the public and last until midnight:

The fee listed by each reception venue includes the following:

your choice of ceremony space in the zoo
security
parking
2 golf carts and drivers
tables & black folding chairs
any color lap length linens
set up & break down
cleaning of the facility
Zoo Knoxville membership for the wedding couple
day-of wedding coordinator

Our top notch onsite caterer, Beastro Catering, will take care of all of your food and beverage needs. We will guide you through planning meetings and a menu tasting to help build your perfect wedding day.

Grasslands Patio - \$6,500

Up to 200 Guests with views of Zebras and a Giraffe, indoor buffet space, raised dance floor, and bistro lighting throughout. You can even have your guests feed the giraffe during cocktail hour.

Event Tent - \$6,000

Features Full ivy wall and garden space, closable walls to heat or cool, seating for up to 300 guests, ideal access to carousel, bistro lighting at entrance, dimmable chandeliers, and wifi access.

Beastro Cafe - \$5,500

Indoor banquet and deck space to seat 60-120. The cafe features built in speakers with AUX hookups, TV for slideshows and videos, convenient access to carousel, and views of white handed gibbons and silver leafed langurs.

Tiger Temple & Courtyard in Tiger Forest - \$5,000

Indoor and Outdoor event space to seat 40-60 guests. This space includes two floor to ceiling glass walls that offer close-up views of two different Malayan Tiger habitats with majestic water features and landscaping. Wifi access and built-in speakers with AUX hookup available. The courtyard has views of Malayan Tigers, White nape cranes and ducks.

***Add a Cocktail Hour - \$500**

Coordinating Your Wedding

Always Included

Venue Tours – A private tour of our multiple ceremony, reception, and cocktail hour spaces to find the perfectly combination to fit your dreams.

Rental Meeting – Visit the All Occasions rental showroom with your coordinator to decide linen colors, build a table scape, plan layouts, talk preliminary timelines, and view all your options.

Timeline Building – Your Wedding Day time is valuable, we'll help you decide how to best budget your time throughout the day.

Tasting – Meet our masterful and creative Chef and taste options to build your custom menu.

Final Meeting – One month before your wedding day, join us for a walk through to confirm all the details of your special occasion.

Rehearsal Coordination – Invite your bridal party and family to a rehearsal so we can guide you through your ceremony.

Ceremony Coordination – We will keep you moving on time and down the aisle in the right order and practice it all at your rehearsal.

Event Oversight - Your coordinator will oversee outside vendors, zoo setup crew, and event team to ensure everything runs smoothly.

Photo Coordination - Coordinating and Driving the Photo Tour for Couple and their photographer.

Cake Cutting Service - Bamboo Plates, Forks, and cutting expertise.

A La Carte Rentals

Miscellaneous Décor – Signs, garland, greenery, candles, vases, galvanized buckets, easels, wood slices, and more! Prices vary.

Custom Centerpieces – check with your coordinator to see if we already own what you are thinking! Prices vary.

Upgraded Table Settings Linens & Chairs – check out all the options during our rental planning meetings. Prices vary.

Carousel Running for the Night \$300 – have the carousel turning all night for your guests to enjoy unlimited rides.

Animal Experiences - Prices Vary – animals can visit or greet your guests, take your bridal party behind the scenes to feed a sloth or giraffe, have an elephant paint you a custom piece with your last name and wedding date!

Custom Menus – Test out your dream wedding meal with our chef to build your menu. Price ranges \$20-\$35 per person plus tax and service.

Appetizers and Signature Cocktails – Let's develop and name your own special cocktail and pair it with some delicious appetizers. General prices range \$2-\$7 per person. Bar Service - As a rule of thumb, alcoholic drinks are generally \$5-\$7 each. You can have guests purchase their own, or provide drink tokens to cap costs, or give a full open bar experience.

Sparkler Exit - Have your guests send you off in style. Sparklers are displayed with a sign and decorative gold vase. \$1 per guest

Private Dinner – \$300 Take time for yourselves on wedding day and enjoy an intimate meal together, when you arrive at your reception – you'll be ready to party!

Call 865-637-5331 x 1416 or email ZKCorporateSales@zooknoxville.org to speak to one of our Wedding and Event Coordinators today for available dates and quotes.

Meet Your Zoo Knoxville Event Coordinators

Suzi Hall has been a part of Zoo Knoxville since 2015. She has combined both her passion for animals and conservation with her love for producing magical events with their very own 'Wow!' moment. Her creativity and attention to detail show throughout the planning process with her couples. Suzi's favorite part of each wedding day is, prepping couples to walk down the aisle and coordinating photo shoots around the zoo.

"I am always trying to get the shot they'll display in their home forever." -Suzi



Miranda Long has been a part of Zoo Knoxville since 2018 and found her love for weddings through her experience as a bridal stylist. She has a servant's heart and loves planning custom weddings that incorporate each couple's love story, pieces of their personality, and style throughout their ceremony and reception. She also has an amazing eye for color schemes and layering textures!

Britney Fields has worked with events at Zoo Knoxville since 2016. She has experience in both fine and casual dining. Creating the reception space is where she really shines. While you're getting ready she is making all the magic happen behind the scenes. Her favorite part about weddings is seeing everything come together and knowing you have made someone's dream day come true.



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