

# THE RETREAT

AT BALCONES SPRINGS



## AN INFORMAL RESORT IN THE TEXAS HILL COUNTRY

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# WEDDINGS & EVENTS AT THE RETREAT



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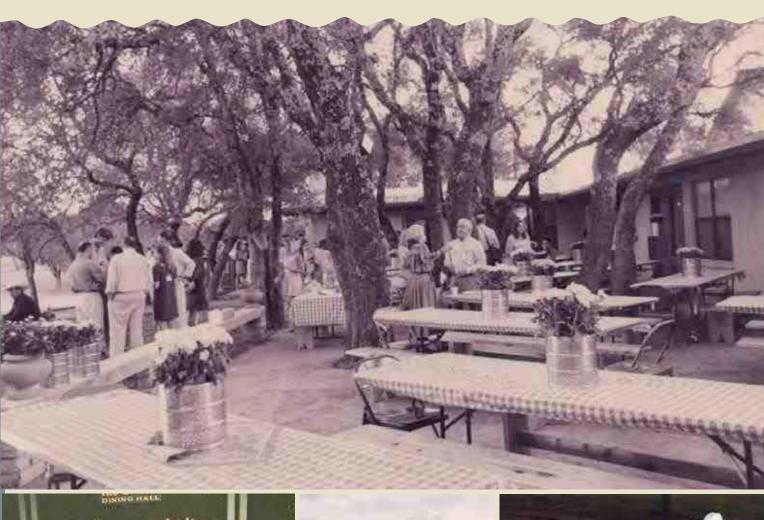
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# RICH IN HISTORY

The Balcones Springs' property was originally owned by ranchers Ted and Elvira Hiney. When owner Christine Baskin purchased the property in 1993, the only things on the property were an old two-story ranch house, a small cinder block building, and Lake Ted, a private 10-acre lake dynamited by Ted when his daughter asked for a swimming pool. Shortly after purchasing the land, Christine and her small but mighty team set about making their mark through design, food, and authentic hospitality. Today Balcones Springs operates year-round as a children's summer camp and wedding & event venue.

Christine wanted a new form of leisure to take place that would allow everyone – no matter your age – to enjoy nature, eat delicious food, have fun, and relax. Christine is a dog lover, food enthusiast, and word class hostess with boundless amounts of energy.







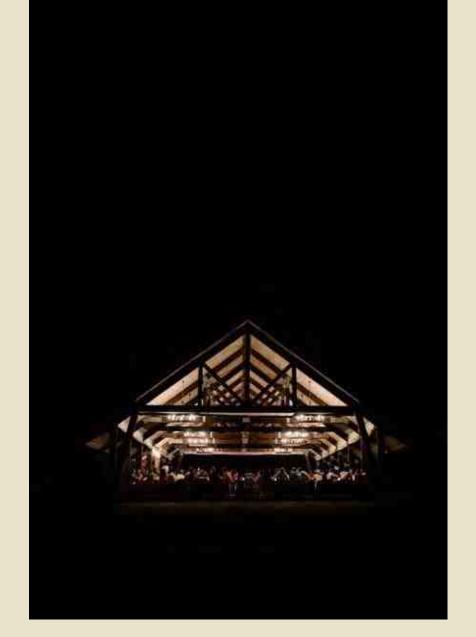




## **PAVILION**

You want an outdoor wedding, but not an outdoor wedding tent. You want to be outside in nature, but also be ready for whatever nature has planned. The pavilion is our largest outdoor covered event space. The tall timber beams and steel chandeliers offer a rustic, grand setting to any event.

The pavilion can accommodate up to 300 guests.









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## PAVILLION MEADOW

The Pavillion Meadow is our newest and most popular venue space at The Retreat for receptions. Situated right next to the Pavilion and the illuminated grand Live Oak tree, the Valley provides an intimate, pastoral setting for a reception. With steps down from the Pavilion, guests can enjoy a tented reception or a strung light structure to dance beneath the stars.

The Pavillion Valley can accommodate up to 300 guests.





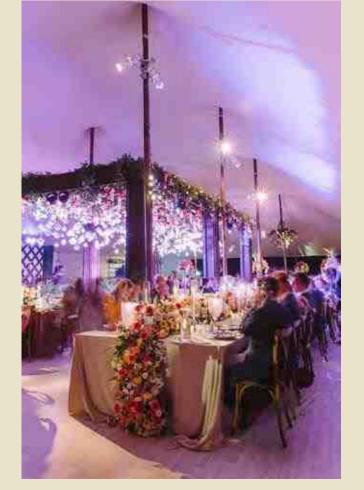






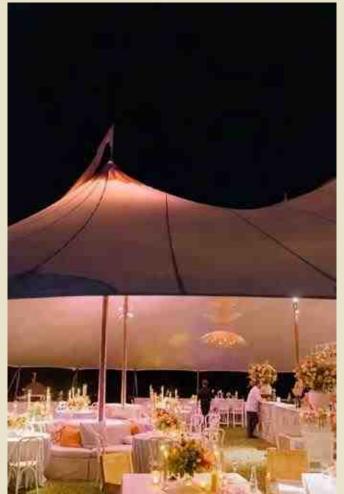
## FIELD

We have the space for large receptions to be held completely outdoors if that is the preference. A beautifully-maintained field complemented by our canopied Oak Tree provides the perfect setting for an all-outdoor celebration at any capacity. The field is next to the Pavillion, so some guests opt to utilize both the pavilion and a rented tent on the field for dinner and reception.







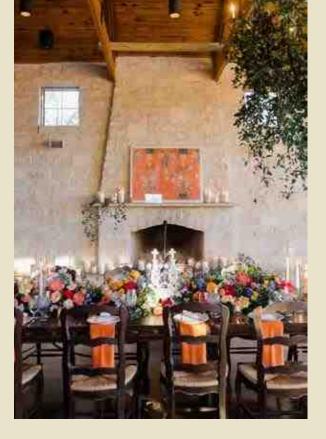




## RIO GRANDE

The center of activity at The Retreat, the climate-controlled Rio Grande Hall is our largest indoor event space. With almost 3,200 square footage of customizable space, soaring ceilings, original post and beam construction, the Rio is a popular choice for larger parties. The connected Rio Deck hosts stunning sunset views, the perfect setting for a nightcap or toasting s'mores fireside! Many of our clients choose to use this space for indoor dining and others prefer to use the space for post-dinner dancing, lounging, and partying.

The Rio Grande has a capacity of 250-300 depending on layout.













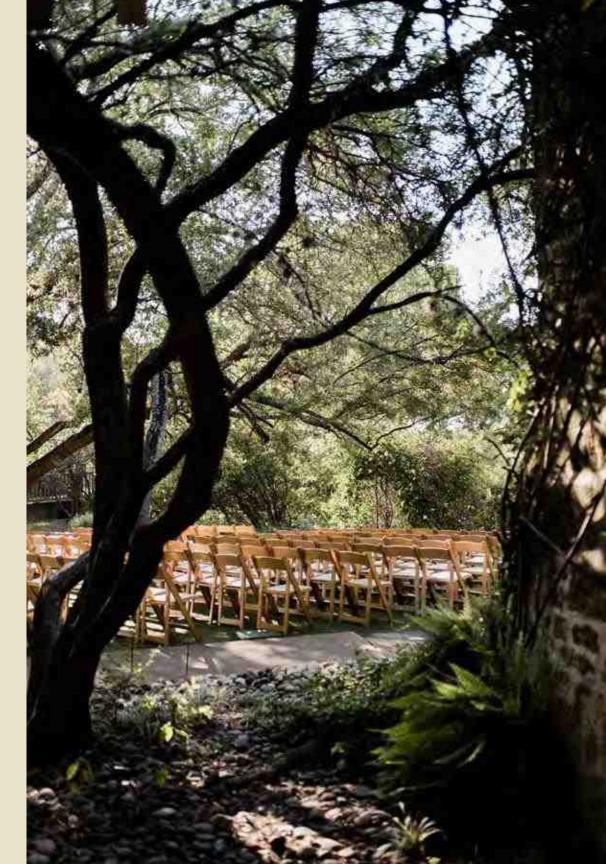
## ROSE GARDEN

Enjoy cocktails or dining al fresco in the shade of lovely oak trees, surrounded by our working herb and flower gardens. The Rose Garden is an intimate space for your outdoor ceremony or cocktail hour and a popular choice for parties of all sizes.

The Rose Garden can accommodate up to 200x guests.









## THICKET

The Thicket, a craftsman-style ranch house overlooking Lake Ted, was the only original building on the property upon purchase of the land. Situated about six minutes by foot to the front of the property, the Thicket is a center of activity and boasts a beautiful view overlooking our private spring-fed lake. While the Thicket has several structures around it - a treehouse and a crafts shed, to name a few - that could be utilized for events or small concerts, the space is most popular for rehearsal dinners in the outdoor area overlooking the lake.

Thicket can accommodate groups of 200x or less.













## **AMPITHEATER**

With Lake Ted as a backdrop, it's no surprise that The Amphitheater is one of our most popular ceremony sites. Guests enter The Amphitheater by walking down a tree-lined pathway and stoned steps to amphitheater-style tiered benches facing an altar overlooking Lake Ted. The Oak trees canopy the benches and alter, creating an intimate, natural setting for guests to tie the knot.

The Amphitheater can accommodate groups of 400 or less.











## LONGHORN ROOM

Cozy in size but huge in character, the Longhorn Room is the perfect setting for your intimate dinner or small meeting. Tall ceilings accentuate the stone fireplace and wrought iron chandelier. This room can be used for intimate welcome party dinners or even as a spot for wedding parties to get ready.

The Longhorn Room can accommodate groups of 40 or less.











## **CABINS**

Sturdy, cozy, and authentic, our 42' cabins contain a world of whimsy and elegance. Named after Texas heroes and lovingly decorated by our owner Christine, no one cabin is the same and each possesses a distinct character through unique artifacts and furnishings from her travels to Mexico in the 90s. The cabins are full of the camp-y delights you would hope for with a glamping experience: yellow pine interiors, cozy quilts, cotton percale sheets, individual temperature controls, an en-suite bathroom, and magnificent views of the hill country.

Our cabins can accommodate one to four guests per cabin, set with either twin-sized beds, a king-size bed, or a combination of the two. For weddings/corporate events, we can accommodate between 145-160 guests on property depending on how many beds we put in each cabin.







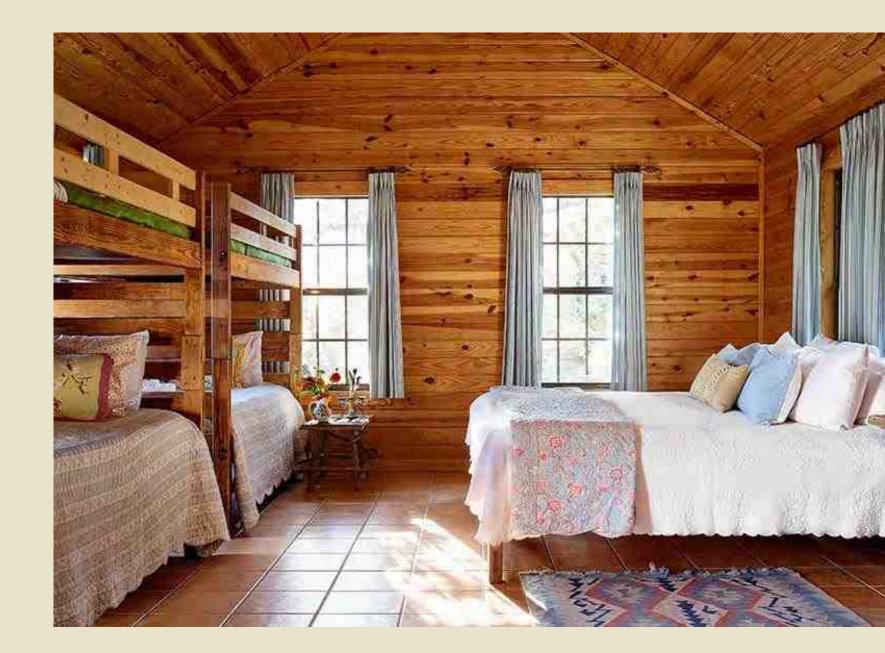




## **BUNGALOWS**

Our bungalows can accommodate up to 6x people with two sets of bunk beds and a king bed that can be split into twins. Some bungalows have two bathrooms, and generally are larger accommodation optionsbest for families or friend groups.





# BIG THICKET (HONEYMOON SUITE)

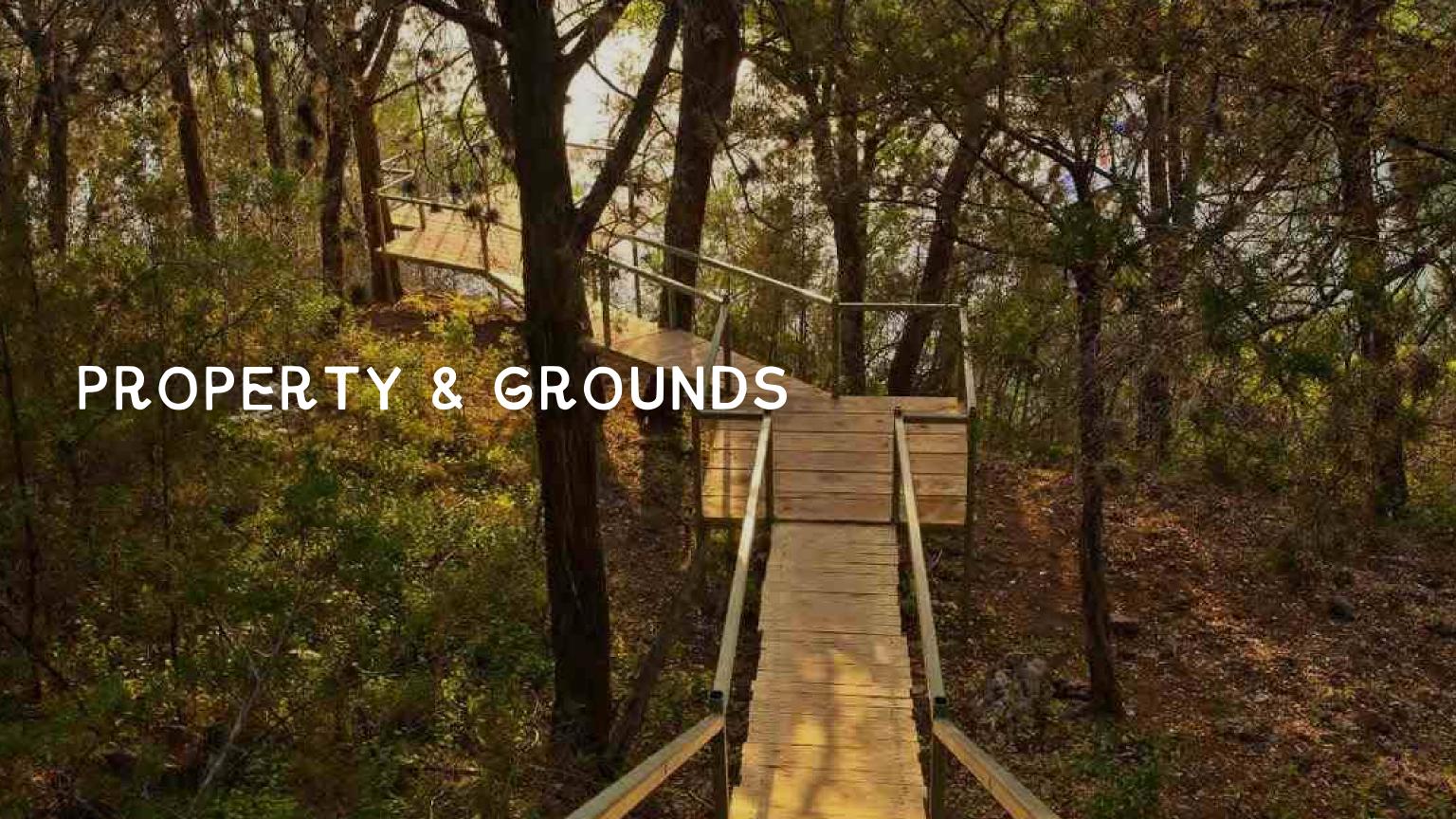
Also known as our "Honeymoon Suite,"
The Big Thicket feels like a dreamy, lux treehouse. The highlight of the suite is the veranda overlooking Lake Ted, along with a spacious living area, a kitchenette, and washer/dryer. This cabin is ideal for Brides/Grooms and VIP guests.











## PROPERTY & GROUNDS

Lake Ted, a private 6-acre spring-fed lake, is our main attraction and favorite daytime hang-out spot. The lake is complete with a variety of blow up toys and slides where guests can really tap into their camp-y side.









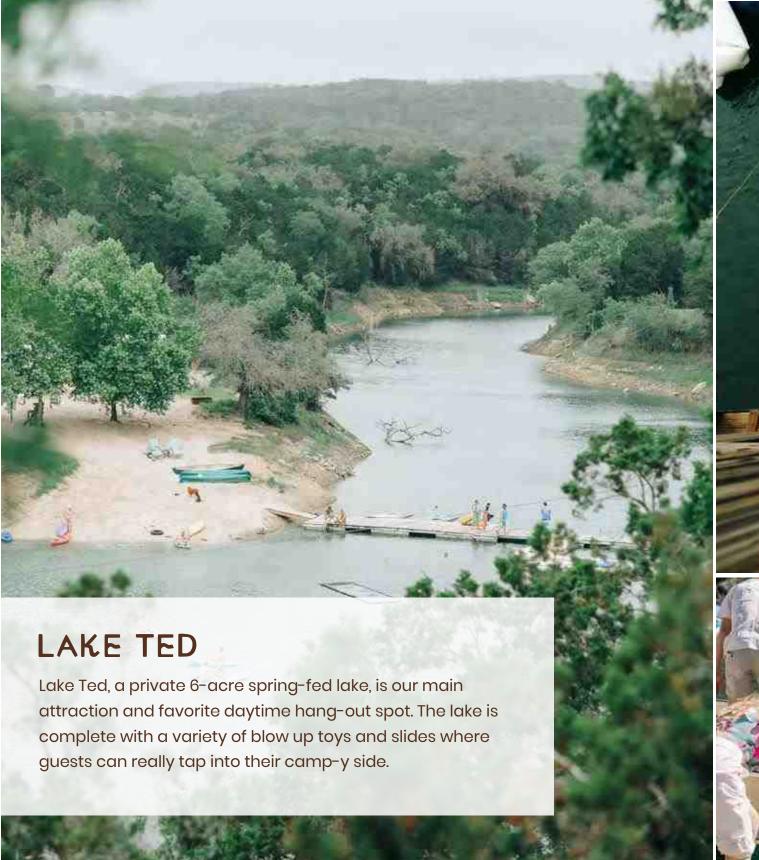




























## **ACTIVITIES**

Guests have access to all The Retreat has to offer, including the use of the lake, hiking and biking trails, bonfire pits, and sports courts. With outdoor activities like The Blob, skeet shooting, and guided yoga classes, we have everything needed for a memorable and refreshing getaway. Non-facilitated activities that don't require staff assistance, like tennis or basketball, are open for use without advance booking. Facilitated activities that do require staff assistance, like horseback riding, require advanced booking and come at an additional fee.

Browse the full activity list here.













The Retreat offers couples the added benefit of a stress-free big day: our wedding team creates personalized itineraries that include activities and full-service/onsite dining and imbibing experiences so guests are kept happy and entertained for the weekend. Our in house wedding coordinator will work with you to create your timeline, diagrams for the weekend and menu selection, along with organizing your vendors arrival and departure times. Our caring, professional, and talented event staff execute all the weekend's festivities inclusive of activities, the rehearsal dinner, the ceremony, the reception, and all meals.

The Retreat provides full use of all on-site facilities and grounds during the day of your event. This includes the use of all furniture, lighting, and integrated audio systems. Customize your event to your vision and budget with our list of preferred vendors or through personal selections.



## ORGANIZED EVENTS

### SITE FEE INCLUDES

- Full weekend access to grounds & unfacilitated activities (see here)
- Venue site for ceremony, cocktail hour, & reception
- Bride & Groom Quarters to get ready before the ceremony
- Rental Items Included for up to 100 guests:
  - Round, Rectangular, and Farm Style tables available, natural wood folding chairs, dark wood high-backed chairs, and benches available.
  - China plates & glassware for rehearsal and reception
  - · Polished silver for rehearsal and reception
  - Casual dining ware for breakfast & lunch
- Coordination of wedding by on-site coordinator during rehearsal, ceremony & reception
- Setup and breakdown of all spaces, meals, and activities throughout the weekend by Event Management staff
- Complimentary tasting event with our Executive Chef for up to 6 guests total.
- Honeymoon suite for the Bride & Groom's stay with a one night complimentary stay
- Use of property for bridal and engagement photos prior to wedding
- Unlimited use of 24/7 Fitness Center, sports courts, canoes, kayaks, hiking & biking trails, fishing, wi-fi, and lounge areas

## WEDDING WEEKEND ADD ON OPTIONS

### PRICING LISTED HERE

Facilitated activities (<u>full list here</u>) ranging from \$100-\$250 per hour

Cabin Rentals for guests

Transportation

Floor length linens

Cross Removal

Frozen margarita machine

FireWorks Display or Sparklers

Bartenders & Wait Staff for each event

Full Bar Service

Extra Rentals (Chair, Glassware, Silver, etc)

Bonfires/Fire Pits

Additional Decor (vases, runners, etc)

To Go Meals

Transfer meals to special locations (i.e. beach, soccer field, etc)





## Starting Weekend Rental (inclusive of Site Fee, Food, Beverage, Services, & Add Ons): \$43,000 Site Fee: \$\$11,800

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# WE LOOK FORWARD TO TALKING WITH YOU FURTHER ABOUT YOUR EVENT.

## YOU MAY VIEW MORE OF OUR GALLERIES HERE:

THE GROUNDS
PREVIOUS WEDDINGS