

Wedding Ceremonies & Receptions

You're celebrating a love that is unparalleled. You deserve a setting as unique as you are. From lush tropical surroundings to the beauty of the Sonoran Desert, the Phoenix Zoo offers several distinctive venues, making your dream wedding a reality.

Wedding Ceremonies

Ceremony packages start at \$1,700 and include:

- 30-minute ceremony.
- Up to 100 white garden chairs.
- 30-minute ceremony rehearsal.
- Event Facilitator on site throughout entire event.

Add Ons

- Additional ceremony chairs \$10 each plus delivery charges.
- PA system rental for ceremony can be added for \$200.
- White Lattice Wedding Arch \$175.00 plus delivery charges.
- White Carpet Runner (4'x30') \$230 plus delivery charges.

Suggested Sites

- Ruby's House
- Lakeside
- Phoenix Bakery
- Savanna
- Enchanted Terrace
- Doornbos Desert Grove

Wedding Receptions

Pricing varies by venue - please see rate sheet

Rental includes:

- 4-hour venue rental.
Event may be extended for an additional hourly fee.
- Table and chair setup.
See venue description for included furniture
**specialty seating will require additional rentals.*
- Event Facilitator on site throughout entire event.

Suggested Sites

- C.W. & Modene Neely Education and Event Center
- Stone House Pavilion
- Desert Tents
- Doornbos Desert Grove
- Ruby's House
- Phoenix Bakery



Rate Sheet

Venue	Available	Rate
Neely Center	Daytime*	\$1,300
	Evening	\$3,900
Stone House Pavilion	Daytime*	\$1,200
	Evening	\$3,800
Lakeside	Daytime*	\$1,000
	Evening	\$3,000
Desert Tents	Daytime*	\$950
	Evening	\$2,300
Ruby's House	Daytime*	\$850
	Evening	\$1,200
Phoenix Bakery	Daytime*	\$900
	Evening	\$1,300
Doornbos Desert Grove	Daytime*	\$850
	Evening	\$1,600
Orang-Hutan: "People of the Forest"	Evening Only	\$1,900
Forest of Uco	Evening Only	\$2,000
Enchanted Terrace	Ceremony Only	\$1,700
Savanna	Evening Ceremony Only	\$1,700

Weddings

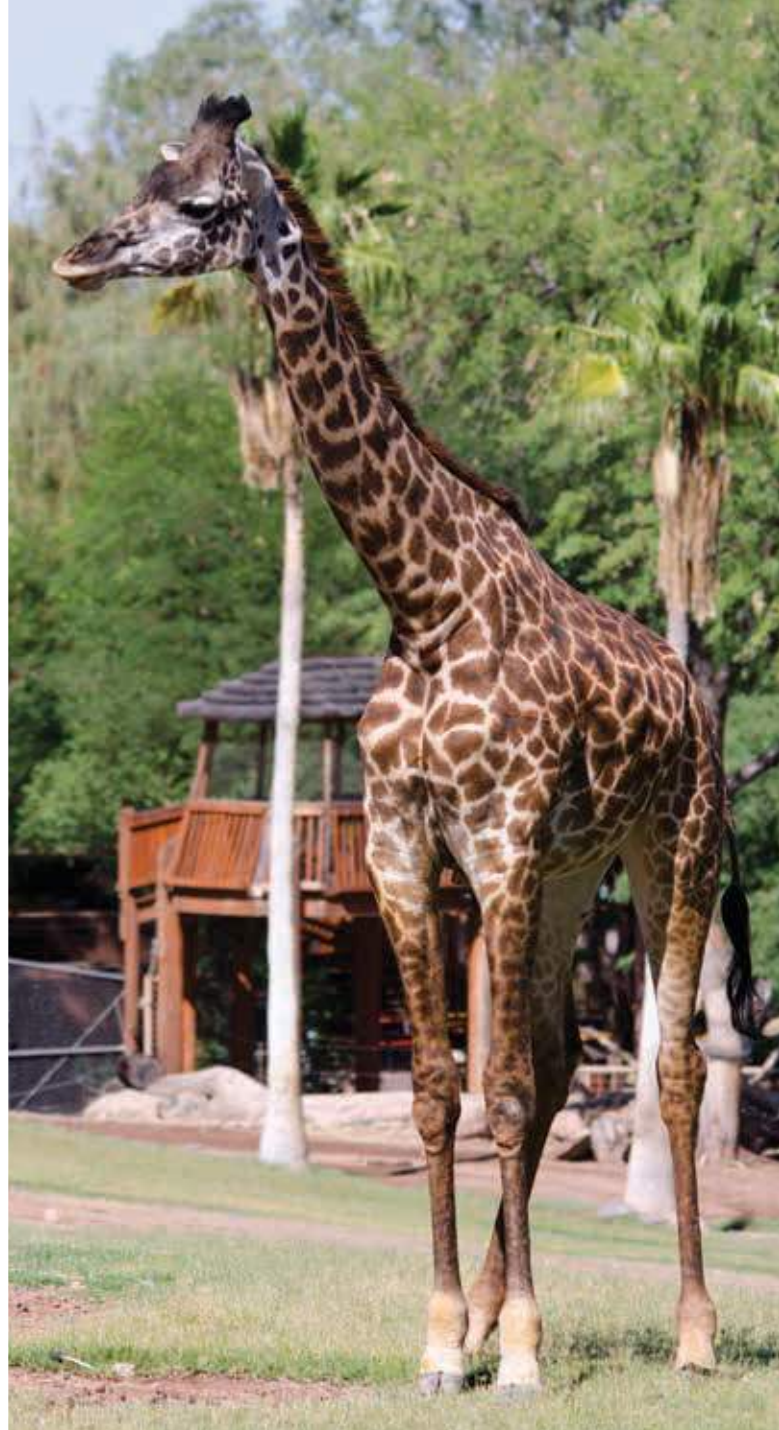
Wedding Ceremonies	Starting At	\$1,700
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Discounted Daytime Event Admission:

Adult (ages 14 and up) \$22

Child (ages 3-13) \$17

Children 2 And under are free



- 6% Operations Fee added to all Event invoices (excludes admission and bar service charges).
- Evening rentals must end by 11 p.m.
- Catering must be provided through the Zoo's preferred catering list.
- In-house bar service available (see beverage service menu).
- Each venue includes standard seating arrangements.

*Daytime admission required for all daytime events.

Prices are subject to change without notice.

C.W. & Modene Neely Education and Event Center

Located hilltop adjacent to the Zoo's Tropics Trail, this versatile indoor, climate controlled, facility provides a unique and modern setting for weddings. The beautiful outdoor patio, overlooking the main lake and Gibbon Island, is included for evening rentals. Basic in-house audio visual system available for use in this facility.

**Comes with changing area*

Capacity

- Reception set for up to 240.
and/or
- Ceremony set for up to 240 on patio or inside
(seating for 100 included in ceremony package).
- Specialty seating requires additional rentals.



Stone House Pavilion

Stone House Pavilion is an upscale indoor meeting and banquet facility that features an outdoor covered terrace. This popular venue is an excellent setting for wedding receptions. Basic in-house audio visual system available for use in this facility.

Capacity

- Reception set for up to 250.
and/or
- Ceremony set for up to 100 on patio / 300 inside
(seating for 100 included in ceremony package).
- Specialty seating requires additional rentals.





Lakeside

Located in the center of the Zoo, this venue provides a peaceful view of the main lake. Under the canopy tent or on the lakeside lawn is a great location for a wedding ceremony, reception or both. Evening rentals include basic lighting package.

Capacity

- Picnic style reception set for up to 300 under tent.
and/or
- Ceremony set for up to 500 on lawn
(seating for 100 included in ceremony package).
- Specialty seating requires additional rentals.



Desert Tents

This desert oasis is a Bedouin-style campsite nestled at the base of the Bighorn Buttes, including five permanent tent structures surrounding an open event space and central fire pit. Desert Tents is a unique escape, day or night. Evening rentals include guest transportation to and from venue and basic lighting package.

Capacity

- Reception set for up to 120.
or
- Ceremony set for up to 100.
- Specialty seating requires additional rentals.

Ruby's House

Built in 1935, Ruby's House is a charming piece of Zoo history, dedicated to Ruby, the Zoo's famous painting elephant. This quaint, garden cottage boasts spectacular sunset views and is ideal for wedding ceremonies, smaller receptions and other intimate events. Evening rentals include basic lighting package.

**Comes with changing area*

Capacity

- Reception set for up to 60.
and/or
- Ceremony set for up to 80
(stone benches used for majority of seating).
- Specialty seating requires additional rentals.



Phoenix Bakery

Host your event at the Phoenix Bakery and take a step back in time. Once located in downtown Phoenix, the original bakery has been reconstructed and authentically decorated to provide guests with a historically-themed venue option. Nestled between the collared peccary and coyote exhibits, this one-of-a-kind venue offers guests an indoor/outdoor experience featuring a lighted courtyard and unparalleled ambiance.

**Animal viewing is not guaranteed*

Capacity

- Reception set for up to 80 utilizing indoor and outdoor spaces.
or
- Ceremony set for up to 100 on front patio.
- Specialty seating requires additional rentals.



Display cabinets, windows and shelving must remain as they are, items may not be rearranged or relocated.



Doornbos Desert Grove

Surround yourself with the beauty of the Sonoran Desert at Doornbos Desert Grove, the Phoenix Zoo's charmingly reimagined event space. Nestled within the Arizona Trail, this private venue offers a stunning backdrop of native Arizona vegetation and exclusive views of the Zoo's newest exhibit, Big Cats of Arizona. Whether you're hosting a daytime gathering or an elegant evening affair, this unique setting provides a truly unforgettable experience. Evening rentals include basic lighting package.

**Animal viewing is not guaranteed*

Capacity

- Reception set for up to 100.
or
- Ceremony set for up to 100.
- Specialty seating requires additional rentals.



Orang-Hutan: "People of the Forest"

This indoor climate controlled room and lush outdoor courtyard are set in the center of the Zoo's, Orang-Hutan: "People of the Forest." This unique location is unmatched by any other venue in the Valley. Sorry, no daytime rentals available. Evening rentals may not start prior to 6 p.m.

**Animal viewing is not guaranteed*

Capacity

- Reception set for up to 70.
or
- Ceremony set for up to 100.
- Specialty seating requires additional rentals.

Forest of Uco

Fiesta in the cobblestone street under special Portofino lighting for a true south-of-the-border feel. Evening rentals include guest transportation to and from venue and basic lighting package. Sorry, no daytime rentals available.

**Evening events may not start prior to 6 p.m.*

Capacity

- Reception set for up to 120.
- Specialty seating requires additional rentals.



Enchanted Terrace

Unique and distinctive, located across from the Pavilion, the Enchanted Terrace recently went through a massive upgrade and features new pavers and flagstone. Additionally, brand-new overhead lighting makes this venue perfect for evening and nighttime use!

Capacity

- Accommodates 100 ceremony at stone benches.
- Specialty seating requires additional rentals.



Savanna

Treat your guests to sweeping views of the Zoo's African Savanna exhibit. Evening rentals include basic lighting package. Sorry, no daytime rentals available.

**Animal viewing is not guaranteed, evening events may not start prior to 6 p.m.*

Capacity

- Ceremony set for up to 100.
- Specialty seating requires additional rentals.



Bar Services

Selection	Hosted Bar <i>(by consumption)</i>	No-Host Bar
Domestic Beer	\$6	\$6
Craft Beer	\$7	\$8
Hard Cider and Seltzer	\$7	\$8
House Liquors*	\$7	\$8
Call Liquors*	\$8	\$9
House Wines*	\$8	\$9
Canned Water	\$3	\$3
Assorted Soda	\$3	\$3
Sparkling Wine	\$32 per bottle	
Sparkling Cider	\$17 per bottle	

* Premium wines and liquors are available upon request. (Case pricing applies) Prices are subject to change without notice.

Set-up Fee

\$300 per bar set-up. This includes the bar set-up and bartender. (Recommendation: One bar per every 100 people)

Service Fee

22 percent will be applied to all final bar balances.

Bar Minimum Guarantee

A \$16 deposit per person must be paid in advance.

Hosted Bar

- Deposit will be applied to final balance.
- If a hosted bar exceeds the deposit, the client will be billed for the additional balance due.

No-Host Bar

- If a No-Host Bar exceeds the deposit, the deposit will be applied to the total event balance or refunded.
- If sales do not reach the deposit, the Zoo will keep the difference.

Additional Information

Phoenix Zoo is a cashless property. Bar sales must be completed with credit or debit cards. No tabs will be allowed, guests must pay per transaction. Serving ware - Plasticware will be provided for all bars. Glassware can be rented through caterer (pending Zoo approval) if client desires.

Bar Policy

The Phoenix Zoo operates under a State 6 Liquor License. ALL alcohol must be provided by the Zoo. **No alcohol may be brought into the Zoo by clients or guests.** Any alcohol brought into the Zoo by clients or guests will be confiscated. Failure to adhere to this policy could result in expulsion from grounds with no refund.



Arizona Center for Nature Conservation Preferred Catering List

Events at the Arizona Center for Nature Conservation (ACNC) - which includes the Phoenix Zoo - are professionally serviced by a list of preferred caterers who specialize in quality, customer service and onsite catering. In order to make catering arrangements for your event, please contact the following caterers directly.



The Phoenix Zoo's On-site Culinary Partner

Lancer Catering

455 North Galvin Parkway | Phoenix, AZ 85008

Contact: Tony Kitmitto | Catering Sales Manager

602.286.3800 ext. 7529 | lancerhospitality.com/venue/phoenix-zoo

phsales@lancercatering.com

Lancer isn't just a preferred catering vendor, we're the official onsite culinary partner of the Phoenix Zoo. With a fully equipped kitchen right on the property and a dedicated team that knows every corner of the Zoo, we deliver seamless, chef-driven catering for any occasion. From elegant weddings to corporate galas and casual picnics, we work side-by-side with the Zoo team to bring your event vision to life, handling tastings, site visits, setup and day-of support with ease and expertise.

With 30+ years of experience and thousands of events under our belt, we bring unmatched hospitality, customized menus and flawless service, right where you need us.

We're not just at the Zoo. We're part of it.





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Andrew's Catering

730 East Guadalupe Road | Tempe, AZ 85283

Contact: Jodi Deason | 480.491.7115

andrewsbbq.com | jodi@andrewcaters.com

Andrew's Catering offers the most versatile and exciting catering service in Phoenix with an emphasis on delicious food along with great service and affordability. The unique ability to cook on-site provides food fresh from the grill to the table. Whether it be small, intimate events, large outdoor picnics or anything in between, let our party planners help you select from our trademark smoked BBQ, traditional hand carved meats, creative sides, innovative appetizers and delicious desserts. Andrew's has been named Top 10 BBQ in the Valley by AZ Republic as well as Valley BBQ and Best East Valley BBQ by Phoenix Magazine. Andrew's is the perfect partner for the perfect event.

Atlasta Catering Service

10021 North 19th Avenue | Phoenix, AZ 85021

Contact: Sales | 602.242.8185

atlastacatering.com | cuisine@atlastacatering.com

Atlasta cares about creating a food experience that fosters connection. We take our job seriously and never lose sight of the profound honor of serving you and your guests. Our hospitality philosophy touches all aspects of the guest experience, beginning when you first contact us. Every step of the way, our dedicated professionals provide exceptional and uncommon personalized service. Simply put, we deliver hospitality, restaurant-quality food and sustainability. We've transcended what catering was and have redefined what it can be.



Arizona Center for Nature Conservation Preferred Catering List

Creations in Cuisine Catering

1825 West Crest Lane | Phoenix, AZ 85027

Contact: Frank Vara & Tony Rea | 602.485.9924

creationsincuisinecatering.com | info@creationsincuisine.com

Known for our commitment to quality and the freshest ingredients, our name speaks for itself. Over the past 29 years, Creations in Cuisine Catering has established a highly-respected reputation for excellent food and outstanding event services in Arizona. Creations in Cuisine Catering provides full-service catering throughout the entire state for special events of all sizes. We specialize in weddings and social and corporate catering, offering pre-selected and custom menu creations. Combine that with our unsurpassed customer service, innovative event design and flawless execution - we promise Creations in Cuisine Catering will make your special event one to be remembered! Imagine the possibilities...

Fabulous Food Fine Catering and Events

120 South 26th Street | Phoenix, AZ 85034

Contact: Chantal Hause | 602.267.1818

fabulousfood.net | info@fabulousfoodaz.com.

Fabulous Food Fine Catering and Events has been serving the Valley with hand crafted artisan cuisine since 1996. Renowned for crafting events that are uniquely tailored to each client, Fabulous Food goes beyond traditional catering by offering fully-customized experiences designed to reflect your individual style and vision. From intimate gatherings to large-scale celebrations, our expert team provides versatile catering options to suit any occasion. With a passion for hospitality and a flair for the extraordinary, Fabulous Food makes every event unforgettable, because creating the perfect party isn't just what we do, it's who we are.



Activities and Experiences

Animal Encounters

- Get up close to some of the Zoo's animal ambassadors.
- One hour at your event with two animals and one instructor for a casual meet and greet experience.

Lakeside Carousel

- Take a ride on your favorite Zoo animals.
- Per-person entry available for daytime events.
- Private hourly rentals for before or after hour events.

Stingray Bay

- Interactive touch tank exhibit.
- Per-person entry available for daytime events.
- No after hour availability.



Decoration Guidelines

Our Policy: Due to the sensitive nature of our organization and for the safety of our animals and guests, all decorations must be approved prior to your event. The Phoenix Zoo prohibits the use of items listed below. If for any reason you have questions regarding your decorations or the use of any items listed below, please contact your sales representative for clarification.

The following items are prohibited:

- Balloons.
- Any candles with an exposed flame and dripping wax. Other candles may be used, but they must be in a container that rises above the flame and collects melted wax (*battery powered candles are preferred*).
- Paper lanterns intended to be released (*they may be used as stationary décor with battery powered candles*).
- Confetti, glitter, confetti or streamer poppers, silly string, tinsel, fake snow.
- Live animals of any kind.
- Bird seed, rice, fake flower petals (*real flower petals and bubbles are okay*).
- Any kind of sparklers or fireworks.
- Straw or hay (loose or bailed).
- Fog machines.
- Weapons of any kind.
- Any kind of color-dyed liquids (*this may stain linens or flooring if spilled*).

Decor may not be hung or attached to/from walls, windows, ceilings, lighting, vegetation or other structures. The use of nails, screws, hooks, adhesive or tape is strictly prohibited.



Decoration Guidelines



Event clients must appoint a day-of coordinator for their event. This person will be responsible for all décor set-up/tear-down at event locations. Event staff will be on grounds to supervise décor installation and enforce the rules in place.

Client will have access to the event venue two hours prior to event start time for set-up and decoration.

Client will have one hour after the event for tear-down/clean-up of décor items. All decorations must be removed and taken off grounds by a member of the party at the end of the event. The Phoenix Zoo will not be able to store items before or after your event time.



Admission of outside vendors needing access to Zoo grounds for event set-up and décor must be arranged 14 days prior to your event with your designated sales representative. All contracted workers on grounds must be insured. All vehicles on grounds must be licensed and insured. Zoo event staff must escort in and out all vehicles.

