

## **Welcome to Freedom Run Winery**

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# **Frequently Asked Questions:**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN CELEBRATING YOUR SPECIAL DAY AT FREEDOM RUN WINERY, WHERE EVERY WEDDING IS A UNIQUE. YOU HAVE COME TO THE RIGHT PLACE IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A ONE OF A KIND EXPERIENCE AT A BOUTIQUE WINERY WITH RUSTIC ELEGANCE AND AWARD WINNING WINE.

## WHERE ARE YOU LOCATED?

A FREEDOM RUN WINERY IS LOCATED ON THE BENCH OF THE NIAGARA ESCARPMENT WITH ALMOST 100 ACRES OF BEAUTIFUL VINEYARD LANDSCAPES, SEASONAL CROPS AND A 1000 TREE APPLE ORCHARD. WE ARE JUST 30 MINUTES FROM BUFFALO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, THE CANADIAN BORDER, AND THE HONEYMOON CAPITAL OF THE WORLD...NIAGARA FALLS!

## O HOW MANY VENUES DO YOU OFFER?

- A WE BOAST AN ELEGANT TASTING ROOM WITH A FLOATING MAPLE CEILING, STONE ACCENTED WALLS AND BAMBOO FLOORING. ARTIST AND WINERY OWNER 'SEAN' MANNING, COLLABORATED WITH RENOWNED GLASS ARTIST, CHUCK BOUX, TO HAND BLOW THE COLORFUL GLASS DISKS WHICH FRONT A PAIR OF GRANITE-TOPPED BARS. THERE IS ALSO A COVERED PATIO OVERLOOKING THE VINEYARDS WITH BISTRO STYLE TABLES AND CHAIRS WITH A FIRE PIT AND OUTDOOR GAMES IF DESIRED.
- \* THE BARREL & PRODUCTION ROOM IS VISIBLE FROM THE TASTING ROOM THROUGH A FLOOR-TO-CEILING, WALL-TO-WALL PANEL OF GLASS, WITH GLASS DOORS LEADING INTO THIS DOUBLE HEIGHT SPACE LINED WITH STAINLESS STEEL TANKS, OAK BARRELS THAT CAN BE BACKLIT, A WINE-THEMED PAINTED FLOOR AND ORIGINAL ART. COMBINED WITH THE TASTING ROOM THIS OPTION IS PERFECT FOR A UNIQUE VINEYARD EXPERIENCE.
- WE ARE KNOWN FOR OUR RUSTIC BARN WHICH IS AN ORIGINAL TIMBER FRAMED POST-AND-BEAM DRY GOODS BARN, BUILT IN 1826 WITH STONE FROM THE ERIE CANAL. THIS STRUCTURE HAS BEEN PRESERVED, YET MODERNIZED WITH LADIES AND GENTS BATHROOMS, A LARGE DECK, AND IS HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE. THERE IS EVEN A RAISED STAGE WITH A CHANDELIER TO SEE AND BE SEEN. THIS IS A PERFECT VENUE FOR A WEDDING CEREMONY WITH DINNER AND DANCING WITH THE BARN DOORS SWUNG WIDE OPEN.
- \* FOR THAT HOLLYWOOD TOUCH JUST ADD A TENT TO ONE OF THE ABOVE VENUES TO GIVE YOUR SPECIAL DAY THAT EXTRA ELEGANCE!

## O HOW MANY PEOPLE CAN YOU ACCOMMODATE?

- A TOGETHER WITH A TENT, FREEDOM RUN WINERY CAN ACCOMMODATE ANY SIZE WEDDING.
- \* MANY COUPLES ADD A TENT TO EITHER VENUE FOR THE DINNER AND USE THE TASTING ROOM AND/OR BARREL ROOM OR THE BARN FOR DANCING.
- + FREEDOM RUN WINERY WILL WORK WITH YOU TO COME UP WITH A PLAN THAT SUITS YOUR BUDGET NO MATTER HOW SMALL OR BIG. THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS FOR YOU TO HAVE YOUR DREAM WEDDING.

## Q IS THERE A PLACE ON THE GROUNDS FOR A WEDDING CEREMONY AND WHAT IS THE FEE?

- A WE HAVE A PLETHORA OF LOCATIONS OVERLOOKING THE VINEYARDS AND IN OUR 1000 TREE APPLE ORCHARD FOR AN OPEN AIR CEREMONY, THAT CAN BE SET UP WITH WHITE PADDED CHAIRS. THE BARN IS ALSO A FAVORITE!
- \* THERE IS A CEREMONY FEE OF \$500.00 WHICH INCLUDES THE SET UP AND BREAKDOWN OF WHITE PADDED FOLDING CHAIRS.

## **Q** WHAT TIME WILL I HAVE ACCESS TO THE VENUE AND HOW LATE CAN WE STAY?

A YOU WILL HAVE ACCESS FROM LATE AFTERNOON THE DAY PRIOR TO YOUR SPECIAL DAY SO THAT YOU CAN ADD YOUR PERSONAL TOUCHES TO YOUR CHOSEN VENUE AND TO HAVE YOUR REHEARSAL. YOU WILL HAVE ACCESS TO YOUR VENUE FROM 4 PM ON THE DAY OF YOUR EVENT, AND YOUR MUSIC AND BAR MUST END BY 11 PM DUE TO TOWN ORDINANCE. THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF YOUR RECEPTION WILL DEPEND ON IF YOU ADD ON AN EXTRA HOUR UP UNTIL 11 PM AT \$5.00 PER PERSON, PER HOUR, BASED ON ORIGINAL GUEST COUNT ALTHOUGH THAT IS NOT THE NORM.

#### **CAN YOU HOLD A DATE FOR ME?**

A WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO HOLD A DATE FOR YOU. A \$1000 NON-REFUNDABLE & NON-TRANSFERABLE DEPOSIT WILL HOLD YOUR DATE FOR 30 DAYS UNTIL YOUR CONTRACT IS SIGNED AND RETURNED TO FREEDOM RUN WINERY AND WHICH WILL BECOME BINDING ONCE ACCEPTED AND SIGNED BY FRW MANAGEMENT.

#### **Q** WHAT IS A TYPICAL PACKAGE PRICE AND TIMELINE?

- A OUR FOUR HOUR VENUE/BAR PACKAGE STARTS FROM \$57.00 PP TO \$66.00 PP DEPENDING ON THE BAR PACKAGE AND DAY OF THE WEEK. SATURDAYS ARE PEAK BETWEEN JUNE AND NOVEMBER.
- \* IF YOU WANT TO KEEP IT SMALL AND TIGHT, WE HAVE A SPECIAL MICRO WEDDING PACKAGE WHICH GIVES YOU THREE HOURS IN OUR BARREL ROOM BETWEEN 1-5 PM FOR BETWEEN 40 AND 100 GUESTS, DAILY, YEAR ROUND, AS AVAILABLE. THE COST RANGES FROM \$25.00 PP TO \$30.00 PP FOR A TWO HOUR PACKAGE, OR \$37.50 PP TO \$45.00 PP FOR A THREE HOUR PACKAGE. AT AN ADDITIONAL FEE, YOU CAN ALSO ADD ON TIME AFTER BUSINESS HOURS, AND ADD ON A CEREMONY.
- \* TO SAVE MONEY SOME COUPLES HAVE THEIR GUESTS MEET UP IN THE TASTING ROOM FOR A CASH BAR BEFORE THE CEREMONY, AND GO STRAIGHT INTO THE DINNER AFTERWARDS.
- \* WE CAN WORK WITH ANY BUDGET, AND EVEN HAVE A PAYMENT PLAN.
- A TYPICAL TIMELINE FOR A 4 HOUR BAR/VENUE PACKAGE IS:

4:30 PM - 5 PM ~ CEREMONY

5 PM - 6 PM ~ COCKTAIL HOUR

6 PM - 7 PM ~ DINNER (BAR CLOSES FOR DINNER)

7 PM - 10 PM ~ RECEPTION

10 PM - 11 PM ~ YOU COULD ADD THIS LAST HOUR ON AT \$5.00 PP BASED ON ORIGINAL GUEST COUNT.

## **Q** WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE VENUE/BAR PACKAGE?

A YOU WILL HAVE THE CHOICE OF ONE VENUE WITH TABLES AND CHAIRS SET UP IN YOUR DESIRED ARRANGEMENT. WE FIND THAT MOST COUPLES HAVE THEIR OWN IDEAS FOR HOW THEY WANT THEIR WEDDING TO LOOK, AND THAT THEIR NEAREST AND DEAREST ARE INVOLVED IN HELPING THEM WITH THE DECOR. WE LOVE WHEN COUPLES CUSTOMIZE THEIR SPECIAL DAY BY BRINGING IN THEIR PERSONAL TOUCHES AND LETTING THEIR OWN STYLE SHINE THROUGH.

#### O IS A PARTY PLANNER PROVIDED?

WE PROVIDE ALL THE STAFF TO ENSURE THAT ALL YOUR QUESTIONS REGARDING VENUE AND BAR ARE DEALT WITH FROM THE TIME YOU BOOK TO THE COMPLETION OF YOUR EVENT. YOU WILL HAVE A CLEAN VENUE, SET UP WITH TABLES AND CHAIRS AS PER YOUR SPECIFICATION, AND A FULL BAR BASED ON YOUR PACKAGE SELECTION. IT IS REQUIRED THAT YOU HAVE AT LEAST A 'DAY OF' EVENT CO-ORDINATOR TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYTHING ELSE GOES ACCORDING TO YOUR PLANS. WE DO HAVE A LIST OF PROFESSIONALS ON OUR PREFERRED VENDOR PAGE THAT HAVE GOOD REPUTATIONS, ALTHOUGH WE TAKE NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEIR PERFORMANCE.

### **ADDITTIONAL INFORMATION**

- \* A TENT WILL NEED TO BE ADDED FOR ANY EVENT OVER 100 GUESTS, WHICH IS AT THE ARRANGEMENT AND EXPENSE OF THE COUPLE.
- \* WE DO NOT PROVIDE CATERING WHICH ALLOWS YOU TO HAVE YOUR DESIRED MENU AND STAY WITHIN A BUDGET, OR GO BIG!
- + IF YOU DECIDE ON HAVING A CEREMONY ON THE GROUNDS OF FREEDOM RUN WINERY, THERE IS A CEREMONY FEE OF \$500.00 WHICH INCLUDES THE SET UP AND BREAKDOWN OF UP TO 200 WHITE PADDED FOLDING CHAIRS.
- \* MANY COUPLES HAVE THEIR OWN IDEA OF COLORS AND STYLES OF TABLE DECOR, SO WE DO NOT INCLUDED LINENS.
- \* GLASSWARE IS INCLUDED AT THE BAR IN THE BARREL ROOM.
- \* AS THERE IS NO KITCHEN IN THE BARN, QUALITY CLEAR PLASTIC CUPS ARE USED AT THE BAR IN THE BARN. GLASSWARE CAN BE RENTED BY THE COUPLE IF DESIRED.
- \* THERE ARE ADD-ONS THAT YOU CAN DECIDE ON IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE SPACE, SUCH AS ADDING A SECOND VENUE, OR STAYING FOR EXTRA TIME.
- \* TAKE A LOOK AT THE WEDDINGS & EVENTS PAGE ON OUR WEBSITE TO SEE PHOTOS AND VIDEOS OF REAL WEDDINGS AS WELL AS A 360° VIEW OF ALL OUR VENUES AND PROPERTY.
- \* WITH SEVEN DAYS A WEEK TO CHOOSE FROM, WE ARE NOT QUITE SURE WHY SATURDAY REMAINS THE MOST POPULAR DAY TO GET MARRIED. WE ARE OPEN EVERY DAY SO IF YOU CHOOSE ANY OTHER DAY BESIDES SATURDAY, WE HAVE DISCOUNTED THE PRICE FOR YOU!