



a magical experience

FOR YOUR WEDDING DAY

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Ahavah Cottage is a new luxurious event venue located just an hour south of Minneapolis. Ahavah Cottage boasts peaceful wooded surroundings, insightful planning, and a newly updated space.

PROVIDED COURTESIES

Multiple ceremony locations
Ample parking
Restrooms onsite
Tables & chairs provided
Wedding suites

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2022 WEDDING PACKAGES STARTING AT

Friday _____ \$4,997
Saturday _____ \$5,997
Sunday _____ \$3,497

2023 WEDDING PACKAGES STARTING AT

Friday _____ \$5,997
Saturday _____ \$6,997
Sunday _____ \$3,497

OFF SEASON PRICES NOVEMBER-APRIL 2023 (EXCEPT HOLIDAY WEEKENDS)

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



HOW LONG DO I HAVE THE EVENT COORDINATOR FOR ON THE DAY OF MY EVENT?

Staff from the facility will be at the venue to assist you and your guests throughout the entirety of your facility rental. Your Coordinator will be present starting from a few hours prior to your ceremony and will stay until the main parts of your reception are complete (cocktail hour, introductions, cake cutting, first dances, food service).



CAN I OR MY VENDORS COME BACK AT A LATER TIME TO PICK UP DECORATIONS?

All decor and belongings are expected to be removed from the premises by the contracted time on the night of the facility rental. We kindly ask that you inform all vendors of your contracted times prior to the day of your event.



WHAT ARE YOUR DECORATING POLICIES?

We want all clients to feel that they have plenty of room for creativity when it comes to designing their decor. We welcome real candles, accompanied by a tray or vase to catch any melting wax. We also ask that you not nail, tape, or tack anything to the walls. Fog machines, silly string, helium balloons and chocolate fountains are not permitted anywhere inside the facility. Anything thrown outdoors must be biodegradable (i.e. no fake floral petals).

Note: The use of birdseed and blowing bubbles is permitted only outside for wedding and reception farewells. Rice, confetti, flower petals, balloons, glitter, silly string, pyrotechnics, and sparklers are not permitted inside or outside the facility.



DO YOU REQUIRE SECURITY OR WEDDING INSURANCE?

Ahavah Cottage does not require any outside security for events. If clients would like security at their event, it must be provided through Ahavah Cottage, and will be done so for an additional cost. Wedding insurance is not required for Ahavah Cottage as we carry our own building and liquor liability insurance.



WHAT IF MY GUESTS DON'T CONSUME ALL OF THE ALCOHOL I PAID TO HOST?

Ahavah Cottage's policies regarding alcohol come primarily from the rules attached to our liquor license. If you have untapped or partial kegs, they are required to stay on our premises and we cannot refund any money for portions not consumed. With bottles of wine, clients do get to take with them any corked bottles still remaining. Should there be money towards an open bar that is not utilized, Ahavah Cottage will cut a check for the remaining amount and send it to the post-event address of the client within 14 days.



NONE OF YOUR AVAILABLE TIMES WORK WITH MY SCHEDULE. CAN I MEET WITH YOU IN THE EVENING OR ON THE WEEKENDS?

Because Ahavah Cottage is booked every weekend for events, and in an effort to give Ahavah Cottage's staff time with family, we are unable to meet on the weekends. Meetings and tours are done during business hours Monday through Friday by appointment only. Available times may fluctuate due to our event schedule, which varies from week to week.



WHEN ARE EACH OF MY PAYMENTS DUE?

The first payment due by clients is the deposit, which covers half of the facility rental and is required at the time of booking. The remainder of the facility rental is due six months prior to the event date, or at the time of booking if it is within six months. Ahavah Cottage will send invoices reflecting these amounts prior to the due date. Payment plans are also an option for any client at Ahavah Cottage - just ask us about your options and we are happy to work with you!



DO I HAVE TO PUT DOWN A DEPOSIT TO HOLD A DATE?

Because many dates throughout the year are in high demand, with several potential clients all interested in the same dates, we do require a deposit and signed contract to hold a date and do not have an option for a "soft hold". Once you contact us regarding booking a date, we will block the date off in our calendar and you will have a hold on the date for up to 24 hours. If after 24 hours we have not received a signed contract and notification of initiated payment, the date will be released as available to all other potential clients.





CAN I GET INTO THE FACILITY EARLY TO START DECORATING/GETTING READY?

Unfortunately, clients and/or their vendors are not allowed into the facility any earlier than your facility rental time. Our staff utilizes all time leading up to the event rental time to properly set up and prep the facility to meet the high expectations to which we hold Ahavah Cottage.



HOW LONG DO WE HAVE ACCESS TO THE BRIDAL SUITE AND GROOM'S ROOM?

For brides and grooms having their ceremony at Ahavah Cottage, their accompanying wedding parties will have access to the bridal suite and groom's room from the start of your contracted time until the start of the ceremony, at which time access to both rooms will be locked off and all personal belongings should be removed.



DO I HAVE ACCESS TO REFRIGERATION DURING MY FACILITY RENTAL?

Unfortunately, we do not have refrigeration space due to the size and volume of catering done by our kitchen. If you would like to bring in outside food or beverage during the day while getting ready for your ceremony you are more than welcome to bring in coolers for storage of these items. We do ask that the coolers be taken to a car before the start of the ceremony.



DO YOU HAVE A LIST OF VENDORS I AM REQUIRED TO CHOOSE FROM?

No – We've decided that an exclusive partnership did not allow our brides, grooms and families to maximize their budget and options fully. We have a trusted vendor list that allows flexibility for your catering and budgeting needs and should you have a catering vendor of your choice we are happy to work with you to ensure our property is a full fit for them.





WHEN WILL MY REHEARSAL BE?

Our rehearsals are always on Thursday afternoons. If your wedding is on a Friday, your ceremony rehearsal will be at 3:00 pm on Thursday the week of your event. If your wedding is on a Saturday, your ceremony rehearsal will be at 4:00 pm on Thursday the week of your event. If your wedding is on a Sunday, your ceremony rehearsal will be at 5:00 pm on Thursday the week of your event. Otherwise, clients may choose to do a walkthrough on the day of their event. Clients are more than welcome to have an off-site rehearsal, although a coordinator from Ahavah Cottage will not be present.



CAN I BRING IN MY OWN SNACKS OR APPETIZERS?

Clients can bring in their own non-perishable snacks for the bridal party before the ceremony. Things like popcorn, Chex mix, candy, etc. you are welcome to bring yourself. You will want to bring large serving bowls and serving utensils for them. Ahavah Cottage is happy to provide small 9 oz. clear cups for your wedding party to fill. Any appetizers that are perishable (cheese trays, fruit trays, veggie trays, etc.) must be provided by a licensed and insured caterer. Options to bring in pizza during the dance will be discussed and left up to the discretion of Ahavah Cottage.



CAN I CUSTOMIZE THE ALCOHOL AND BEVERAGES SERVICE?

We understand that beverage choices differ from client to client and event to event. That is why Ahavah Drops is completely customizable. We have a variety of options from full host, to full cash, and everything in between. Clients can choose to host kegs, cases of wine, put money down at the bar and dictate what is hosted, or host nothing at all! No worries about whether or not guests will have enough of a selection; everything behind our bar is still offered as a cash option to guests, regardless of what is hosted. Additionally, we offer everything from full bar to mocktails to a coffee bar.

*An individual quote will be provided from Ahavah Drops



DO YOU HAVE A BACKUP CEREMONY LOCATION IN CASE THE WEATHER IS BAD?

In the case of poor weather at the time of a ceremony, the client has the option to choose to move their ceremony into the White Room. This decision is not required until shortly before the ceremony start time. In this scenario, guests are seated at their tables, and an aisle is made down the center of the room. Set up can be customized based on the layout the client has chosen and the decorations intended for the outdoor ceremony.



DO YOU ALLOW PETS?

We understand that pets are like family. We are happy to allow our wedding couple to bring their furry friends. We require your pets to be on leashes unless outside or discussed with Ahavah Cottage (we know for the ceremony a leash may not be ideal). We also require that the wedding couple take full responsibility for their pets, their pets are fully house-trained, and that they clean up after their pets. They will be an additional security deposit of \$250 for pets and will be refunded 15 days after the event if the above rules are followed.

