

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

*Q: What are the challenges of planning an outdoor wedding?*

A: The major challenge is dealing with natural elements such as rain, heat, wind or insects.

*Q: What are the most popular months for an outdoor wedding ceremony and/or reception?*

A: March, April, May, October and November.

*Q: Are the gardens always green?*

A: Springs Preserve gardens always have some shade of green, but the most vibrant months are in late spring and early fall.

*Q: What is the average length of an outdoor ceremony?*

A: Outdoor ceremonies average between fifteen and twenty minutes in duration.

*Q: What should I think about providing guests for my outdoor ceremony?*

A: Springs Preserve recommends providing water, sunscreen, hand-held fans, heaters or umbrellas for guest comfort. Your onsite event coordinator can discuss additional options to make your outdoor wedding ceremony a day to remember.

*Q: Is there an indoor backup space for my ceremony?*

A: Currently Springs Preserve does not offer a backup location for the ceremony. However, it does offer backup spaces for outdoor receptions and cocktail hours.

*Q: Do my guests have access to the facility before the wedding?*

A: Yes, all guests have access to the gardens and trails. However, if you would like them to take advantage of the museums, movies and art galleries, there is a \$5.00 per person charge. This discounted rate is only available through your wedding sales manager.

*Q: Do you offer mid-week discounts for ceremonies?*

A: Springs Preserve currently provides a 15 percent discount on ceremonies that are booked Tuesday through Thursday.

*Q: Can I have my rehearsal dinner at Springs Preserve?*

A: Besides hosting your wedding, we can also provide a unique setting to host rehearsal dinners or wedding showers.



*Q: Can I take my engagement photographs at Springs Preserve?*

A: For couples interested in having engagement photographs taken on property, please verify availability with the wedding sales manager. Please note that additional fees will apply.

*Q: Can I schedule a tour of the facility?*

A: Appointments for site tours are available Thursday through Sunday.

*Q: What time does Springs Preserve close?*

A: Springs Preserve closes to the public at 6:00 pm unless there is a special event scheduled.

*Q: How early can I place a reservation for my wedding ceremony and/or reception?*

A: Springs Preserve accepts reservations for ceremonies and receptions up to twelve months in advance.

*Q: Do you hold more than one wedding per day?*

A: Yes, we can hold multiple weddings during the course of a day.

*Q: Can I bring in an outside caterer?*

A: Wolfgang Puck Catering is Springs Preserve's onsite caterer. We do not allow outside caterers.

*Q: Can I have my ceremony during operational hours?*

A: Yes, but there may be guests walking in the gardens and in other parts of the facility. Springs Preserve will work to minimize any disruptions to the ceremony.

*Q: What are the responsibilities of an onsite wedding coordinator?*

A: The onsite wedding coordinator directs guests to the right place and ensures that deliveries arrive and vendors show up on time. The coordinator also helps arrange the design of the location and is available to answer questions throughout the planning process.

*Q: Do I have to use your preferred vendors?*

A: To ensure that Springs Preserve exceeds your expectations we recommend using our preferred vendors. However, if you choose to use a vendor that is not on our list, they will need approval from the Springs Preserve.



*Q: My guests are from out of town. Do you recommend hiring transportation?*

A: If your guests are staying at a hotel on or off the Strip, Springs Preserve recommends hiring a limousine, party bus or other mode of transportation. This will help keep the guests together and minimize the financial and environmental cost of rental cars and taxi rides.

*Q: What are the average temperatures for Las Vegas?*

A: The average temperatures according to the Las Vegas Convention Authority are:

<b>Month</b>	<b>Avg. Low</b>	<b>Avg. High</b>
January	39	58
February	41	61
March	49	71
April	55	77
May	66	91
June	74	100
July	81	105
August	78	102
September	71	95
October	59	82
November	46	66
December	39	57

*Q: How do I plan a “green” wedding?*

A: Here is a short list of ways that you can incorporate “green” into your special day.

**Rings:**

- Purchase rings made from recycled gold
- Find a green jeweler and ensure that your rings use conflict-free stones
- Wear an heirloom ring



### **Wedding Dresses:**

- Wear a vintage or heirloom gown
- Rent a couture gown
- Purchase a gown from dresses for a cause or at a trunk show
- Look for sustainable materials such as hemp, cotton or silk
- Borrow a dress and accessories
- Buy shoes that you can wear again

### **Invitations:**

- Tree Free or recycled cotton invitations
- Post-consumer or recycled invitations
- Skip the inner envelope and tissue paper
- Use a reply postcard instead of a card and envelope
- E-save the date and wedding invitations

### **Flowers and Non-Flowers:**

- Single stem bouquet
- Wildflowers or seasonal flowers
- Dried or silk arrangements
- Feathers, parasols or fans
- Purchase local or organic flowers or even grow your own

### **Reception Centerpieces:**

- Potted green plants, succulents, cacti or wheatgrass
- Bamboo stalks, branches, driftwood or materials collected from nature
- Potted herbs and terrariums
- Eco-consciously collected seashells
- Recycled glass vases filled with LED tea lights



**Place Cards:**

- All natural handmade soaps denoting seat or table numbers
- Hand painted stones or rocks
- Miniature pumpkins, fruits or nuts
- Wine corks
- Natural embedded seed paper products using soy based inks
- Forgoing place cards

**Wedding Favors:**

- Organic fair traded chocolates wrapped in a paper box
- Organic fair trade coffee
- All natural handmade soaps adorned with personal messages
- Mini palm fans or fair trade chopsticks
- Seed packets or Evergreen Tree tube seedling papers
- Natural embedded seed paper products such as bookmarks and place cards
- Beeswax candle favors
- Heart shaped cookie cutters with something edible such as cookies, biscotti or homemade preserves
- Mini bamboo steamers filled with organic fortune cookies
- A donation to a local charity made easy by [idofoundation.org](http://idofoundation.org)

**Using the World Wide Web:**

- Create a wedding website
- Start a wedding blog or webcast

**Transportation:**

- Rent hybrid vehicles
- Rent a bio-diesel limousine
- Hire a horse and carriage

