

El Monte Sagrado Living Resort and Spa

Wedding FAQs

How many guests can be accommodated for a wedding reception at El Monte Sagrado?

Our beautiful setting provides you a wedding experience like no other. El Monte Sagrado can accommodate an elopement for 2 guests or a lavish event for as many as 200 guests in our breathtaking Rio Grande Ballroom. The Rio Grande Ballroom can accommodate up to (170) guests for buffet or plated dining with dancing in the Foyer. We can also serve smaller groups of up to (75) outdoors in our Sacred Circle under towering cottonwoods and adjacent to waterfalls and ponds. Those looking for a less traditional, and increasingly popular Progressive wedding reception experience can expand their options by increasing capacity of up to (350) guests utilizing our entire Ballroom facility, including meeting rooms and foyer. Ask our Wedding Specialist for more details specific to your individual wedding needs.

I am not familiar with the location of El Monte Sagrado - Where are you located?

El Monte Sagrado is located five blocks east of the Town of Taos plaza on Highway 64. Taos is located 70 miles north of Santa Fe, and 130 miles north of Albuquerque, New Mexico. We sit at the base of the breathtaking Sangre de Cristo Mountains.

Do you offer special pricing for weddings held on days other than Fridays, Saturdays or on Holiday Weekends?

Yes, please inquire about your specific wedding dates and ideas. Special offers are available during certain times of the day, times of the year as well as for weddings held on Sunday through Thursday. We would like to work with you to customize a wedding that best suits your style and budget and look forward to discussing this in more detail.

Do you have a required Food & Beverage Minimum Expenditure?

Food and Beverage minimums vary based upon the time of day and day of the week for your wedding events, as well as which room or venue you are renting. Please contact our Wedding Specialist to discuss specifics of your event.

I have a number of guests traveling to attend my wedding from out-of-town, do you offer special room rates?

El Monte Sagrado is the ideal setting to gather cherished family and friends for a special wedding celebration! We are pleased to offer a discounted room rate to couples wishing to set up a room block of a minimum of (5) rooms or more for two nights for their guests, with varying minimum number of sleeping room requirements per event size; subject to availability, excluding holidays. Contact our Wedding Specialist to discuss your specific dates and to determine availability and rate offers.

Can you recommend wedding service providers such as florists, photographers, ministers, wedding cakes, etc?

Absolutely! The resort creates has assembled a selection of highly regarded and trusted wedding professionals such as photographers, musicians and ministers to enhance your wedding day. Our

Wedding Specialist will share these contacts with you and make recommendations based on your individual wedding style upon going to contract.

Does El Monte Sagrado offer a wedding ceremony location?

Yes - we are able to accommodate a wedding ceremony for up to (75) guests in our beautiful outdoor Sacred Circle, as well as up to 200 on our Rio Grande Ballroom lawn and patio. Indoor venues include the Rio Grande Ballroom, Sandoval Room, Grand Bohemian Gallery and Library. The Sacred Circle and the Taos Mountain Lawn are our beautiful outdoor spaces. It is a setting like no other! Please be aware that these settings are not completely private. In the event of inclement weather, the wedding ceremony would have to be moved indoors, and may be limited to a stand up affair as space is limited. If you do not have an Officiant to perform your wedding ceremony, we offer a list of recommendations of all denominations.

Is there a Church nearby?

Yes – there are a number of beautiful Churches of all denominations located just blocks from the Resort in Taos. Many are in short walking distance from the Resort. You must contact them directly to determine eligibility and availability for your wedding ceremony.

Is Parking available for our guests?

Valet Parking is available to both guests and non-guests of the Resort. Contact your Wedding Specialist for specific pricing on valet services. There is also a municipal parking lot within a three block walk from the Resort.

Do you offer a Professional Wedding Coordinator?

We are delighted to offer an experienced Wedding Specialist, Katie Wannamaker. Although we do not currently offer Wedding planning services, Katie and her team of professional banquet captains and other exceptional staff are on hand through various stages of your wedding event to ensure that no detail is overlooked and that your wedding is a celebration that you and your guests will remember forever.

What is your payment schedule?

We require a series of non-refundable deposits to hold your wedding date which varies based on your food and beverage minimum. The remainder of the balance due is collected one month prior to your wedding event. This payment must be made by cash, cashiers check or credit card. No personal checks are accepted for this payment. All items will be estimated for full prepayment and any refunds will be made following completion of your event.

I am interested in hosting a Rehearsal Dinner - what are my options?

El Monte Sagrado is a perfect setting to gather those closest to you on the eve of your wedding to celebrate. We can host a beautiful and intimate dinner for 8 in our private Wine Room, or a small reception (30) or dinner (16) in our Library, and up to 40 in our Gallery. The meeting rooms can accommodate up to 100 guests, and the Rio Grande

Ballroom up to 250. You may also elect for a party in our beautiful Sacred Circle adjacent to waterfalls and ponds, and with a spectacular view of Taos Mountain! For an intimate outdoor setting, we could create a beautiful setting on our portal (porch) off the Anaconda Bar. Whatever your selection – you and your guests are sure to enjoy the world class cuisine and inviting settings available at El Monte Sagrado. Contact our Wedding Specialist for more specific details.

Do you offer any post-wedding parties or suggestions for activities after the wedding?

Yes, we can host a post-wedding brunch in one of our many venues. We can also offer a fire pit with gourmet s'mores and hot chocolate for a post wedding party – after the reception on the night of the wedding! We can also host other special events such as bridal showers, bridal luncheons, welcome receptions, rehearsal dinners and other events designed to reflect your special style, from casual elegance to formal sophistication in one of our indoor or outdoor venues.

We are looking for a very intimate wedding - just ourselves and a handful of family and friends - can you accommodate us?

Of course - We have created the Sacred Romance Elopement Packages with you in mind! You can add up to 6 additional guests and still book this package for your special day! This package includes the wedding location, two nights in one of our suites, champagne & chocolate covered strawberries, a couples massage at our Living Spa™, a custom rose wedding bouquet and boutonniere, dinner for two, two breakfasts for two, two El Monte Sagrado bathrobes and your officiate! Contact our wedding specialist for details and pricing which varies depending on the room booked! The Sacred Circle is a popular wedding location – a truly unique backdrop for your one-of-a-kind wedding vows!

Can we host a party for the wedding party at your spa?

Yes, our Living Spa is available for wedding parties! With 9 treatment rooms available, we can pamper all of your wedding party! Contact our wedding specialist for details. It is best to schedule this well in advance of the big day as our spa books up quickly!

Do you have a question that we have not addressed here? [Click here](#) to email our professional wedding specialist and we will be in touch shortly!!

Do you offer any activities for the wedding party?

Yes, we can arrange for an array of outdoor activities for the wedding party – or just the brides' party or groom's party! During the late spring and into the summer months we can arrange for white water rafting on the Rio Grande River, fly fishing, hot air ballooning (for which New Mexico is well known!), and bike rides. During any time of the year, we can arrange for nature hikes, private yoga classes, art gallery or history tours including driving the Enchanted Circle.