

WEDDING PACKET



**VENUE
OPTIONS**

TRAILS OF AFRICA



CAPACITY

Ceremony		150
Reception		500
Standing		700

DURATION

RATE

Evening	Up to 200 Guests	\$2,500
Evening	201+ Guests	\$4,000

Daytime rental of this venue is not available.



The Safari Peak overlooks our Trails of Africa habitat, home to our African Elephants. Amenities include audio capabilities, tables and chairs for up to 150 (additional chairs may be added), and beautiful views of the African Elephant Bachelor Herd.

Ask about your options to add Elephant interactions, exclusive to this venue!

HUGH KAUL PLAZA



CAPACITY

Cocktail		650
Reception		400
Standing		800

DURATION

RATE

Evening	After 5:00 pm	\$4,000
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Daytime rental of this venue is not available.



A first impression like no other! This breathtaking space located at the entrance of the Zoo includes beautiful water features, natural landscaping, and panoramic views of the Zoo.

ZOO LODGE



CAPACITY

Boardroom | 15-25
 Reception | 60
 Standing | 150

DURATION

RATE

Inside Half-Day 4-hours	\$1,000	Indoor/Outdoor Half-Day 4-hours	\$1,500	Indoor/Outdoor Evening 8-hours	\$3,500
Inside Full-Day 8-hours	\$2,000	Indoor/Outdoor Full-Day 8-hours	\$3,000		



This historic Zoo Lodge is a renovated rustic stone house nestled in the woods. Amenities include a private suite, a large back patio and backyard, AV capabilities, with indoor and outdoor event opportunities.



WEDDING SUITE OPTIONS

Details:

- Includes Water Service

EBSCO BOARD ROOM



CAPACITY

Boardroom | 18
Cocktail | 40

DURATION

Half-Day 4-hours \$475
Full-Day 8-hours \$1,000
Evening After 5:00 pm \$1,250

RATE



Intimate meeting space with breathtaking views of the Zoo. Amenities include audio and video capabilities, a white board, and direct access to our Overlook Balcony for an additional fee.

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DURATION

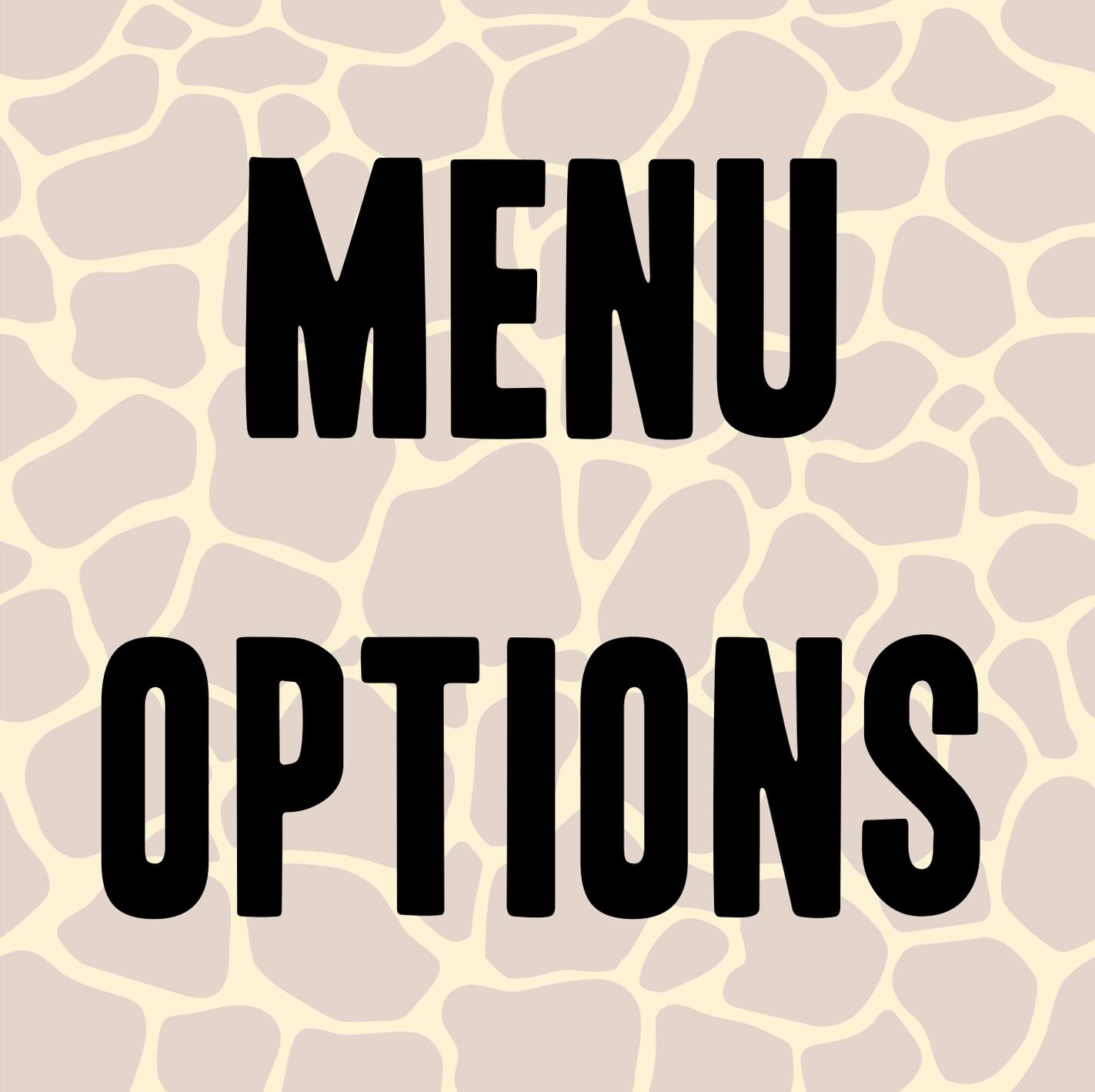
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Inside Full-Day 8-hours \$2,000

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Indoor/Outdoor Full-Day 8-hours \$3,000
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MENU

OPTIONS

HORS D'OEUVRES

DETAILS:

- Requires a Minimum Order of 50 Guests
- Food Quantities Must Match Final Guest Count
- Includes Eco-Friendly Compostable Tableware

PASSED:

- Service for up to (1) Hour
- (1) Passer per 50 Guests
- Minimum of (3) Selections Recommended

STATIONED:

- Service for up to (2) Hours
- Minimum of (3) Selections Required

MEAT

CHICKEN POTSTICKERS

With Sweet Chili Sauce

PULLED PORK SLIDERS

With Skewered Pickle Alabama White Sauce

STEAK & CILANTRO EMPANADAS

With A Chipotle Dipping Sauce

CHICKEN WING

With Bourbon Honey Glaze

SEA

CRAB CAKE CROSTINI

Topped With Crispy Fried Capers

SHRIMP & GRITS

With Jalapeño Cheese Grits, Pan-Seared Shrimp & Tasso Gravy

BANG BANG SHRIMP

Battered & Fried Shrimp with Bang Bang Sauce

VEGETARIAN

STREET CORN PHYLLO CUP

With Cotija Cheese & Pico De Gallo

CAPRESE SKEWER

With Grape Tomatoes & Fresh Mozzarella

FRIED BRUSSELS SPROUTS

With Balsamic Glaze & Goat Cheese

VEGETABLE SPRING ROLL

With Sesame-Soy Glaze

TOMATO BASIL BRUSCHETTA

With Seasonal Tomatoes and a Balsamic Glaze on Crostini

MAC & CHEESE BITES

With A Sweet & Sour Sauce



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Dietary Information: Vegetarian 🌿 Vegan 🥬 Gluten-Free 🚫 Dairy-Free 🥛 Contains Nuts 🌰 Contains Sesame 🌱 Sustainable Seafood 🐟

DISPLAY STATIONS

SMALL BITES

BREADS & SPREADS

Fresh Vegetables, Pita, Tortilla Chips, Hummus 🌱
 French Onion Dip, and Choice of Buffalo Chicken Dip
 - or - Spinach-Artichoke Fondue 🍷

SOUTHERN CHARCUTERIE BOARD

Assortment of Cured Meats, Olives,
 Pickled Vegetables, Assorted Domestic Cheeses
Served with:
 Selection of Crackers and Breads

SWEET & SAVORY CHARCUTERIE BOARD

Cookies, Dessert Bars, Classic Salted &
 Cinnamon Sugar Pretzels
Toppings Include:
 Cream Cheese Fruit Dip, Cheese Dip, Salted Caramel
 Sauce, and Mustard



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- Service for Up to 1.5 Hours
- Prices are Per Person

SAVORY

12 MAC N' CHEESE BAR 21

Cavatappi Pasta with Aged Cheddar Sauce,
 Grilled Chicken, & Pork
Toppings Include:

14 BACON, BLEU CHEESE CRUMBLES, FRIED ONIONS, GRILLED CHICKEN, PULLED PORK, ROASTED TOMATOES, HOT SAUCE, BBQ SAUCE ADD BLACKENED SHRIMP 7

POTATO BAR 15 (CHOOSE 1)

14 MASHED GARLIC YUKON GOLD POTATOES

Toppings Include:
 Bacon, Scallions, Shredded Cheese, Sour Cream, Butter,
 Broccoli, Hot Sauce, BBQ Sauce, Chicken - or - Pork

MASHED SWEET POTATOES

Toppings Include:
 Butter, Brown Sugar, Dried Cranberries, Glazed Pecans,
 Mini Marshmallows

SWEET

DIPPIN DOTS SUNDAE STATION 12

Toppings Include:
 Caramel Sauce, Cherries, Chocolate Syrup, Crushed Oreos, Sprinkles, Whipped Cream

POPCORN STATION 10

Buttered Popcorn Made In-House
Toppings Include:
 Cheddar Cheese, Chocolate Chips, Crushed Oreos,
 Marshmallows, Gummy Bears, Sprinkles,
 Assorted Seasonings

EVENING BUFFET

ENTREES

Select (2)

CHEESE TORTELLINI 🍝

Alfredo, Mushroom, Spinach, Tomato

APPLE BRINED PORK CHOP

Caramelized Onion & Roasted Apple Pan Jus

HERB CRUSTED SALMON

Romesco Sauce

ROASTED SIRLOIN

Horseradish Cream Sauce

SEARED AIRLINE CHICKEN

Peppered Onion, Honey Garlic Sauce

SALADS

Select (1)

BABY SPINACH 🍃

Cranberries, Goat Cheese, Olive Oil, Red Onion, Slivered Almonds, Balsamic Vinaigrette

BIBB 🍃

Fried Onions, Grape Tomatoes, Shaved Carrots, Shredded Cheddar, Heb Ranch

CAESAR

Croutons, Shaved Parmesan, Caesar Dressing

FIELD GREENS 🥕🌱

Cucumbers, Grape Tomatoes, Shaved Red Onion, Balsamic Vinaigrette

ICEBERG 🌱

Bleu Cheese Crumbles, Red Onion, Rendered Bacon, Tomato, Balsamic Dressing

INCLUDES

BREAD & BUTTER
SWEET TEA
WATER

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INCLUDES:

- Sweet Tea
- Iced Water
- Includes Eco-Friendly Compostable Tableware

VEGETABLES

Select (1)

LEMON BUTTER BROCCOLINI

GRILLED ASPARAGUS

HONEY-GLAZED CARROTS

ROASTED BRUSSELS SPROUTS

SHALLOT BUTTER GREEN BEANS

ROASTED BROCCOLI & CAULIFLOWER

STARCHES

Select (1)

BOURSIN MACARONI & CHEESE

GARLIC MASHED POTATOES 🍷🌱

HERB ROASTED POTATOES 🍷🌱

ROASTED SWEET POTATOES 🍷🌱

ROASTED VEGETABLE ORZO SALAD

DESSERTS

Select (1)

APPLE & BERRY TART

ASSORTED MINI DESSERTS

CARAMEL PECAN BROWNIE

WARM APPLE COBBLER

With Whipped Topping

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BAR SERVICES

SPRITS INCLUDES:

GIN, RUM, TEQUILA, VODKA, WHISKEY

DETAILS:

- Security is required for all events with alcohol. Flat fee of \$200 per Guard. The addition of Security Guards is up to the discretion of the Sales Team.

CONSUMPTION BAR

\$500 Minimum & Bartender Fee Due in Advance.
Balance to be Paid After the Event.

DOMESTIC BEER

CRAFT/IMPORTED BEER

WINE

STANDARD LIQUOR

PREMIUM LIQUOR

CANNED SODA



BAR FEES

CONSUMPTION BAR

Requires (1) Bartender per (75-100) Guests

\$150 Setup Fee in Addition to Bar Service.
The amount of Bar Staff is up to the
discretion of the Sales Team.



ANIMALS

&

EXTRAS

ANIMAL EXPERIENCE ADD-ONS

You are welcome to request an animal to attend your event, or NOT attend your event. However, there are no guarantees that the animal of your choice will be available. If you request a specific animal to be at your event, it may limit your options in regards to the number of animals and amount of time the Ambassador Animals can attend your event. Animals used for animal extras are not animals that are on exhibit in the Zoo. Some examples of animals who could make an appearance at your event include a ferret, box turtle, screech owl, great horned owl, cockatoo, snake, parrot, opossum, blue tongued skink, armadillo, baby alligator, or a tenrec hedgehog.

ANIMAL GREETING



RATE

\$200

Ambassador Staff will greet your guests as they arrive for up to 30 minutes with one or two animals. This option is ideal for large parties. Staff will spend a few minutes with each person who wants to visit with the animal before heading into their event.

ANIMAL DEMONSTRATION

RATE

\$350

Animal Care Professionals will host a brief wildlife show with three to four animals for your guests for up to 30 minutes. This controlled option is ideal for people who would like to sit for the duration of the demo and have a highly educational experience.



GIRAFFE NEWLYWED EXPERIENCE

Available from March-October until 7:00 pm each day.



RATE

\$250

A photo opportunity like no other! Book a special photo shoot and feeding with the giraffe! Either for your first look or as a chance for the newlyweds to enjoy each other's company along with a few tall friends! Either way, this experience will be one of your favorite memories of your big day. Animal Care Professionals will provide you with a few tips and food to last throughout your 30-minute session for up to two people.

RENTALS & EXTRAS

WEDDING ARBOR \$50

Gold hoop

WHITE PADDED FOLDING CHAIRS \$4.15 EACH

Rent in place of folding black plastic chairs



PACKAGE INFORMATION

PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- **Golf Cart Rental with Driver**
- **Cake Cutting & Attendant**
- **Dinner Buffet** - Pricing dependent on guest count.
 - Wedding Couple Private Dinner area included
- **Requires Choice of Minimum (3) Passed Hors D'oeuvres**
- **Consumption Bar - 4 Hours**
 - Any additional costs over the \$500 minimum will be charged after event concludes.
- **Dedicated Venue Manager** - responsible for all venue needs (chairs, tables, linens, food, drinks, bar, staffing)
 - Not a Wedding Coordinator. Please ask our Sales Team today for our Recommended Vendor List.
- **Venue Rental includes a Ceremony and Reception space, as well as (1) Wedding Suite**
 - Wedding Suite: Boardroom or Zoo Lodge
 - Ceremony/Reception Spaces: Trails of Africa, Plaza, or Zoo Lodge
- **Animal Greeting** from 5:30-6:00 p.m. at Front Entrance
 - Temperature, temperament, & staffing dependent
- **Water Service for Wedding Suite(s)**
- **Rehearsal time the Friday before the wedding anytime between 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.**
- **Entrance to the Zoo for setup beginning at 3:00 p.m. the day of the wedding**
- **Weddings cannot start prior to 6:00 p.m.**

PRICING:

- 50% discount on listed Wedding Suite price
- 10% discount on all F&B (excludes alcohol) on listed price
- Pricing is per person
- Pricing is subject to change at the discretion of the Sales Team

**Must book wedding on or before December 31, 2025 to get current pricing.*

EVENT INFORMATION

Food Guarantees

Final guest count is to be advised no later than Ten (10) business days prior to the event date. The final bill will reflect the guarantee or the number served, whichever is greater. If no final guarantee is received, we will consider the estimated guest count indicated on your Banquet Event Order to be your guaranteed number of guests. The guarantee is not subject to reduction after the above deadline. Last minute orders may be accepted, but please note due to the need to expedite staffing, orders, and preparations, a late fee may be applied, and availability of certain menu items may be limited.

Menus

Unless otherwise specified, all menus are priced per person to be enjoyed during the allotted time while here on-site at Birmingham Zoo

Liquor & Food Service Regulations

Food & Beverage cannot be removed from the premises by any party other than the catering department. As a standard, all buffets are served for a 1.5-hour period, but may be extended on advance request. Please see your Sales Manager for pricing. SSA Group, LLC. holds the Liquor License at Birmingham Zoo, therefore, liquor, beer, and wine may not be brought into the zoo from outside sources. Liquor, beer, and wine may not be removed from the site. All bars will end 30 minutes prior to event end time.

Contract & Deposit

A signed contract detailing all arrangements must be received by SSA Group, LLC. prior to the event date. A deposit equal to 50% of your venue rental and 25% of any additional charges is due at the time of signing the contract. Deposit payments may be made by cash, credit card, personal check, cashier's check or money order. All deposits made are included in the final invoice. Final payment is due 90 days before the event date. Any additional fees incurred after the final payment is made will be applied to the final invoice, and payment is due upon receipt.

Cancellation

Guests must provide written notice prior to canceling this agreement. Please see the Cancellations and Rescheduling sections of your event contract for more information.

Decor

The Zoo will allow most decorations with the exception of balloons, confetti, glitter, table sprinkles, airhorns, silly string, and open flames.

Outside Food & Vendors

Most of the facilities at The Birmingham Zoo include: venue, existing tables and chairs, set up of Zoo's tables and chairs, as well as clean up during and after the event. The Zoo offers several options for additional rentals to accommodate your guest count. Outside vendor rentals are accepted, but contact information must be provided to the Zoo's Catering team. The Birmingham Zoo does require that you use Taste Catering as your caterer. You are welcome to use any other outside vendors for rentals, lighting, flowers, cake, etc. Recommendations for specific vendors can be made by our Catering Sales Team.

Security

A security guard is required for a minimum of four hours with any alcohol service or for any after-hours venue rentals for a charge of \$200 each. The Zoo reserves the right to require additional security guards based on the venue or type of event. The Birmingham Zoo will be responsible for hiring security guards.