



2021 Event Rental & Policies

The tasting room at Serpent Ridge is an ideal location for your intimate event. The room overlooks the lovely vineyard and has an outside porch with seating, a tented picnic area with tables/chairs as well as a grassy area with tables/chairs (for the warmer months in a year). We are a small boutique vineyard/winery, as such, have some **space limitations (in poor weather)**. We want to ensure your event is perfect and we meet your needs, so after your review, please come and visit!

Typically, we have hosted: milestone birthday & anniversary parties, bridal showers, wedding rehearsal parties, and bachelorette parties.

High level summary:

- **Capacity** – inside space can normally accommodate ~25 people. If using the outdoor space and our tented picnic area, we can accommodate a **maximum of 40 guests** (this is due to the possibility of inclement weather and having space inside the tasting room, in the tent or on the covered porch for protection). IF the weather is nice, there is more than adequate spacing for your group to spread out.
- **Fees:**
 - Up to 25 guests– flat fee: **\$175 (3 hour rental)**; deposit of \$50 to hold date, AND
 - **Wine purchase required: minimum one case of wine** (wine details on website)
 - Up to 40 guests– flat fee: **\$225 (3 hour rental)**; deposit of \$50 to hold date, AND
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- **Rental Hours** – private rental needs to be **outside our normal business hours**
- **Catering** – renter provided (no onsite kitchen)

Rental of Tasting Room – Hours:

The tasting room (incl picnic area, grassy area & porch) is available to rent for your private party **during non-business hours and based on availability**. Our normal business hours for the public are Wed, Thurs & Fri 12-5pm, and Saturdays & Sundays 10:30 am – 6pm. Your private event would need to occur outside of these standard hours since they are already published to the public.

Maximum Capacity:

- Our tasting room can accommodate up ~ 25 people) - (standing, mingling type of event)
- Up to 50 MAX (tasting room and outside spaces in warmer months). Please note: **A tent rental would be required in case of inclement weather, given the restrictions of the numbers of people the tasting room can accommodate; we cannot control the weather and want to ensure you and your guests are comfortable**

Parking space is limited at the winery, and we only have a single rest room (and a porta-potty in the summer months), so please come and visit to ensure we can meet your needs.

Wine Purchase Required:

Renter agrees to purchase one (mixed) case of wine (12 bottles) along with rental fees.

- Typically we'll do a wine tasting from bottles in your planned purchase of wine.
- Alternatively, we can do a normal Wine tasting (based on current tasting/flight rates) and guests retain the souvenir Serpent Ridge Vineyard wine glass); then you purchase the case of wine for consumption on premises or to take home. (after all covid restrictions lifted and we resume tastings instead of wine flights).

Room Rental Fee:

For 2021, Serpent Ridge is charging a **flat fee of \$175.00 (for up to 25 guests) and \$225 for up to 40 guests for the use of the facility for 3 hours** to cover infrastructure expenses and any staffing for the event. If additional time is requested, the rate is \$75/hr for up to 2 additional hours. **This includes any set-up/clean-up time.**

Staffing:

Typically included. Depending on the size of the event, only 1 or two staff members are normally needed. If more are needed or both owners not available, staff fee will need to be paid at normal hourly rate.

Tents:

If you would like to use a tent during your event, it must be pre-approved by Serpent Ridge Vineyard to ensure proper size and location. All tents must be **placed and removed during non-business hours**. Tent rental, any delivery, set-up and removal fees are the responsibility of the renter. Renter must arrange for all items relating to tent rental.

Other information:

As we do not have a food preparation area, your event will need to be catered (or food provided by renter). All dinnerware, and utensils will need to be provided by your caterer. Caterer/renter is responsible for cleanup of all of their items and the tasting room.

Serpent Ridge does not have an approved list of caterers for the facility. We can suggest caterers based on one's other guests have selected in the past.

Clean up:

We ask that you leave the room clean/tidy as when you found it; i.e., please remove all trash and take with you (garbage bags provided); light sweeping and wipe down of tables.

Parking is limited to designated areas. Make sure to discuss the anticipated number of vehicles so we can show you the areas in which to park.

Serpent Ridge Vineyard Wines can be used or consumed at any event. **Maryland State Law prohibits the presence of any outside alcoholic beverages. Any non-alcoholic beverages are welcome.** All guests must be 21 years of age in order to consume alcohol. Smoking is strictly prohibited inside all buildings.

To obtain more information on planning a special event, please call us at 410-848-6511 or email at

info@serpentrige.com. All contacts and deposits should be sent to Serpent Ridge Vineyard, Attn: Karen, 2962 Nicodemus Road, Westminster, MD 21157

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