



2024 After-Hours Event Rental & Policies (last updated Feb 2024)

The tasting room at Serpent Ridge can be an ideal location for your SMALL intimate event. We are a small, family-owned, agricultural business but do our best to extend our place for small private rentals. Our tasting 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).

As a small boutique vineyard/winery, we have some **space limitations** (especially 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. We do not host weddings.

Rental Hours:

The tasting room (including tented 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:

- ***November thru March*** -Our tasting room can accommodate up ~ **25 people max** - (standing, mingling type of event).
- ***April thru October*** - Our tasting room can accommodate up ~ **25 people max** - (standing, mingling type of event). If using the outdoor space and our tented picnic area in addition to tasting room, we can accommodate a **maximum of 40 people** (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.
- ***By signing the contract, you are committing to the maximum number of people present.***

Note: Parking space is limited on-site, 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.

Fees:

- Up to 25 guests:
 - Flat fee: **\$200 (3 hour rental)**; deposit of \$75 to hold date, AND
 - **Wine purchase required: minimum one mixed case of wine/12 bottles** (wine details on website)
- Up to 40 guests (max):
 - Flat fee: **\$275 (3 hour rental)**; deposit of \$75 to hold date, AND
 - **Wine purchase required: minimum one (mixed) case of wine/12 bottles** (wine details on website)
- **Note:** If additional time is requested, the rate is \$100/hour for each hour up to 2 additional hours. **This includes any set-up/clean-up time.**

Catering / Food Questions:

As we do not have a food preparation area or kitchen, your event will need to be catered (or food provided by renter). All dinnerware and utensils will need to be provided. 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; however, we are happy to 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)** and wipe down any tables of food/spills.

Parking:

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.

Other Important Rules –please review.

- Serpent Ridge Vineyard Wines are used 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.
- You are renting the indoor and outdoor space "as-is"; we ask that you not move the furniture
- Any musicians need to be pre-approved by owners (a single or duo acoustic performance is ok and handled by renter); volume of music needs to be appropriate for our small area
- The maximum capacity stated is **for all individuals on-site (catering/musician, etc.)**
- No set-up of food or décor is allowed before your committed rental time (i.e., not during business hours)
- 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@serpentrillage.com. All contacts and deposits should be sent to Serpent Ridge Vineyard, Attn: Karen, 2962 Nicodemus Road, Westminster, MD 21157

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