

BLUE COTTAGE FARMS



Your Hosts

Hello and welcome to the farm! We are Chris and Rachel Massmann, owners of Blue Cottage Farms in Ramsey Minnesota. Our property sits on a beautiful 15 acres of land with a sweet little barn, perfect for a small indoor gathering or the backdrop to any outdoor event. Our goal is to provide a stress free day at an affordable price. Rachel is a professional graphic designer for a marketing and event company with twenty years of experience. Design and details are her passion! Rachel has freelanced for many years, creating memorable one of a kind wedding invitations and signage packages for brides. She also creates custom invitations for any type of event. Chris works for the same marketing and event company on the production side. He is also a talented cabinet builder with a wood working shop on the property, He can build anything and everything you dream up! It will be our job on your big day to ensure everything runs smoothly, communicate with vendors and take care of the details.

Location:

Blue Cottage Farms

5552 179th Lane NW, Ramsey Minnesota

Located 45 minutes north of Minneapolis/St. Paul nestled in a rural setting

Events

We can host gatherings small or large up to 200 guests. Will work with you on every detail to ensure the event is flawless. The most popular type of events are:

- ♥ Wedding & Reception
- ♥ Rehearsal Dinner
- ♥ Ceremony Only
- ♥ Reception Only
- ♥ Graduation Party
- ♥ Family or Class Reunion
- ♥ Bridal Shower
- ♥ Anniversary Party
- ♥ Birthday Party
- ♥ Banquets

Hours

The farm will be open from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. For small events, we request the event to be anytime between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Special requests can be made for evening gatherings.

For weddings, the event must come to an end by 10 p.m. and all guests must be gone by 11 p.m. The bride/groom, bridal party, parents and close family may be allowed to stay and cleanup decor. All rental items, decor and garbage have to be packed up and off the property by noon the next day.

Parking

The farm has ample parking, with a short walking distance to the property. Car parking signs will clearly mark where to park vehicles. A parking attendant may be assigned to direct traffic for larger events, such as weddings. If there are special needs for handicapped or elderly we will accommodate that need and allow them to be dropped off closer to the barn.

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Barn

The barn is 1100 square feet, to be used for gatherings inside up to 50 people. Small events such as a bridal shower or birthday party can be set up inside and decorated to your tastes. Small intimate wedding ceremonies can be held inside the barn. Tables and chairs will be setup by the hosts prior to your event. It will be your responsibility to decorate, setup special areas (dessert or gift tables) and tear down/cleanup all garbage.

For large weddings and reunions (up to 200) the event will be held outside and the barn can be used for food serving, decor, photo booth, small seating/visiting areas, and games. It can also be reserved for the bridal party to wait for the ceremony to take place. The hay mound will be off limits and a rope will be put up to deter guests from exploring. Future plans for a waiting/getting ready area and deck out of the hay mound are in the works.

Open houses can be both inside and outside of the barn, as people are coming and going. We can set up the additional 10x30 white tent in event of rain for overflow people that don't fit in the barn.

Tents ~ Tables ~ Chairs

For large wedding events, it will be required to rent tents, tables and chairs for an outdoor setup. With our Minnesota weather, tents will be needed in the event of rain or hot weather (shade needed).

Catering

A licensed caterer is required for events with 50+ people. You may choose any vendor and we will work out the details with them. Please keep in mind there are no kitchen facilities, the caterer must bring prepared food and set-up before the ceremony starts. There will be outlets provided - food setup for large events will be ideal in the barn. They may also cater under tents, and we will provide extension cords to the tent. Alcohol may be served and bartenders required - for weddings only. No alcohol allowed for graduation parties, reunions, or birthday parties. All bakery food items including cakes, desserts, cookies, pies and brownies must be from a licensed facility. We do not charge a cake cutting fee. Please assign a trusted guest to cut and serve your desserts, or the catering company.

Bathroom

Porta Potty rental required. Future bathroom facilities are in the works.

Insurance

We require weddings to acquire event insurance.

Private Facilities

At this time we do not have private areas for the wedding party to change or get ready. We ask you to come to the property in your attire, or change in the barn before guests arrive. A full length mirror and table will be set up in the milk house for any last minute touch ups or storage for the bridal party.

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Music and Dance

You may provide music for your events and during a ceremony. The dance can be held at the back of the barn on the cement slab, or the side with a stage/platform. *Please ask us for a price to provide this. We have neighbors to the east of our property and noise carries easily. If we feel any evening dance/noise levels are overly loud and excessive, we reserve the right to turn the music down and a warning will be issued. If problems persist the music will be shut down altogether.

Photography

If you book your wedding or event with Blue Cottage Farms you may have engagement pictures taken on the farm as part of your wedding package. It is up to you to arrange wedding day photography and details. We have an inexpensive preferred vendor who knows our property well and is local. She did our own wedding day photography along with our yearly family photo's and children's graduation pictures. Ask us for details and we will provide her information.

For a small fee, our property is available anytime for a photo shoot. We will only charge a \$50 fee for a 2 hour use of the property.

Private Property

We reserve the right to escort anyone off the property. If guests are excessively loud, fight, or create issues we will take action. Our home is off limits and no one beside the bride, groom, parents, event planner or pre-approved person may enter it. This is our private home and we are sharing it with you and your guests so please be considerate and help us keep it safe and clean for everyone.

Smoking

Smoking is not permitted on or near the barn, tents or properties. We will have a designated smoking area in the back field with a garbage for disposal.

Belongings & Gifts

We do not have a secure room for belongings and gifts. We suggest you assign someone to pack your cards and gifts up and secure in your car for the night.

Animals

You may include your pet in any engagement or family photo shoots. We ask you to keep them at home on the day of the event for the safety of your guests.

Contract

Blue Cottage Farms will have a contract with your reserved date, rental agreement, price, and all fees due for you to sign.

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Provided

We have several items that will be available to use free of charge with the barn rental:

6 - 6' Tables

1 - 8' Table

50 White Plastic chairs (not wedding type, for grad parties/reunions)

2 Card Tables

1 - Patio Table with 6 seats

1 - Patio Table with 4 seats

8 Gray Plastic Adirondack Chairs with side tables

1 - 10' White Washed Farm Table (Custom Built)

1 - 6' Rolling Bar Height Counter (Custom Built)

2 - 10'x30' White Tent (can be used with or without walls)

Garbage Cans

Horse Trough for Drinks ~ Water/Soda

2 Mason Jar Jugs for Punch or Lemonade

14 Vintage Blue Mason Jars

Burlap Runners

15 White Table cloths for 5' Round tables

3 Round Cake Platters for Desserts

1 Custom Hand Lettered Sign for Entrance

Parking Signs

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Pricing

Pricing will vary depending on the type of event and services you may choose to add on. A \$250 deposit is required to hold the date, with final payment due two weeks before the event. For weddings a \$200 check will be required and held for a damage deposit. It will be returned provided there is no damage and cleanup is complete. We are more than happy to work out a payment plan for weddings only. Once your date is chosen, we will start the planning process by going over your event in detail and create an event timeline for you and your family.



Small Gathering Package

Up to 50 Guests

1 Hour Setup

3 Hour Event

1 Hour Tear Down

Hosts are responsible for tables and chair setup pre-party

Clients are responsible for decor set up, food and drink setup, tear down and cleanup

Porta Potty required and included in rental price

\$550.00

Intimate Ceremony Package

Up to 20 guests

1 Hour Ceremony

Minimal Setup/Decor 1 Hour prior to event

Hosts to set up tables/chairs if needed

Hosts to tear down tables/chairs

No Porta Potty required

\$350.00

Graduation, Open House, Reunions

1 Hour Setup

3-4 Hour Event

1 Hour Tear Down

Clients are responsible for decor set up, food and drink setup, tear down and cleanup

Porta Potty required and included in rental price

\$650.00



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Minne-Sota Wedding

Up to 50 guests

Wedding day 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

If client chooses not to use Blue Cottage Farms
6' tables/chairs/10x30 tent, you will rent your own

Client provides all decor, linens and vendors

Blue Cottage Farms will set-up and tear down

Client is responsible for Porta Potty rental

\$1150

Do-It-Yourself Wedding Package

Up to 200 guests

Wedding day 9 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Client rents all tents, tables, chairs and will set up

Client provides all decor, linens and vendors

Client is responsible for tear down and clean up

Client is responsible for Porta Potty rental

\$1750

** For more than 200 guests, an additional fee will be required.*

Basic Wedding Package

Up to 200 guests

Decor drop off and setup at 4-6 p.m.

Wedding day 9 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Client rents all tents, tables, linens and chairs ~ to be delivered day before to the farm

Client provides all decor and vendors

Setup, tear down, and cleanup will be provided by Blue Cottage Farms

Porta Potty provided by Blue Cottage Farms

\$3000

** Rehearsal and dinner additional \$200, 4-8 p.m.*

** For more than 200 guests, an additional fee will be required.*

Ultimate Wedding Package

Up to 200 guests

Rental starts the previous evening for decor set up, rehearsal and dinner 4-8 p.m.

Wedding day 9 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Client provides all decor, linens and vendors

(2-3) 20'x40' Tents, (25) 5' Round tables, 200 White Metal Chairs rented and set up by Blue Cottage Farms

Tear down and clean up provided by Blue Cottage Farms

Porta Potty provided by Blue Cottage Farms

\$5000

** Price is subject to change, based on style of tent, tables and chairs. If a fancier style is requested, price will be updated.*

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FOR ANY ADDITIONAL SERVICES OR ITEMS PLEASE INQUIRE AND WE CAN PROVIDE A QUOTE.

CUSTOM BUILT ITEMS FOR YOUR EVENT OR WEDDING

GRAPHIC DESIGN SERVICES BY BLUE COTTAGE CREATIVE

(WEDDING INVITATIONS, PROGRAMS, SIGNAGE)

WEDDING COORDINATOR OR PHOTOGRAPHER