

TUCKED AWAY AT THE BASE OF THE BLUE RIDGE MOUNTAINS
LIES ONE OF THE MOST ROMANTIC WEDDING DESTINATIONS IN NORTH CAROLINA.

FALL IN LOVE WITH RUTHERFORD COUNTY



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2022 WEDDING GUIDE



Lake Lure, Chimney Rock &
THE BLUE RIDGE FOOTHILLS

LAKES & BEACHES | HISTORIC HOMES | RUSTIC FARMS | SCENIC MOUNTAIN BACKDROPS



Happily Ever After Starts Here

Make your wedding dreams a reality in a place that's nestled amidst breathtaking landscapes, pristine mountain air, and serene lakes and rivers.

Conveniently located between Charlotte and Asheville and just an hour north of Spartanburg, the quaint towns of Rutherford County are the quintessential location for saying "I Do".

Be welcomed by friendly faces and embraced by southern hospitality.

Discover the charm of a small-town lifestyle as you prepare for your life's magical milestone.

Nearby regional and international airports make the journey simple for all out of town guests to join the festivities, and our four-season climate offers an abundance of opportunities for choosing your ideal time of year to walk down the aisle, with moderate temperatures that make the winters a little warmer and the summers a little cooler than surrounding areas.

Package your ceremony and reception in one location. From pre-wedding pampering to post-event parties, our luxury resorts and inns accommodate both large and smaller groups in style.

RESORTS & INNS

Rumbling Bald Resort: Have your ceremony beach-side under a gazebo or open-air pavilion, then dance the night away on their Lakeview Terrace. The resort's Garden room and patio are perfect for smaller groups, and everyone will enjoy Rumbling Bald's myriad of dining and activity opportunities from their on-site sports bar, to local wine tours and day spa bliss.

The 1927 Lake Lure Inn & Spa: Famous for its role in the film *Dirty Dancing*, this beautiful location offers awe-inspiring weddings in a variety of styles. Ceremony options range from their poolside veranda terrace, lakeside gazebo, to the resort's lavish grand lobby. Celebrate in one of their decadent dining rooms for a touch of elegance like nowhere else, then enjoy nearby activities and attractions in Lake Lure for a wedding that's sure to stay in your guests' memories for years to come.

Many of our smaller inns and resorts also offer incredible package deals that are perfect for accommodating smaller gatherings. Check our website at VisitNCSmallTowns.com to find your most magical option.

NATURAL SETTINGS



Natural settings provide serenely beautiful escapes for a perfect wedding getaway.

The picturesque **Gazebo at Morse Park** is the perfect lakeside location to revel in your special day surrounded by a majestic cathedral of mountains and foothills.

The 75-mile panoramic views at **Chimney Rock State Park** from atop the park's ancient granite monolith make a breathtaking backdrop for nuptial bliss, and the options for taking your vows by a misting waterfall or amid a secluded forest definitely set the stage for a magical life ahead.

Embrace the ambiance of a rushing river at **Riverside Event Center** beside the Rocky Broad, or charm your guests with rustic elegance and a touch of country flair at **The Pavilion at Cedar Creek Stables** or **Zimmerwald Estate Barn & Grainery**.





SMALLER SETTINGS, HISTORIC FLAIR

As one of the oldest counties in Western North Carolina, historic venues with vintage flair are our specialty.

Intimate settings are perfect for small, quaint touches and understated glam. **The Esmeralda Inn & Restaurant** specializes in smaller groups that prefer an upscale mountainside retreat with old Hollywood charm. Make your entrance down a beautifully rustic log staircase, dance on the same floors that Clark Gable trod, and bask in the mountainside sunshine of their incredibly landscaped spaces.

The Firehouse Inn in historic downtown Rutherfordton is an exquisite bed and breakfast venue offering small groups the choice of their stylish Garden Terrace and tent on the courtyard lawn or indoor Living Room space. Once the town's firehouse, this historic location adds a touch of 1920's decadence to any gathering.



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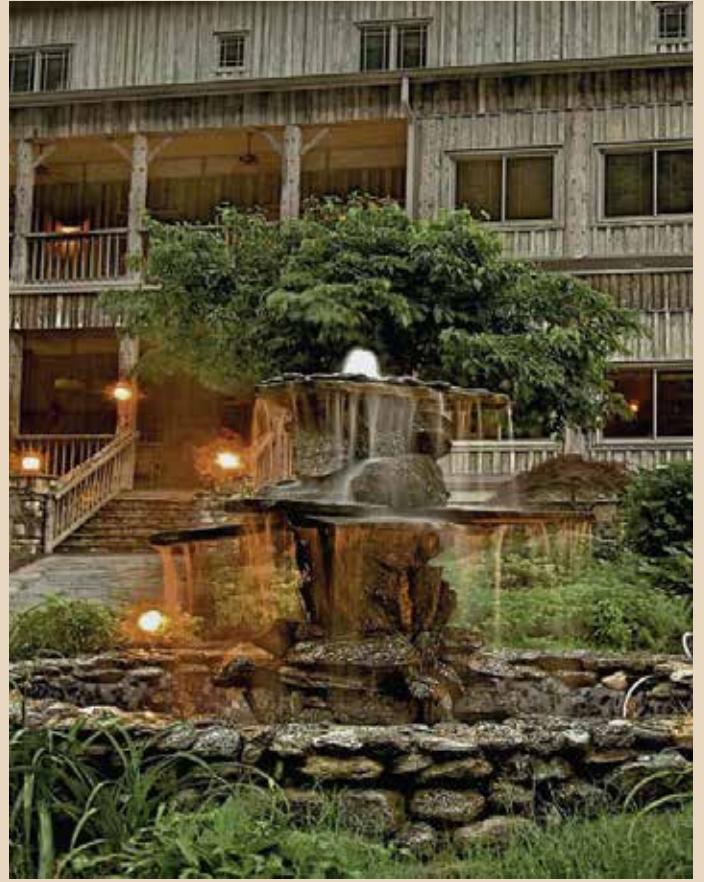
EVENT & CONFERENCE CENTER

If you're looking for the best service and hospitality in the North Carolina foothills, our small town venues have you covered.

Carolina Event & Conference Center in Forest City boasts stunning ballrooms, soaring ceilings, and stone fireplaces, not to mention the beautiful outdoor terrace and gardens.

The Foundation Performing Arts Center in Spindale offers expansive venue settings amid the gorgeous backdrop of the town's ICC trails and foothills views.

Yogi Bear's Jellystone Park in Golden Valley offers an ideal retreat for anyone dreaming of an all-inclusive outdoor wedding getaway. From glamping yurts to riverside cabins and onsite activities, it's the perfect location for camping enthusiasts who prefer to celebrate amid nature's beauty while still enjoying the creature comforts of modern times.



BARN SETTINGS

Beautifully restored barns are a picture-perfect way to add a touch of old world charm to your wedding venue.

Nestled serenely in the NC foothills, **Creekside Farm** is one of the most stunning barn venue locations ever envisioned. Inspired by the design style of Magnolia Plantation in Charleston, SC, this modern barn venue offers multiple showstopping ceremony options in addition to their stress free package offerings that are guaranteed to make your ceremony a carefree day of bliss.

If you're searching for breathtakingly wide open spaces filled with natural rustic appeal, **Shining Star Acres** is a bewitching blend of pastoral views and homespun scenery. **New Beginnings Historic Farm** is an incredibly renovated, fully-operational farmstead where you and your guests can revel in the glory of your special day amid courtyard pastures flanked by flourishing grapevines and lush forests. The farm's Scottish Highland cows and long-eared Nubian goats are even available to add a touch of fun to those all important photographic moments.

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Creekside Farm

368 Robinson Creek Rd.
828-229-2515
CreeksideFarmVenue.com

Ellenboro

Shining Star Acres

519 Dobbinsville Rd.
828-429-2796
On Facebook @ShiningStarAcres

Rutherfordton

New Beginnings Historic Farm

5370 US 64-74A Highway
828-275-1683
NewBeginningsFarms.com

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VisitNCSmallTowns.com



INFORMATION ON VENUES FEATURED

Chimney Rock Village

Esmeralda Inn & Restaurant

910 Main Street
828-625-2999
TheEsmeralda.com

Chimney Rock State Park

431 Main Street
828-625-9611
ChimneyRockPark.com

Lake Lure

The 1927 Lake Lure Inn & Spa

2771 Memorial Highway
828-625-2525
LakeLure.com

Rumbling Bald Resort

112 Mountain Boulevard
828-694-3000
RumblingBald.com

The Pavilion at Cedar Creek Stables

542 Cedar Creek Road
828-625-2811
CedarCreekStables.com

Riverside Event Center

3105 Memorial Highway
828-436-5130
Riverside-Events.com

Gazebo at Morse Park Meadows

2926 Memorial Highway
828-625-9983
TownofLakeLure.com

Rutherfordton

The Firehouse Inn

134 N. Washington Street
828-286-9030
TheFirehouseInn.com

New Beginnings Historic Farm

5370 US-74 ALT
828-275-1683
NewBeginningsFarms.com

Spindale

The Foundation Performing Arts Center

286 ICC Loop Road
828-286-9990
FoundationShows.org

Forest City

Carolina Event and Conference Center

374 Hudlow Road
828-245-8873
CarolinaEvent.org

Ellenboro

Zimmerwald Estate Barn and Grainery

1001 Romey Campbell Road
704-472-4144
On Facebook
@TheZimmerwaldEstate

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Yogi Bear's Jellystone Park Camp-Resort Golden Valley

164 Girl Scout Camp Road
828-417-0086
GoldenValleyEvents.com



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