

Knoxville Botanical Garden & Arboretum

EVENT RENTALS

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Nestled among these historic 44 acres of gardens and blooming trails, KBGA is a place where your story unfolds naturally — whether you're exchanging vows, celebrating a milestone, or bringing your team together. We are thrilled to welcome you and help make your event unforgettable.

At a Glance

Venue / Package	Type	Capacity	Weekend Price	Weekday Price*	Add'l Hour
Dogwood Center	Indoor Venue	Up to 250 ceremony / 200 reception	\$5,000 – \$7,000	\$2,000 – \$4,000	\$500/hr
Garden & Outdoor Venues	Outdoor Venue	Up to 200 ceremony / 150 reception	\$4,000– \$6,000	\$2,000 – \$4,000	\$500/hr
Carriage House	Indoor Venue	Up to 100 guests	\$3,000 – \$5,000	\$2,000 – \$4,000	\$400/hr
Intimate Wedding Package	Carriage House or one garden (choice)	Under 50 guests	\$2,000 (4 hrs)	\$1,600 (4 hrs)	\$300/hr
Elopement Package	One garden space	20 guests max	\$300/hr	\$200/hr	—

**Weekday rate = 20% off the weekend base package price, applied Monday–Thursday. Additional-hour rates and Additional Services stay the same regardless of day.
Note: Dogwood Center and Garden & Outdoor pricing above reflects the July 1, 2026 rate revision; please confirm against your internal records, as the original document's weekday-rate table had not yet been updated to match.*

Venue & Package Details

Dogwood Center

Reception: 200 guests • Ceremony: 250 guests • Indoor

Our most sought-after venue for celebrations of all kinds. A light-filled interior and modern exterior with floor-to-ceiling windows overlooking the Dogwood Trail, the Garden of New Beginnings, and the Danae and Rita Johnson Gardens.

Includes:

- Use of Dogwood Center & Patio
- Use of Rita Johnson Garden
- 200 white garden chairs
- 20 round 60" tables
- 8 rectangular 6' tables
- 6 rectangular 8' tables
- 8 standing cocktail tables

Notes:

Additional hours: \$500/hr

Furniture use limited to inside Dogwood Center and patio

Weddings require the Full Day package (includes 1 hr rehearsal)

Great Lawns

500+ guests • Outdoor

Two lawns are available under the Great Lawns package:

Includes:

- LeConte Meadow—Flexible capacity, 16,000 sq ft. Ridgetop meadow with Smoky Mountain views (tent not included)
- Stone Wall Field—Flexible capacity, 11,000 sq ft. Field tucked between historic stone walls, the Maple Grove, and the Secret Garden (tent not included)

Notes:

Package includes day before and day after for tent set up and breakdown only (if you are renting a tent you must rent Full Day package)

No restrooms accessible, renter must rent restrooms

Additional hours: \$500/hr

Garden & Outdoor Venues

Reception: 150 guests • Ceremony: 200 guests • Indoor/Outdoor

Five distinct garden settings are available under the Garden & Outdoor package:

Includes:

- Stone Greenhouse—Reception 150 / Ceremony 200, 24' x 101'. A former working greenhouse showcasing seven types of ivy.
- Stone Terraces—Reception 150 / Ceremony 200. A terraced garden with flagstone paths and historic stone walls.
- Row Garden—Ceremony 200. Roses, lavender, and a weeping birch tree perfect for an arch.
- Martha Ashe Garden—Ceremony 200. Colorful annuals, azaleas, and Stone Roundhouses.

Notes:

Package includes exclusive use of two gardens, a 1 hr rehearsal, and use of Howell House Visitors Center

Additional hours: \$500/hr

Weddings must purchase the Full Day package

Carriage House

Reception: 100 guests • Ceremony: 100 guests • Indoor

An intimate, casual indoor space inside a 100-year-old brick structure blending rustic style with modern amenities. Features an attached flagstone patio and vine-laden pergola surrounded by the Green Drinks, Native Medicinal, and Pollinator Gardens.

Includes:

- Use of Carriage House
- Use of Carriage House Patio
- 100 white garden chairs
- 8 round 60" tables
- 6 rectangular 6' tables
- 2 patio dining tables & 24 patio chairs

Notes:

Additional hours: \$400/hr

Furniture use strictly limited to inside Carriage House and patio

Weddings require the Full Day package (includes 1 hr rehearsal)

Intimate Wedding Package

Under 50 guests • Indoor/Outdoor

Designed for smaller weddings that still want full catering and decor — choose either the Carriage House & Patio or one garden space as your setting.

Includes:

- Exclusive use of the Carriage House & Patio, OR one garden space (renter's choice)
- 50 white garden chairs
- 5 round 60" tables
- 3 rectangular 6' tables
- 30-minute rehearsal

Notes:

Additional hours: \$450/hr

Catering, decorating, and rentals allowed

Not subject to the standard Full Day wedding requirement

Elopement Package

20 guests maximum • Per hour: \$300

Includes:

- Exclusive use of one garden space

Notes:

No catering, decorating, or rentals allowed

Additional Services

We are happy to offer and facilitate event setup and breakdown, arranged directly through KBGA.

- Event Setup & Breakdown — Additional \$500 +

Discounts

We offer a 10% discount to active military personnel and to registered nonprofit organizations.