



Wedding Locations in Glacier National Park

Some things to know:

- Below is a list of all locations at which Glacier National Park may issue Special Use Permits to hold wedding/elopement ceremonies within the park. These are the only locations which will be considered. If a location is not on this list it will not be considered for a Special Use Permit and weddings/elopements may not be held at that location. A permit is required for any and all wedding ceremonies, exchanging of vows, elopements, etc. that occur within the park regardless of time of year or group size. Therefore, no event or ceremony can take place at any location not listed here at any time.
- Limitations vary by location. Please read through the information below carefully.
- All participant and vehicles numbers must include all individuals involved with or attending the permitted event and related vehicles. This includes but is not limited to wedding party, all guests/witnesses (regardless of age), and all third-party vendors including officiants and photographers. Going over limits listed on this document or permit is strictly prohibited.
- Special Use Permits are legal, binding documents. As a specially permitted event, all ceremonies/events will be monitored by a National Park Service employee. Permit holders and participants should anticipate being contacted by a park ranger who will be checking to ensure all terms and conditions of the permit are being adhered to. Permit holders must be prepared to present a signed copy of their permit and to identify all individuals and vehicles involved with the permitted event. If the permit holder is found to be in violation of any of the terms and conditions of the permit, the event may be delayed, disrupted, or cancelled. Permit holders must comply with all requests of any NPS employee. Violating the terms or conditions of a permit is considered a Class C Federal Misdemeanor and can result in fines of up to \$5,000 and up to six months in jail.
- Please remember to follow Leave No Trace Principals at all locations. Use designated restrooms and trash receptacles where available. Pack it out when such facilities are not available. All food storage regulations are strictly enforced.

- Please remember that the spreading/scattering/spraying of any item, whether edible or not, is strictly prohibited. This includes but is not limited to flower petals (both real and artificial), rice, birdseed, bubbles, and champagne. These rules still apply during all photography sessions that may or may not take place within the bounds of a permit.
- A permit does not guarantee entrance to the park or parking spaces once inside. All parking remains first-come, first-served. Reserving or saving spaces is prohibited. Park entrances and roads may be closed at any time due to weather, emergencies, congestion, or construction. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to monitor park media for closures that may impact their event and to contact the Office of Special Park Uses if a closure will impact a permit. Changes to permits must be approved in writing by an authorized official prior to the event. Changes will never be granted retroactively. Holding a ceremony or event outside of the parameters listed on the original permit without prior written approval from an authorized official is considered a violation of the terms and conditions of a permit even if access is restricted due to an emergency or unanticipated closure.

Symbol Key



This symbol indicates a location that is wheelchair accessible. Please keep in mind some areas may be unpaved and mud or loose gravel or dirt may still be present.
















This symbol indicates a location at which pets are allowed. Pets are allowed only in developed areas. All pets MUST be kept on a leash that is 6ft in length or shorter, be under the physical control of an adult at all times, and are never to be tied to any object or left unattended. Please remember to treat all pet food/treats the same as human food regarding food storage. Do not leave pets in vehicles. Service animals are allowed at all locations. All the above rules still apply. Please remember that emotional support/therapy/companion animals do not qualify as service animals.




This symbol indicates a location at which there are no facilities such as restrooms or trash cans. Please follow Leave No Trace Principals. Pack out all trash (including fruit peels and other biodegradable items). Human waste (both solid and liquid) must be deposited at least 200 feet from any water source, trail, or developed area. Use catholes for solid waste. Pack out all toilet paper.

Lake McDonald District

Location	Maximun Participants During Peak Season (2nd Friday in May - 2nd Sunday in October)	Maximun Vehicles During Peak Season (2nd Friday in May - 2nd Sunday in October)	Maximun Participants During Non-Peak Season (2nd Monday in October - 2nd Thursday in May)	Maximun Vehicles During Non-Peak Season (2nd Monday in October - 2nd Thursday in May)	Hours of Use Available	Dates of Use Available (subject to change due to weather/emergencies/etc.)	Permit Time Limit	Equipment Restrictions	Additional Information
  Apgar Amphitheater	15	3	30	15	During Peak Season: Only before 10am or after 5pm	Year-round; except no permits July 2nd - 5th	2 hours	No tables/chairs/décor. No food or beverages.	No Roadside Parking; During peak season: only one vehicle may park at amphitheater, other two vehicles must park Apgar Visitor Center; permit monitor required for events over 20 people.
  Apgar Picnic Area	15	4	20	6	sunrise until sunset	Not available April or May 2022 due to construction	2 hours	no tables/chairs/décor	All picnic tables remain first-come, first-served and may not be saved or reserved
  Fish Creek Amphitheater	30	12	50	20	sunrise until sunset	Year-round	2 hours	No tables/chairs/décor. No food or beverages.	If CG is closed for season, party can walk in. No restrooms available after closure. Permit monitor required for events over 20 people.
  Fish Creek Picnic Area	15	4	20	6	sunrise until sunset	Year-round	2 hours	no tables/chairs/décor	Picnic area may be also used for "reception" which does not need to be included in permit time; all picnic tables/areas remain first-come, first-served and may not be saved or reserved
  Avalanche Amphitheater	20	4	30	15	During Peak Season: Only after 6pm	Not available 10/1/22-5/10/23 due to construction	2 hours	No tables/chairs/décor. No food or beverages.	Parking is extremely limited at Avalanche Creek. Permit monitor required for events over 20 people.
 Avalanche Picnic Area	15	4	20	6	During Peak Season: Only after 6pm	Not available 10/1/22-5/10/23 due to construction	2 hours	no tables/chairs/décor	Parking is extremely limited at Avalanche Creek.
7 mile pullout (Sandy Point)	15	4	20	6	Not available before 7am or after 6pm June thru Sept 2022 due to night construction	Not available 10/1/22-5/10/23 due to construction	2 hours	no tables or decor, up to 4 chairs on sand for individuals who are elderly or disabled. No food or beverages.	Limit two permits per day
10 mile Pullout (Jackson Bay)	15	4	20	6	sunrise until sunset	Not available before 7am or after 6pm June thru Sept 2022 due to night construction; Not available 10/1/22-5/10/23 due to construction	2 hours	no tables or decor, up to 4 chairs on sand for individuals who are elderly or disabled. No food or beverages.	Limit two permits per day
 Sprague Picnic Area	15	4	20	6	Sunrise until 7pm	Not available 10/1/22-5/10/23 due to construction	2 hours	no tables/chairs/décor	Picnic area gate is closed by 9:00pm. Picnic area may be also used for "reception" which does not need to be included in permit time; all picnic tables/areas remain first-come, first-served and may not be saved or reserved
 Lake McDonald Lodge Beach	15	5	30	10	sunrise until sunset	Not available 10/1/22-5/10/23 due to construction	2 hours	No tables or decor, up to 4 chairs on sand for individuals who are elderly or disabled. No food or beverages.	Limit two permits per day; permittee <u>must</u> notify Lake McDonald Lodge prior to event. Permit monitor required for events over 20 people.
 Ryan Beach	15	4	20	6	sunrise until sunset	Year-round	2 hours	no tables/chairs/décor, no food or beverages	Limit two permits per day; Permitted area is the beach, not the meadow. Whenever water levels allow, events <u>must</u> take place below high water line. All events <u>must</u> take place on durable areas or areas that have already been impacted.

North Fork District

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 Juniper River Access	12	3	12	3	sunrise until sunset	June 1st - Oct 31st	2 hours	no tables or decor, up to 4 chairs on sand for individuals who are elderly and disabled only	accessible by river as well; can leave rafts on river bar, privacy not available.
Bowman Lake Day Use Area	12	3	24	6	During Peak Season: only before 5pm (latest permit issued for 3pm start)	Year-round	2 hours	no tables or decor, up to 4 chairs on sand for individuals who are elderly and disabled only	If Road Closed due to snow, cars can park at Polebridge Ranger Station and hike/ski 6+miles each way. Permit monitor required for events over 20 people.
Kintla Lake Day Use Area	8	2	8	2	sunrise until sunset	Year-round	2 hours	no tables or decor, up to 4 chairs on sand for individuals who are elderly and disabled only	If Road Closed due to snow, cars can park at Polebridge Ranger Station and hike/ski 14+miles each way, privacy not available.




Two Medicine/Walton District

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 Pray Lake	30	6	30	8	During Peak Season: only before 10am or after 4pm	Available Memorial Day thru Sept. 30th; Not available July 2nd - 5th	2 hours	no tables or decor, up to 4 chairs on sand for individuals who are elderly or disabled. No food or beverages.	Limit two permits per day. No Roadside Parking; park only in designated areas. Permit monitor required for events over 20 people. Whenever water levels allow, events <u>must</u> take place below high water line. All events <u>must</u> take place on durable surface or area that has already been impacted.
Two Medicine Campground Group Site  	12	6	20	8	sunrise until sunset	Available Memorial Day thru Sept. 30th; Not available July 2nd - 5th	2 hours	No tables/chairs/décor. No food or beverages	No Roadside Parking; park only in designated spaces, site is first-come first-served, site cannot be reserved
 Two Medicine Campground Amphitheater 	30	6	30	8	Only between 8am-5pm	Available Memorial Day thru Sept. 30th; Not available July 2nd - 5th or Sundays	2 hours	No tables/chairs/décor. No food or beverages	Permit monitor required for events over 20 people.
 Two Medicine Picnic Area	12	6	20	8	During Peak Season: only before 10am or after 4pm	Available Memorial Day thru Sept. 30th; Not available July 2nd - 5th	2 hours	No tables/chairs/décor. No food or beverages	Limit two permits per day. No Roadside Parking; park only in designated spaces. All picnic tables/areas remain first-come, first-served and may not be reserved or saved
Walton Picnic Area	15	3	15	3	sunrise until sunset	Available Memorial Day thru Sept. 30th; Not available July 2nd - 5th	2 hours	No tables/chairs/décor. No food or beverages	All picnic tables/areas remain first-come, first-served

Triple Divide (St. Mary) District

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 St. Mary Amphitheater	30	6	30	10	sunrise until sunset	Year-round	2 hours	No tables/chairs/décor. No food or beverages	If road is closed due to snow, parties may park at closure and hike/ski in. Permit monitor required for events over 20 people.
 Rising Sun Amphitheater	30	6	N/A	N/A	sunrise until sunset	Available Memorial Day thru Sept. 30th; Not available July 2nd - 5th	2 hours	No tables/chairs/décor. No food or beverages	Permit monitor required for events over 20 people.
St. Mary Lake Shoreline (across from Rising Sun Picnic Area)	15	5	N/A	N/A	Only before 4pm (latest permit issued for 2pm start)	Available Memorial Day thru Sept. 30th; Not available July 2nd - 5th	2 hours	no tables/chairs/décor. No food or beverages allowed on the shoreline	Limit two permits per day. Park in picnic area and take trail to shoreline. Food and beverages only allowed in picnic area, not shoreline. All picnic tables/areas remain first-come, first-served. Area frequently restricted due to wildlife activity. Permit <u>does not</u> allow access during wildlife closures. Permittee is responsible for monitoring area status and contacting office <u>in advance</u> if location change is required.
Sun Point	12	5	N/A	N/A	Only before 4pm (latest permit issued for 2pm start)	Available Memorial Day thru Sept. 30th; Not available July 2nd - 5th	2 hours	no tables/chairs/décor, no food or beverages	Limit two permits per day. Food and beverages only allowed at picnic area. All picnic tables/areas remain first-come, first-served.
 1913 Ranger Station	20	4	N/A	N/A	Only before 4pm (latest permit issued for 2pm start)	Available Memorial Day thru Sept. 30th; Not available July 2nd - 5th	2 hours	no tables/chairs/décor, no food or beverages	
 Red Eagle Trailhead	12	5	N/A	N/A	Only before 4pm (latest permit issued for 2pm start)	Available Memorial Day thru Sept. 30th; Not available July 2nd - 5th	2 hours	no tables/chairs/décor, no food or beverages	Permitted area is trailhead not Read Eagle Lake or anywhere along the trail itself

Chief Mountain (Many Glacier) District

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 Shore of Josephine Lake	15	3	N/A	N/A	Only before 9am or after 5pm	Available June 1st - Sept 30th; Not available Labor Day Weekend	2 hours	no tables/chairs/décor, no food or beverages	1 mile hike to location (2 mile round trip). Limit one permit per day.
Many Glacier Hotel Beach	15	4	N/A	N/A	Only before 9am or after 5pm	Available June 1st - Sept 30th; Not available Labor Day Weekend	2 hours	no tables/chairs/décor, no food or beverages	Permittee <u>must</u> notify Many Glacier Hotel prior to event
Many Glacier Hotel Green (behind main Lodge)	15	4	N/A	N/A	Only before 9am or after 5pm	Available June 1st - Sept 30th; Not available Labor Day Weekend	2 hours	no tables/chairs/décor, no food or beverages	Permittee <u>must</u> notify Many Glacier Hotel prior to event
Many Glacier Hotel -SW Beach	15	4	N/A	N/A	Only before 9am or after 5pm	Available June 1st - Sept 30th; Not available Labor Day Weekend	2 hours	no tables/chairs/décor, no food or beverages	Permittee <u>must</u> notify Many Glacier Hotel prior to event
 Many Glacier Hotel Deck	10	4	N/A	N/A	Only before 9am or after 5pm	Available June 1st - Sept 30th; Not available Labor Day Weekend	2 hours	no tables/chairs/décor, no food or beverages	Permittee <u>must</u> notify Many Glacier Hotel prior to event
  Many Glacier CG Amphitheater	20	10	N/A	N/A	Only before 9am or after 5pm	Available June 1st - Sept 30th; Not available Labor Day Weekend	2 hours	no tables/chairs/décor, no food or beverages	