



MAIN SEASON RATES |

April - November

Seated capacity: 180

WEEKDAY

Events ending before 4PM 5 hour rental

WEEKNIGHT

7 hour rental

WEEKEND

7 hour rental

2024

M-TH | \$1,500

M-TH | \$2,500

Friday / Saturday | \$5,500 Sunday | \$4,000 2025

M-TH | \$1,900

M-TH | \$2,900

Friday / Saturday | \$5,900 Sunday | \$4,800 2026

M-TH | \$2,300

M-TH | \$3,300

Friday / Saturday | \$6,300 Sunday | \$5,200

WINTER SEASON RATES

December - March

Seated capacity: 130

WEEKDAY

Events ending before 4PM 5 hour rental

WEEKNIGHT

7 hour rental

WEEKEND

7 hour rental

M-TH | \$1,300

M-TH | \$2,200

Friday / Saturday | \$3,500 Sunday | \$2,900 M-TH | \$1,700

M-TH | \$2,600

Friday / Saturday | \$3,900 Sunday | \$3,500 M-TH | \$2,100

M-TH | \$3,000

Friday / Saturday | \$4,300 Sunday | \$3,700

For more information on holiday pricing, please contact facilityrental@jbzoo.org or 616.336.4314.

WHAT WE OFFER

INCLUDED

Complimentary Guest Parking
On-Site and Transportation to and
from the Venue

No Parking Available at the Bissell Tree House for Guests Table and Chair Set-Up and Tear-Down

Venue Coordinator and Consultation Time



ADD-ONS

Ceremony: \$850 (Main Season), \$625 (Winter)
Located on back deck of Tree House (40 degrees or above).
Max 120 seated. Includes additional rental hour and chair set-up.

Additional Rental Hours: \$325 / hour

White Resin Arbor: \$100

Wooden Arbor: \$200

80 inch TVs: 1/\$200 or 2/\$300

Fireplace: \$100

Decor Heaters: \$75 / heater

Discounted Zoo Admission: \$12 / person

Meet & Greet Animals: \$200 / two animals

Please inquire for further information

Prices Only Valid for Current Year

BAR SERVICE PACKAGES

BEER, WINE & SODA

Choice of 2 beers and 3 wines Coca-Cola products included.

\$25 / PERSON

BEER

DOMESTIC | Budweiser, Bud Light, Miller Lite, Coors Light

SPECIALTY | Blue Moon, Bells Seasonal, Leinenkugel Seasonal, Non-alcoholic Beer, Seltzer

CRAFT | Founder's All Day IPA, Bell's Two Hearted, Perrin Black, Perrin Gold, Tandem Smackintosh Cider

WINE

RED | Cabernet, Merlot, Pinot Noir

WHITE | Chardonnay, Moscato, Pinot Grigio, Sauvignon Blanc

ROSÉ | White Zinfandel

SPARKLING | Champagne

HOUSE PACKAGE

Choice of 2 beers and 3 wines. House liquor and mixers included.

\$30 / PERSON

BEER

Includes 2 beer options from Beer Wine & Soda package.

WINE

Includes 3 wine options from Beer Wine & Soda package.

LIQUOR

House Vodka, Rum, Whiskey, Gin

PREMIUM PACKAGE

Choice of 2 beers and 3 wines. Premium liquor and mixers included.

\$35 / PERSON

BEER

Includes 2 beer options from Beer Wine & Soda package.

WINE

Includes 3 wine options from Beer Wine & Soda package.

LIQUOR

Bacardi Silver Rum, Bombay Gin, Captain Morgan Spiced Rum, Jameson Irish Whiskey, Maker's Mark Bourbon, Patron Tequila, Tito's Vodka

NOTES

All package pricing is for up to 4 hours of bar service. Each additional hour will be charged at \$5 per person.

Bar staff fees, 20% service charge, and 6% sales tax are not included in the per guest fee. Minors under 21 will be charged \$5 per guest.

The maximum bar service time is 6 hours. Service must end one half hour prior to the end of event time. No last call announcements are allowed.

John Ball Zoo does not offer cash or consumption model bar services.

John Ball Zoo is the exclusive bar service provider at all rental locations.

Bar service will have a minimum charge of 50 guests.

* All prices are subject to change from year to year.

EXCLUSIVE CATERERS

One of the following caterers is required for all food service, including appetizers and late night snacks.

APPLAUSE CATERING + EVENTS

applause-catering.net 616.940.0001

DONKEY TAQUERIA

donkeygr.com 616.350.4305

EL GRANJERO MEXICAN GRILL

elgranjeromexicangrill.com 616.458.5595

FORTY ACRES SOUL KITCHEN

www.fortyacresgr.com 616.723.9770

GILMORE CATERING

gilmore-catering.com 616.356.2627 x116

KANGAROO KITCHEN & CATERING

kangarookitchengr.com 616.451.6775

MARTHA'S CATERING

marthascatering.com 616.459.0116

NIBBLE + NOSH

nibbleandnoshgr.com 616.805.9232

THE CATERING COMPANY

tccogr.com 616.454.7475



RECOMMENDED VENDORS

The following are recommended but not required.

EVENT RENTALS

ALPINE EVENTS

616.396.7300 info@alpineevents.com

DADS TENT & PARTY RENTALS

616.863.8988 dadstents@gmail.com

SPECIAL OCCASIONS

616.826.7082 events@specialoccasionsmi.com

TRANSPORTATION

AFFORDABLE LIMO

616.299.1812 reservations@affordablelimogr.com

COFFEE & CONFECTIONS

LOVE'S ICE CREAM & CHOCOLATE

616.965.1054 events@lovesicecream.com

GRAND RAPIDS POPCORN

616.785.9080 x1028 jodi@grpopcorn.com

CLIQUE ESPRESSO

616.202.6250 cliqueespressocatering@gmail.com

DREAMSCAPE DESSERTS

Phone: 616.930.4030 jenna@dreamscapedesserts.com

NOTHING BUNDT CAKE

Phone: 616.734.6995 jenna@dreamscapedesserts.com

DAY-OF COORDINATION

COMPLETE WEDDINGS & EVENTS

616.957.4200 info@completemich.com

DJs & PHOTO BOOTHS

JM KATZ ENTERTAINMENT

269.567.8026 jmkatzentertainment@yahoo.com

MOMENTS IN TIME DJ

616.334.3110 info@mitdj.com

SMITTEN BOOTH

616.550.3567 hello@smittenbooth.com

THAT BOOTH

616.236.3103 booking@thatbooth.com

PHOTOGRAPHERS

COASTLINE STUDIOS

616.929.1888 Info@Coastline-Studios.com

TIBERIUS IMAGES

616.855.4079 russ@tiberiusimages.com

FLORISTS

EVENTS BY ICANDY

616.245.0773 x0 hello@eventsbyicandy.com

EASTERN FLORAL

616.949.2200 weddings@easternfloral.com

NOTES

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation for guests to and from the main Zoo parking lot and the Bissell Tree House is included and guaranteed for all private rentals.

Transportation will be in the form of the Funicular or John Ball Zoo's executive shuttles at our discretion. A specific mode is not quaranteed.

Both modes can transport roughly 25-30 guests per 10 minute round trip.

Guest transportation will begin at the start of the contracted rental time.

There will be no guest parking available at the Bissell Tree House.

DECORATIONS

All decorations must be free standing- nothing attached to the floor, wall, or ceiling is permitted.

Restrictions include: Open flame (candles must be in a container taller than the flame), balloons, rice, birdseed, artificial petals, confetti, flammable materials or live animals.

Refrigerated space is not available to store flowers, cake, etc.

Delivery, set up, and tear down must all occur within contracted rental hours.

All decorations must be cleared from the space at the end of allotted tear down time.

LIABILITY INSURANCE

If you'd like insurance coverage for your hosted event, there are liability insurance policies available for purchase through www.wedsafe.com for an additional fee.

Liability Insurance is not required, however John Ball Zoo is not liable for any damages or injuries incurred during rental.

GENERAL

No private changing room is provided for weddings.

All additional rental hours must be consecutive. All public Zoo areas will remain open and public until the end of normal Zoo operating hours. Renting the Bissell Tree House does not secure exclusive use of the entire Zoo facility. Other events may be taking place in the park or Zoo during your rental time.

John Ball Zoo is a non smoking site.

Appointments with coordinators are available Monday-Friday between 9:00am and 4:00pm.

No outside alcohol permitted.

Temperatures below 40°F may not have ceremony abilities outdoors.

Waterfall subject to availability.





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