



Dear Guests,

Congratulations on your engagement! Thank you for considering Christopher Creek Lodge as the site to host your wedding.

We are located 21 miles east of Payson and are the only lodge on the bank of spring fed Christopher Creek. At an altitude of 5,860 feet the grounds abound with ferns, oak, walnut, maple, the World's largest stand of ponderosa pine, fir, spruce, and wild grapevine. There is also an abundance of wildlife and other nearby wonders of nature.

This packet contains general information, site fees, rates for accommodations, and wedding service contacts.

Should you need further information please feel free to contact us at 928-478-4300, or email us at info@christophercreeklodge.com with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Christopher Creek Lodge

General Information

Décor/Entertainment

You are welcome to bring your own décor and entertainment. You will find a list of nearby florists, musical entertainers, photographers, wedding coordinators and more under Wedding Service Contacts. We ask that twine, wire, zip-ties or rope be used to hang decorations (versus nails, screws and staples that can damage trees and structures). If you are unsure of what may or may not be okay, please ask the lodge manager for clarification. We want to keep this place beautiful for years to come, and your help is greatly appreciated.

Deposits/Contracts

A deposit of 50% of the total cost of the reservation is required at the time of booking. The remaining balance is due 30 days prior to the scheduled check-in date.

Additionally, a refundable cleaning deposit of \$500 shall be charged to the primary host's reservation. The deposit is to ensure that all facilities are cleaned up and returned to their original condition after the event. The deposit is fully refundable if the lodge and the grounds are returned to the same condition as when the guests arrive. If lodge staff is required to clean up after an event, a charge up to the \$500 deposit amount will be assessed.

Cancellation Charge

Cancellations for special events and weddings, wherein four or more cabins, trail bunks, motel rooms, or other facilities are booked as part of one reservation, will be charged a cancellation fee of 10% of the full cost of the reservation if cancelled at least 60 days prior to the scheduled check-in date. If the cancellation is made 30-60 days prior to the scheduled check-in date, a cancellation fee of 50% of the full cost of the reservation will be assessed. If the reservation is cancelled fewer than 30 days prior to the arrival date, no refunds will be made.

Food & Beverage

You are welcome to bring food and beverages onto the property. You will find a list of nearby caterers under Food & Beverage.

Alcohol

Consumption of alcohol by persons under the age of 21 is unlawful and will be strictly enforced. You are welcome to bring alcoholic beverages onto the property. Any persons with the appearance of being overly intoxicated and/or disruptive to other guests on the property will be asked to leave.

DJ/Music/Entertainment

This is only allowed on property if your group has rented out the entire lodge. Without the entire lodge being booked we would need to find a different venue for the reception if DJ/Music/Entertainment is needed, as it would be disruptive to other guests. Certain exceptions might be able to be made, on a case-by-case basis. All DJ/Music/Entertainment to be shut down at 10:00PM (when quiet time begins).

Property

None of the equipment, fixtures, furniture, decorations or anything on the property is allowed to be moved without consent from our management. If management does approve anything to be moved or altered, then it must also be arranged to return everything to its original condition before departure.

Lodging

To reserve/hold a block of rooms, 50% of the total is due at the time of booking, with the remaining 50% due 30 days prior to your arrival. When your guests call to reserve and pay for their room separately, that room (and amount) can be deducted from your total amount due and any balance would be refunded back onto your card once everything is settled 30 days prior to your arrival.

Entire Lodge – (Includes 2-night stay for all cabins and rooms)

Rental of the entire lodge can be booked by contacting the lodge manager. Renting the entire lodge provides the use of 9 cabins, 9 trail bunk cabins, 6 motel rooms, the recreation room, the wedding site, the playground and ramada areas, and all other amenities available at the lodge. The pricing is all inclusive for all rooms and site amenities.

Renting the full lodge provides beds for 132 guests. Each unit provides the following beds:

Unit Type	No of Units	Beds Provided					Sleeping Capacity
		King Beds	Queen Beds	Full Beds	Full Bunk Beds	Twin Beds	
Cabin 1 (Founders)	1		2			4	8
Cabin 2	1	1				4	6
Cabin 3	1	1				4	6
Cabin 4	1	1				4	6
Cabin 5	1		1			4	6
Cabin 6	1		1			4	6
Cabin 8	1	1		2		2	8
Cabin 9	1	1		2		2	8
Cabin 10	1	1				4	6
Trail Bunk House	12				2		48
Motel Rooms	6		1			2	24
Total							<u>132</u>

The rates to rent the entire lodge are:

Peak Season (May 1st - Oct 31st and March 1st - 31st) - \$10,000 plus tax

OFF Peak Season (Nov 1st - Feb 28th and April 1st - 30th) - \$8000 plus tax

Partial Lodge

Rental of only a portion of the lodge is available online or by booking with the manager. If 50% or more of the lodge is reserved, a \$500 credit toward the rental of the Wedding Ceremony Site will be applied to the reservation. We can work with you to reserve certain areas of the lodge to allow your party some separation from other lodge guests.

Facility & Equipment Rental Fees

“On the Creek” Wedding Ceremony Site Fee (Typical Capacity 100 guests)

Peak Season (May 1st - Oct 31st and March 1st - 31st) \$1500

OFF Peak Season (Nov 1st - Feb 28th and April 1st - 30th) \$1000

If the entire lodge is reserved by your party for a 2-night stay, as described in the Lodging section above, the full cost of the site fee is waived.

If at least 50% of the lodge is reserved by your party, the Wedding Ceremony Site fee will be reduced by \$500.

Chair & Table Rentals

Chairs & tables for up to 100 guests can be rented for an additional \$500, which includes set up and take down.

Christopher Creek Lodge Policies:

WELCOME: First of all, we'd like to welcome you to the Christopher Creek Lodge. The lodge is comprised of real log cabins, and set right in the middle of the forest, with the creek running right through the property. We love our great guests and will do our very best to make your stay enjoyable! For over 60 years this historic lodge continues to be one of the most beautiful places in Arizona, and we want to keep it that way. We are not a campground, nor are we Caesars Palace. We aim to provide a peaceful and cozy getaway. For everyone's safety, comfort, and protection, we expect all guests to adhere to our essential, mandatory, super serious, must-read policies listed below. Okay, here goes:

CHECK PLEASE: The normal check-in time is 3:00PM, and checkout time is by 11:00AM; other times by prior arrangement. It is helpful if we know your approximate arrival time. We will do our best to fulfill any orders for early check-in (no Saturdays) and late checkout (no Fridays).

HOWDY NEIGHBOR: Having a good time is encouraged, but guests may not be disruptive to others. Please use common courtesy. If you suspect bad, discourteous or harmful behavior, please tell us. Community areas are for everyone to share, unless management has set them aside for a particular group or special use. Quiet time starts at 10:00PM, unless otherwise approved.

FIRE: All fires must be constantly supervised. (1) Indoor fireplaces can be used all year, but only Duraflame type logs are acceptable for use (traditional firewood is not allowed). Nothing can be cooked using indoor fireplaces (this includes s'mores). (2) The barbeque grill outside of each cabin is for use with charcoal only (no exceptions). (3) Campfires are allowed only in the three designated fire pits, which must be fully extinguished and clean before you leave it. Only Duraflame Campfire Roasting Logs are allowed, which you can bring, or which we sell. No outside firewood is to be used or gathered off the property. (4) If the forest is on fire restriction then no outside fires are allowed, including charcoal (even if it's raining). (5) Fireworks are never allowed!

HOLY SMOKES: There is NO smoking in any of the units. There is a \$500 charge for any discovery of inside smoking. You can smoke outside, but you must be 20ft from any door or window. Please be respectful of others, extra cautious as we're in the woods, and do not litter our beautiful lodge with your butts. If we are on fire restriction, smoking is only permitted inside of a closed automobile.

YOUR HORSE (or whatever you drive): Each unit is assigned parking pass. Additional vehicles will need to obtain an extra pass for the visitor parking area (limited spots). Boats or trailers must be parked outside the lodge as parking is tight.

DON'T TAKE, HURT OR MOVE THAT: Theft of any kind (pillows, towels, dishes, etc.) is not allowed. Do not "carve" anything! We charge and/or prosecute for any theft or unreported damage. Please do not move any items (ie. inside furniture, picnic tables, TVs, landscaping rocks/stumps) without permission from management. All rooms receive a post-occupancy inspection and by booking a reservation you acknowledge responsibility for any damages or theft incurred during your stay, which will be charged to your credit card.

IT'S A POTTY: The septic system demands that we be cautious of what we discard into kitchen drains and toilets. A list of nonacceptable items is posted above the toilet. Basically, you can flush a little bit of toilet paper down and that's about it. When in doubt, don't. Nobody likes a backed-up septic.

GOING GREEN: We do not provide daily housekeeping, and guests are expected to hang and reuse their towels during their stay. Also, please help us conserve energy while you're away by turning down heaters or closing windows depending on the time of year.

COME AND GET IT: Equipment rentals like binoculars, handheld GPS, telescopes, sleds, etc are limited in supply. We do our best to accommodate as many as we can.

OUR CRITTERS: There are skunks, raccoons, mice, bears, elk, deer and various birds of prey, including some extra friendly squirrels and blue jays in our forest. Please be cautious and be sure to seal trash securely in our covered trash bins.

YOUR CRITTERS: The pet-friendly units are Trail Bunks 7, 8 & 9, and Pioneer's Cabins 8, 9 & 10. Only pets that are well behaved, friendly and supervised are allowed at the lodge. Pets must be leashed when outside due to safety concerns and in accordance with the state's leash law. Pets must immediately be cleaned up after. Pets are not allowed on beds or furniture. Pets are not

allowed to be left alone in cabins, unless crated and only then for a very brief time. Maximum of 2 pets per unit, and 50 lbs per pet.

OUTSIDERS: A discovery fee of \$250 per occurrence will be added for any undisclosed people or pets.

GUNS: No guns are allowed on the property without a license (except for management, of course). Paintball, Airsoft and BB guns are not to be used on the property and we need to be told if you have any. All firearms must be disclosed to the office manager upon arrival.

THAT'S FISHY: Fishing is allowed on the property. Anyone 10 and older will need a license, which can be obtained here in town. No cleaning of fish inside the rooms. For your convenience we have an outside fish cleaning sink for use.

LET'S KEEP IT CLEAN FOLKS: Guests are expected to do some minimal housekeeping and exercise care of their room. All cleaning is handled by our wonderful hard workers once a guest has departed. If the place is left a mess an additional minimum \$50 fee will be assessed. Please do your part to help keep the property nice.

WHEN IN DOUBT: If you're not sure whether you can or can't do something, please don't! Not until you have talked with the lodge manager to be sure. For all our great guests, we want to make sure the lodge stays beautiful, safe, enjoyable and affordable for years to come. It takes all of us to make that happen.

CAVEAT EMPTOR (Yep, that's Latin): We expect all guests to follow the good general rule of leaving a place better than you found it. This is a rustic environment. As such, guests are responsible for taking care of themselves and their dependents. We are not liable for any accidents, injuries or loss of any kind.

CANCELLATION POLICY: We understand that plans occasionally change and will work with you to accommodate changes according to the following cancellation policy. If you need to cancel for any reason and you notify us of the cancellation no fewer than 10 days prior to your scheduled check-in date, we will refund you the full amount of your reservation, less a 10% cancellation fee to cover credit card and admin fees. If you choose to cancel your reservation fewer than 10 days prior to your scheduled check-in date, we are happy to provide you a credit for the full amount of your reservation. That credit is good for one year from your originally-scheduled check-in date. If this credit is not used within one year of the originally-scheduled check-in date, the credit will be forfeited.

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EARLY DEPARTURES: In the event you choose to check out prior to the scheduled check-out date in your reservation, you will not be refunded any portion of your reservation. However, under certain circumstances, management may, at its sole discretion, provide a credit for the unused portion of the reservation. If management elects to provide a credit for the unused portion of the reservation, management will specify the expiration date of the credit, which shall not be later one year from the original check-in date. If the credit is not used prior to the expiration date set at the time the credit is granted, the credit will be forfeited.

If you have any questions or concerns, please ask prior to making a reservation. All reservations are charged in full at the time of booking. We reserve the right to refuse service.

Thank you very much for your business and we look forward to your arrival!

By signing below, you acknowledge:

- 1. Having read and are agreeing to the above lodge policies regarding weddings and guests.**
- 2. Agreeing to provide a copy of the above policies to guests attending your wedding.**
- 3. Agreeing to fully indemnify the lodge, the company, the owners, and any associated workers from any liability.**
- 4. That the lodge and other associated vendors are not responsible for inclement weather and associated consequences.**
- 5. That you have had a chance to properly inspect the property, rooms, and personnel at that you deem all satisfactory.**
- 6. You understand that ultimately you are responsible for your wedding.**

Bride Signature _____

Date _____

Bride Name (Printed) _____

Groom Signature _____

Date _____

Groom Name (Printed) _____

Wedding Services Providers

**(Contacts are not endorsed or sponsored by the lodge but are provided for your convenience.
Please interview and do your own research before hiring.)**

Catering

Creekside Steakhouse & Tavern - Missy 480-234-4328

Coordinator/Planner

Enchanted Occasion - Susan Jacobson 928-978-2463 www.AnEnchantedOccasion.com

Photographers

Brian Minson Photography - 928-358-9822 www.minsonweddings.com

Jessica Bills Photography - 951-990-6884 www.jessicabills.com

Flat Rate Photography - 623-547-1949 / 623-695-1846 www.flatratephotography.com

Florist

The Vintage Roost and Floral Boutique - 928-363-4080

Rim Country Flowers - 928-363-1674

Kim's Flower Patch Florist - 928-478-6077

Cakes

Kendra's Country Bakery - 928-478-4696 <https://www.facebook.com/kendrascountrybakery/>

Safeway - 928-472-8208

DJ's

DJ Craig - 928-468-1482 www.djcraiginpayson.com

Mr. Music Karaoke & DJ - 928-892-9065 mr_music_karaoke@yahoo.com

Spa, Beauty & Massage

Payson Hair Company - 928-474-9101

Atmosphere Nail Salon and Day Spa - 928-474-4793

From Head to Toe Essentials Salon and Spa - 928-474-0700