MIDDLETOWN PLACE
NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK

Weddings
Welcome...

to Middleton Place National Historic Landmark, a carefully preserved 18th century plantation and America's oldest formal landscaped gardens. Live oaks draped in swags of Spanish moss, the house museum built in 1755 and a beautiful landscape with sculpted terraces and blooming color, combine to provide an unforgettable setting. Enhanced by the French inspired formal surroundings, your wedding at Middleton Place will be enriched with warmth, a sense of the past, and attention to every detail.

The stunning outdoor venues overlooking the Ashley River and rice fields provide a variety of ceremony locations. Whether you are planning an intimate, gathering or grand affair, the staff will assist you in selecting a location tailored to your specific needs.

Chef Chris Lukic and his banquet team at the Middleton Place Restaurant take great pride in creating delicious menus that utilize the freshest local ingredients, staying true to Charleston's culinary heritage. Two-time Platinum Partners in the Sustainable Seafood Initiative, the Middleton Place Chefs also enjoy preparing produce from the on-site certified organic farm. Whether you are planning a wedding weekend filled with a rehearsal dinner Oyster Roast in the plantation Stableyards, a bridal luncheon in the gardens, a family dinner in the Cypress Room or a wedding reception in the Pavilion, Middleton Place can provide a memorable celebration.

MIDDLETON PLACE Special Group Services
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Venues

1. **Secret Gardens**
   Consisting of two hidden garden rooms, the larger of the two is embellished with four marble statues representing the four seasons. Permanent tent anchors installed by the Skyline Tent Company allow for the installation of a full reception tent. Alternatively, enjoy a Spring cocktail hour surrounded by Azaleas, Dogwoods, and embellished by a Chinese Fringe Tree.

2. **Inner Gardens**
   A perfect location for cocktail hour surrounded by pathways encouraging your guests to explore and enjoy the natural beauty or visit the mute swans in the nearby Reflection Pool. The Inner gardens may also accommodate up to 32’ round tents on all four sides of the holly trees.
3 **The Mount Garden**
This sunken garden overlooking the Azalea Pond is a serene location nestled next to the wood nymph statue and is a wonderful location for garden party bridal luncheons or intimate tented receptions of up to 60 guests.

4 **Middleton Oak**
The grand Middleton Oak in the Sundial Garden is estimated to be over 900 years old. With the historic flooded rice fields, Ashley River, and marshes in the background, the majestic live oak contrasts beautifully with the manicured gardens.

5 **Octagonal Garden**
Adjacent to the Middleton Oak, the sunken Octagonal Garden is adorned with carefully manicured Japanese boxwoods, and a central marble birdbath. Ceremonies frequently take place underneath the spreading branches of the northern live oak tree or you may prefer to be married in the center of the garden surrounded by your family and friends. The Octagonal Garden is also an ideal location for cocktail hour.

6 **Parterre**
The premier location that forms the centerpiece of Henry Middleton's formal gardens, the Parterre overlooks the terraces that roll down to the iconic Butterfly Lakes and the majestic Ashley River beyond. Framed by Garden walks, the wedding party takes its place between two classical marble urns at the apex of the site. Or, consider the expansive lawn as a setting for a cocktail hour prior to your ceremony.
Cypress Room & Courtyard
For private dinners, bridal luncheons, or rehearsal dinners, the Cypress Room located at the Middleton Place Restaurant provides a warm and welcoming atmosphere for up to 32 guests. Begin the evening with hors d’oeuvres in the adjacent private courtyard overlooking the House Museum and Greensward followed by an intimate dinner inside.

Plantation Stableyards
A unique location with a more casual atmosphere, the brick barn and outbuildings are home to heritage breeds, craftsmen workshops, and a flock of peacocks and guinea hens. Enjoy a casual rehearsal dinner or cocktail hour as your guests visit the water buffalo, guinea hogs, sheep, goats, and a number of other working animals.

Crane Pool
Overlooking the Mill Pond, Spring House, and half-moon bridge, guests enjoy over 30,000 azaleas planted on the Azalea Hillside. Summer and Fall guests are sheltered by the majestic live oak trees draped with Spanish moss and cooled by the soft breeze. The Crane Pool can accommodate up to 200 guests for ceremonies or cocktail hour.
The Pavilion boasts panoramic views of the Greensward and grand live oak trees. The versatility of the Pavilion allows for a variety of dining options with plenty of room for entertainment and dancing. Adjacent tents may be placed on the front lawn or over the northern patio with the permanent anchors.
Plan a Wedding Weekend

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In addition to breathtaking ceremony, cocktail hour, and reception locations at the National Historic Landmark, your guests may also enjoy relaxing accommodations at the adjacent 54 room Inn at Middleton Place. Plan the perfect Wedding Weekend: from a welcoming picnic, to a rehearsal dinner at the Lake House, kayaking the Ashley River, your guests have access to all the points of interest that make Middleton Place so fascinating. The Inn is also available for wedding ceremonies and receptions at a reduced rate.

Please visit www.theinnatmiddletonplace.com for additional information.

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