



# Private Events and Rentals

At the San Antonio Botanical Garden





## Set your special occasion apart by celebrating at the San Antonio Botanical Garden

Conveniently located minutes from downtown San Antonio, this 39 acre urban oasis offers you and your guests an escape from the hustle and bustle of the city life to a peaceful world of beauty and wonder.

Recognized nationally for its commitment to outstanding displays, botanical diversity, education, environmental stewardship, and experiences that connect people to the natural world, the Garden is a top San Antonio attraction that serves as a museum of plants, a tranquil escape, a living classroom, a research and conservation facility, and entertainment venue where art, architecture, music and theater experiences come to life.

**Ready to plan your special event?**

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## Venue Pricing



**The Betty Kelso Center**

**250+ guests**  
 Sun-Wed | \$4,000+  
 Thurs | \$7,500+  
 Fri | \$9,500+  
 Sat | \$11,500+  
 Morning and Afternoon



**Carriage House**

**50+ guests**  
 Mon-Sun | \$1,250+  
*Dining Room & Patio*  
 Morning and Afternoon



**Lucille Halsell Conservatory**

**100-200 guests**  
 Mon-Sun | \$4,500+  
**200-400 guests**  
 Mon-Sun | \$5,500+  
 Afternoon Only



**Historic Amphitheater**

**20-100 guests**  
 Mon-Sun | \$2,500+  
 Morning and Afternoon



**HEB Discovery Classrooms**

**15-80 guests**  
 A or B Daytime | Mon-Sun - \$575+  
 A or B Evening | Mon-Sun \$1,250+  
 A & B Daytime | Mon-Sun \$1,000+  
 A & B Evening | Mon-Sun \$2,500+



**Wisteria Arbor**

**10-50 guests**  
 Mon-Thurs | \$750+  
 Fri-Sun | \$1,500+  
**50-100 guests**  
 Mon-Thurs | \$1,500+  
 Fri-Sun | \$2,000+  
 Morning Only

**Auld House & Patio**

**10-40 guests**  
 Mon-Thurs | \$500+  
 Fri-Sun | \$950+  
 Morning and Afternoon

**Oasis**

**10-50 guests**  
 Mon-Thurs | \$500+  
 Fri-Sun | \$950+  
 Morning Only

**Overlook**

**1-10 guests**  
 Mon-Sun | \$400+  
 Morning Only

**Kumamoto En**

**1-10 guests**  
 Mon - Sun \$400+  
 Morning and Afternoon

**Sacred Garden**

**1-10 guests**  
 Mon-Sun | \$550+  
 Morning Only

**East Texas Pineywoods**

**1-10 guests**  
 Mon-Sun | \$400+  
 Morning Only

Daytime | 8:00am-12:00pm  
 Evening | 12:00pm-11:00pm  
 Holiday and Peak Day pricing may apply



# Birthday Parties At the Garden



**Prickly Pear Pavilion**

**\$440 (\$396 Members)**

In the heart of the new Family Adventure Garden, use this as home base while your guests explore all the fun outdoor playscapes.



**HEB Discovery Classroom**

**\$650 (\$585 Members)**

Large indoor room with AC/Heat. Classroom includes Patio for extra activities.

## Guidelines

- Children's parties are Saturday or Sunday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. or 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
- The security deposit and rental deposit must be made at the time of reservation.
- Any unused security balance will be returned no later than 30 days after the event.
- Proper adult supervision is required at all times during the birthday party.
- Guests may bring in their own cake, ice cream, and non-alcoholic beverages. Only approved caterers can deliver to the Garden, but you may bring other food in during your setup time.





# Birthday Party FAQ's

## Cool Party Spots

### Where are the party rooms located?

- Prickly Pear Pavilion (Outdoor) - \$440 (non-members) / \$396 (members)
- HEB Discovery Classroom (Indoor) - \$650 (non-members) / \$585 (members)

Secure space with a refundable security deposit of \$150.00 and half of the rental fee, pay the balance 21 days before. If the party is booked three (3) weeks prior to the event, the amount to be paid in full.

### What times are available?

Operating hours for No-Name Creek are 9:00am -1:00pm. Closed during months of November-February. Subject to city water restrictions.

## A.M. Birthday Schedule

Start time	End time	Function
9:30 AM	10:00 AM	Setup
10:00 AM	12:00 AM	Event time
12:00 PM	12:30 PM	Teardown

## P.M. Birthday Schedule

Start time	End time	Function
12:30 PM	1:00 PM	Setup
1:00 PM	3:00 PM	Event time
3:00 PM	3:30 PM	Teardown

## Food And Beverage

### Can I bring my own food?

Feel free to bring your own food and drinks. (No outside alcohol or glass is allowed)

*Beverage packages are available upon request.*

### Can we use candles for the cake?

Yes, if they do not exceed 4 inches in length and are made of wax. Sparkler candles and candles that produce excessive smoke or high flames are prohibited.

### What do I need to bring?

The San Antonio Botanical Garden does not supply any paper goods or utensils for the standard party package. Plan to bring your own party décor, plates, cups, napkins, forks/spoons/knives, and any serving utensils that you will need.

## Party Rooms And Set Up

### Can I see the party rooms prior to making a reservation?

Of course! We can schedule a site visit. (upon availability)

### How do I get supplies to/from my car?

Parking can be found in Lot A. (reserved parking not provided). Unloading and loading are not permitted in the bus drop-off zone. Wheeled carts are available for use. Please contact our birthday party hostess when you arrive at the Kiosk for assistance.



# Birthday Party FAQ's

## **Am I allowed to decorate my party space?**

Absolutely! Any décor you prefer must be self-standing. The San Antonio Botanical Garden does not allow the use of confetti, glitter, silly string, tacks, pushpins, and/or nails in the party spaces. Decorations cannot be hung from the ceiling, light fixtures or any other equipment mounted or taped on the walls or ceiling. Decorations may not be hung outside the party spaces. Consider bringing an extra adult to help you decorate and set-up your space or to watch your children while you do so. Any damage to walls or fixtures will be charged to the guest.

## **Can I bring helium balloons?**

Yes, you may bring helium balloons to decorate the party spaces. Balloons must be tied to weight. Balloons may not be distributed to party guests or released. All balloons are allowed in the party space but not permitted throughout The San Antonio Botanical Garden.

## **Can I bring in a face painter, balloon artist or Character?**

Yes, we encourage character performers to change into and out of their costumes at The San Antonio Botanical Garden. A family restroom is available adjacent to the party rooms. Please ask us about vendor load-in and load-out.

## **What if I arrive late?**

If you are running late, please call The San Antonio Botanical Garden at (210) 536-1400 so we can tell the birthday team. Because other parties may be booked after your allotted time, we cannot extend your reserved time if you are late.

A 72-hour notice is required for any schedule changes.

## **Guest**

### **How many guests are included in my party package?**

Your party package includes up to 30 admissions for a single party space. If the guest count exceeds 30, the client will be billed within 30 days after the event. Not to exceed 50.

### **If I am a member or my guests are members, are they counted towards the 25?**

Yes. All attendees are included in the guest count

### **Where do my guests and I check in for the birthday party?**

Plan to check in at The San Antonio Botanical Garden's kiosk 30 minutes before your party start time. Guests will also check in at the front kiosk at your scheduled party time.

### **What if my guests arrive before me?**

You and your guests are welcome to visit from the time The San Antonio Botanical Garden opens to the time it closes on the day of your celebration. All guests must check in at the front kiosk. Please encourage your guests to allow time to check in before the party starts. Reserve party spaces will not be open until contracted time.

## **Special Notes About Birthday Parties**

Tobacco products, cigarettes, e-cigarettes, firearms and outside alcoholic beverages are **strictly prohibited** at The San Antonio Botanical Garden. The Garden is private property and cannot be used for private birthday parties or events without reservations.

- Tables outside the party spaces cannot be used for your party. The San Antonio Botanical Garden is not reliable for theft or damage of personal property during your visit.



# Cash Bar

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**Wine - \$8.00**

**Beer - \$5.00**

**Mixed Drink - \$10.00**

**Soft Drinks - \$2.00**

Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Water Bottles

*Alcohol products may vary*

## Beer & Wine Menu

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**Wine to Include:**

House Red Wine

House White Wine

*Products May Vary, Guaranteed Red and White Options*

**Beer to Include :**

Highwheel Betty Kolsch, Michelob Ultra, Modelo, Pacifico

*Additional complimentary options may be provided based on availability*

**\$18.00 per person**

## Full Bar Menu

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**Spirits to Include:**

Tito's Vodka, Dripping Springs Gin, Devils River Bourbon,

Balcones Whiskey, Lalo Tequila, Zapaca Rum

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**Mixers:**

Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Club Soda, Tonic Water, Orange Juice, Cranberry Juice, Bloody Mary

Mix, Margarita Mix, Limes, Oranges, Salt, Tajin

**\$26.00 per person**

Bartenders - \$275 ea. - (1) recommended per (50) guests

All invoices subject to 12% Admin Fee and 8.25% State Sales Tax

For more information and special requests please contact your assigned Sales Rep or

Joshua Peña | Sales and Beverage Manager | [jpena@sabot.org](mailto:jpena@sabot.org)



# Garden Catering List

Thanks for choosing the San Antonio Botanical garden for your event! Our trusted vendors will set you up for success and ensure your guests have the best experience.

## Approved Food Vendors

<b>Absolutely Delicious Catering</b>	210.342.2321	absolutelydelicious.com
<b>Anne Marie's Catering</b>	210.545.2249	annemaries.com
<b>Black Tie Affairs Catering</b>	210.226.9881	blacktieaffairscatering.com
<b>Don Strange of Texas, Inc.</b>	210.434.2331	donstrange.com
<b>Heavenly Gourmet Catering</b>	210.496.9090	heavenlyg.com
<b>Page Barteau Catering</b>	210.821.5371	pagebarteaucatering.com
<b>Rosemary's Catering</b>	210.223.2680	rosemaryscatering.com
<b>Spice of Life</b>	210.366.1220	spiceoflivesa.com
<b>Tim the Girl</b>	210.439.0030	timthegirl.com
<b>True Flavors Catering</b>	210.226.3670	trueflavors.com
<b>Dos Perros Coffee</b>	210.413.4202	dosperroscoffee.com
<b>Jimmy Lyn's Catering</b>	210.618.4063	jimmylynns.net



# Rentals Add-Ons

## Interactive Educational Experience

### Guided Tours

Explore the Garden with one of our Exhibition, Native Plants, or General Garden tours led by our education team. Enjoy a one-hour curated route for groups of 15 to 20 with built in photo moments and engaging stories at every stop.

**\$10 per person**

*Staggered tours for larger groups available*

### Bonsai or Succulent Planting

Invite your group to create a small living piece as they choose a bonsai or succulent and pot it with step by step guidance from our education team. We supply everything from the plant and pot to soil and staff!

Everyone leaves with a polished, low maintenance keepsake for a desk or windowsill.

**Rate TBD based on group size and materials**

## Event Services

### Team Building

These garden-based sessions get people out of the day-to-day with guided activities that strengthen trust, communication, and collaboration. Participants rotate through approachable challenges with light coaching and quick debriefs, turning fun moments into practical tools they can use back at work. The format also adapts for wedding parties, helping bridesmaids and groomsmen break the ice and set a positive tone.

**\$20 per person**

### Couples Retreat

A calm, garden-side session to pause together and align on goals, hopes, and expectations before the big day.

This includes gentle activities and guided discussion to encourage honest conversation, shared vision, and a little laughter. You will leave with practical communication tools and a positive, grounded tone for the wedding and the years ahead.

**\$350 per session**

### Certified Officiant

A personalized, streamlined ceremony ordained by a certified Officiant who keeps things warm and on time. Ideal for intimate celebrations with a clear one-hour booking window.

**\$350 per session**

## Culinary Experience

### Garden-to-Table Culinary Experience

Step into the San Antonio Botanical Garden's one-acre Culinary Garden for a private, seasonal experience designed just for your group. Guided by our chefs, guests will harvest fresh ingredients and take part in a hands-on cooking activity centered around one signature recipe. This dish becomes the highlight of the event, complimented by additional chef-prepared bites that showcase the flavors of the season. Perfect for groups seeking a 1-2 hour interactive culinary adventure, this experience blends garden-fresh inspiration with memorable tastes shared together.

**Duration: 1-2 hours**

**Price: \$55 per person**

**Group size: 20-40 guests**

### Immersive Garden Culinary Class

Gather with friends or colleagues in the San Antonio Botanical Garden's Outdoor Teaching Kitchen for a private, themed culinary adventure. Led by our garden chefs, guests will explore techniques and flavors through a mix of hands-on cooking and chef demonstrations. Together, you'll prepare dishes that highlight the season's freshest ingredients, then come together to enjoy them family-style.

Perfect for groups seeking a more in-depth, shared experience, this class blends interactive learning with the joy of garden-inspired dishes.

**Duration: 2-3 hours**

**Price: \$90 per person**

**Group size: 20-40 guests**