

Venue Guide

SITES FOR GUEST LISTS OF EVERY SIZE

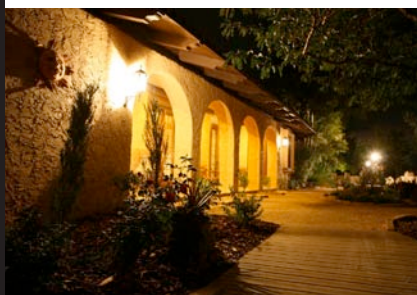
Colorado has no shortage of fantastic wedding venues, and narrowing down your choices is a tough task. But once you've determined the size of your guest list, the process becomes infinitely more manageable. We checked in with two top planners for their picks for the best wedding venues based on guest-list size and where they're located.

Under 100 guests

DENVER VENUES

with Julie Gambrell of Classic Creations

Villa Parker "This gorgeous Mediterranean-style estate, located about twenty minutes south of downtown, provides an intimate setting for couples who want the private feel of a home wedding. There's a charming garden for the ceremony,



a delightful terrace for the cocktail hour, and plenty of space inside for an elegant sit-down dinner and, of course, for dancing and celebrating."

EAGLE COUNTY VENUES

with JoAnn Moore of Mountains and Meadows, LLC

The Club at Cordillera, Edwards "The Club's Timber Hearth Grille offers outstanding food and wine in an elegant mountain setting. A large fireplace at the center of the dining room creates a warm, cozy ambience. The Club also owns



two smaller clubhouses nearby, The Summit and The Trailhead, that are great for an outdoor ceremony. Both have lawns with amazing views."

100-200 guests

JW Marriott Denver at Cherry Creek "This hotel is consistently fabulous. The catering is delicious, and the two ballrooms are elegant and spacious. But the real draw is the outdoor terrace. It's adaptable to all weather conditions, and incredibly versatile, décor-wise. I'm able to transform it into a completely different space every time I design an event there."



Beano's Cabin, Beaver Creek "This rustic yet stylish log cabin on Beaver Creek Mountain has a lovely lawn area for outdoor ceremonies—the trees look especially stunning in the fall. For the reception, I usually tent the restaurant's outdoor deck and make it the dance floor. Couples should keep in mind that transportation is needed to get guests up and down the mountain."



200+ guests

The Donald R. Seawell Grand Ballroom "Inside the Denver Performing Arts Complex is this truly dramatic pentagon-shaped ballroom, which can seat up to eight hundred guests. The space is unique—it has a remarkable ceiling that twinkles with thousands of fiber-optic lights, and your guests will enjoy the breathtaking panoramic views of the Front Range."



Donovan Pavilion, Vail "Unlike many other mountain venues, which are accessible only by tricky mountain roads, this spot is easy to reach from the interstate. The airy space is a blank canvas, adaptable to any style of wedding décor. So although



couples will have to bring in their own vendors, they won't have to work around bold carpeting or boring drapery and linens—which can be worth it."

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