

Uncork the Good Life



Weddings 2010

Von Jakob Vineyard welcomes you and yours. We are “Little Germany” located in the Shawnee National Forest hills in the Illinois Ozarks. Von Jakob offers an amazing countryside atmosphere at both our original vineyard location in Pomona and our newest orchard location in Alto Pass. We now have 20 acres of apples and 6 acres of peaches to our already standing and producing 10 acres of grapes. Visit our tasting rooms with over 20 varieties of award-winning wines, and our gift shops which have a little something for everyone. You can enjoy the panoramic view as you relax on our decks, (covered and uncovered) or inside our atrium. Enjoy our stone fireplaces and fire pits indoors and outdoors for your warmth. You can walk through our vines and orchard, to the pond, and enjoy God’s countryside. The love of wine will get you here, our hospitality and tranquility will invite you to stay.

Let us help to make your special event an occasion of a lifetime. At any time of the year, any season, Von Jakob offers a unique view of Southern Illinois. We are equipped for all seasons. We have coordinated over 300 weddings and can plan the event as casual or as formal as you desire. Our wedding coordinator can take the pressure off of you and plan an enjoyable sit-down dinner or buffet and conduct a nicely coordinated ceremony and reception. Von Jakob Vineyard has in-house chefs to prepare not only what is available on our already- extensive menu, but almost anything else you have in mind. A meal should not only complement the wines, but also the atmosphere and mood one is trying to achieve. All of our extraordinary meals are served on china with silverware. Water is served in water glasses, tea in goblets, and our award-winning wines are served in tasteful wine glasses. It is always the little things that will make your special event memorable. If you book with us, you can expect the highest quality of professionalism and class. Our prices reflect the services we provide, and anything less would not be acceptable by our standards. What separates us from all other venues, is that we care! Serious inquiries, please contact:

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Special Events Coordinator
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Both the bride and groom MUST BE 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER on or before the day of the event.

Hours of Operation

The winery will be open during its regular business hours. However, the ballroom is restricted to your guests only.

Receptions should last up to 6 hours, beginning one half-hour before the ceremony. If you decide this time will not suffice, each additional hour is \$100.00. If the ceremony isn't applicable, there is a 5 hour limit. *(This does not include decorating time and pictures.)*

Rehearsals must begin no later than 5 p.m. and will only run until 6 p.m. *(When booking your rehearsal dinner, please consult coordinator for appropriate times for dinner to begin.)*

Events with bands/DJ's, etc. cannot extend past 8 p.m. if the band plays outdoors, 10 p.m. indoors. This is due to a noise ordinance and respect for our neighbors.

Rental and Operational Fees

A \$1,200.00 NON-REFUNDABLE fee is required to reserve your date. This is your room rental fee. Your date is not secure until Von Jakob Vineyard, Ltd. has received payment.

Your room rental fee includes: a bridal food-tasting; chairs for up to 200 guests; banquet and round tables; white linens; china, silverware and glassware service for up to 350 guests; registry, gift and cake tables; plates and napkins for your cake; coffee and tea; set-up and clean-up; and to alleviate a huge part of your stress— a coordinated reception. White chairs or white chair covers may be rented (along with many other items) if our available selection is not what you have in mind.

When having your ceremony at our location, there is an additional \$500.00 fee to reserve our site for your wedding ceremony.

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A coordinated rehearsal and ceremony is included. Also included are (x150) chairs; set-up and clean-up on the site. Again, chairs may also be rented if our available stock is not what you prefer.

For a sit-down dinner, there is a fee of \$15/per hour for 1 server to every 25 guests. For a buffet dinner, there is a fee of \$15/per hour for 1 server to every 50 guests. In addition, you will be responsible for 1 bartender per 50 guests at an hourly fee of \$15. All service staff will be kept for a minimum of 4 hours. *(Each service staff member and bartender costs \$60 for the evening. For example, you can estimate a wedding of 200 guests for a sit-down dinner to use 8 service staff, at 4 hours each, totaling \$480. For a wedding of 200 guests for a buffet-style dinner, you can estimate 4 service staff at 4 hours each, totaling \$240).*

There is an additional 18% gratuity and 6.25% sales tax added to your bill, no exceptions.

Please understand that all prices are subject to change, depending on market value, the time your deposit is paid, and at what time your menu is chosen. For those booking over a year in advance, prices on food and alcohol will change.

Guests and Catering

Von Jakob does all catering in-house (with the exception of wedding cakes). If you would like us to cut your wedding cake, our fee is \$50.00. For us to cut and serve the cake, the fee is \$100.00.

ATTENTION! Someone who DOES NOT have a Food-handling and Safety & Sanitation License MAY NOT bring in food or snacks of any kind. *If you would like a particular food/beverage item available for your guests (i.e. chocolates, pretzels, mixed nuts, lemonade, soft drinks, sparkling juices, sparkling wines, etc.) please let us know so that we may provide them for you. No exceptions!*

An extensive detailed hors d'oeuvre, soup, salad and entrée menu will be provided at your consultation meeting with your coordinator. *We will not accommodate an "hors d'oeuvres only" event.*

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For events numbering 51-99 guests, there is a minimum food purchase of \$2,000.00 on food only. Events numbering 100-174, there is a minimum food purchase of \$2,500.00 on food only. This does not include the room rental fee, taxes or gratuities. Events numbering less than 50 guests will be evaluated on an individual basis to determine the minimum food purchase.

Catering Menu

Please Note:

Prices Subject to Change for 2010 based on Market Price and Availability

All entrees include 2 sides, 1 salad and fresh baked rolls.

*add \$1/guest for particular side/salad items.

PASTA

Sicilian-Stuffed Shells \$15

Meat Lasagna \$15

Vegetarian Lasagna \$15

BEEF

German Beef \$15

Ribeye \$18

Filet Mignon \$20

Prime Rib \$20

PORK

Stuffed Pork Loin \$16

Pork Steak \$15

Doc's BBQ Ribs \$15

FISH & SEAFOOD (prices vary seasonably)

Catfish *deep fried or grilled* \$15

Lobster Tail \$19

Whole Lobster \$22

Salmon \$20

Other Types of Fish Available by Request

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VEGETARIAN

Stuffed Portabella Mushroom Caps \$15
Vegetarian Lasagna \$15
Other options by request

CHICKEN

Barbeque Chicken \$15
Garlic Grilled Chicken \$15
Von Jakob Grilled Chicken \$15
Smoked Chicken \$15
Forty Garlic Chicken \$15
Broccoli/Cheese-Stuffed Chicken Breast \$16
Chicken Kiev \$16

FOWL

Cornish Hens \$16
Duck Breast \$18

LAMB

Lamb Chops \$18
Leg of Lamb \$18
Rack Of Lamb \$21

SIDES

Country-Style Mixed Vegetables
Fingerling Potatoes*
Diced Cheesy Potatoes
Garlic Mashed Potatoes
Roasted Garlic Potatoes
Twice-Baked Potato
German Potato Salad
Mustard Potato Salad
Rice Pilaf Von Jakob
Saffron Rice*
Baked Beans
Country-Style Green Beans
Other vegetables are available by request

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SALADS

Von Jakob Spring Salad w/our Homemade Red-Oak-Port Vinaigrette
Tossed Salad w/choice of Italian, Ranch or French
Caesar Salad*
Strawberry & Raspberry Salad* *seasonal*

HORS D'OEUVRES

Cajun Drummies.....\$3	Cheese & Cracker Tray.....\$3	Smoked Salmon.....\$5
Creole-Stuffed Eggs.....\$4	Homemade Breadsticks.....\$3	Honey Wings.....\$3
Fruit Dish <i>In-season</i>\$5	Egg Rolls.....\$4	Hot Wings.....\$3
Country-Stuffed Mushrooms..\$5	Vegetable Tray.....\$3	Meat Tray.....\$3
	Swedish Meatballs.....\$3	

Vendor Information

If you decide to book your special event with us, we will be happy to recommend all of the necessities, including: photographer, baker, florist, decorator, entertainment, and any rental needs, etc. We are also happy to book any of these vendors for you.

Wine/Liquor Regulations

You must purchase one case (12 bottles of wine) minimum for every 50 guests. On average, a case of wine is approximately \$120 plus taxes and gratuities. However you will receive a generous wine discount on your case purchases.

Other alcohol is available upon request. Von Jakob Vineyard, Ltd. will be happy to supply other spirits or beer in addition to your wine selection.

NO OUTSIDE LIQUOR IS ALLOWED TO BE BROUGHT ON PREMISES. If you choose to have other alcohol at your event, Von Jakob Vineyard, Ltd. must supply it. Unopened wine is the only alcohol that may be taken from our premises. Sorry, but NO exceptions.

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Decorations

Decorating may begin on the day before the event at 10 a.m., UNLESS an event was previously scheduled prior to yours. If you need additional days, it will be \$100/per day.

Please note: No faux flower petals, glitter, or fireworks (including sparklers) are allowed. Candles are acceptable. No items may be removed, but you may put items up as long as the walls, etc. are not damaged.

Payment Schedules/Event Timeline

Before ordering invitations, or creating any permanent timeline for your event, please consult your coordinator with Von Jakob Vineyard, Ltd. Please limit the number of people who communicate with the coordinator to one person, preferably the bride. This will eliminate any confusion or miscommunication concerning your special event. Your coordinator is here to bring all of your vendors together, on the same day, at the appropriate times, to make your wedding celebration unforgettable.

1) Initial Consultation Meeting with your coordinator, held on: _____
Month/Day/Year

Initial deposit is due at this time to secure your date, which includes:

- Room Rental and fee
- Ceremony fee

Your estimated guest count is due at the time the deposit is paid. You must commit to a certain number of guests. Two weeks prior to your event date, a solid number of guests must be confirmed – this should be equal to or above the number you previously committed to. Your second payment is due at that time.

2) Eight to ten weeks prior to your wedding day:



Invitations must go out 8-10 weeks before event. *Again, please consult your coordinator before ordering your invitations.*

Menu selection must be made within 3 months of deposit, finalized no less than 2 months before event date.

All vendors must be secured at 8 weeks prior to your event. Phone numbers and set-up times must be confirmed with your wedding coordinator at this time.

Please contact your coordinator with the pertinent information at this time.

3) Three weeks prior to your event:

All invitation RSVP's must be in so you can calculate your final guest count.

4) Two weeks prior to your event:

Your **second payment is due** to your coordinator on: _____
Month/Day/Year

Your second payment includes:

- Catering fee
- Rental items
- Service Staff
- Beer and Spirits
- Gratuity & taxes

Credit card information for final payment is due 2 weeks prior to event. *A credit card authorization form must be on file at this time for any final charges. An invoice will be e-mailed to you within 3 business days after your event detailing the charges.*

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Your **final payment** may consist of the following charges on the day of the event:

- Additional catering fees
- Additional rental items
- Additional service staff
- Wine
- Additional alcohol
- Any other fees that may apply
- Damages

Estimates

Below are estimates which include the sit-down option for dinner. If you chose to have a buffet, it will be less expensive. Please remember, these are only estimates!

	100-174 Guests	175 Guests	200 Guests	250 Guests	300 Guests
Room Rental Fee	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200
Food	\$2,500	\$2,625	\$3,000	\$3,750	\$4,500
Staff (Sit-down dinner)	\$240	\$420	\$480	\$600	\$720
Staff (Bartenders)	\$120	\$210	\$240	\$300	\$360
Ceremony Site	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500
Wine	\$240	\$420	\$480	\$600	\$720
Est. Sub-total	\$4,800	\$5,375	\$5,900	\$6,950	\$8,000
Tax (6.25%)	\$171	\$190	\$217	\$272	\$286
Gratuity (18%)	\$493	\$548	\$626	\$783	\$823
Less Wine Discount (20%)	\$48	\$84	\$96	\$120	\$144
Est. Total	\$5,909	\$6,113	\$6,647	\$7,885	\$9,109

Additional Costs: Other alcohol and spirits, Cake, Photographer, Entertainment, Florist, Officiate, and any rental items.

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Facility Regulations/Damages

Prior approval must be obtained by coordinator if displays, decorations or merchandise are to be used. We do not allow nails, tacks, or staples to be affixed to the walls, floors, ceilings, and decks. All activities must comply with mandatory health and safety regulations. Von Jakob Vineyard, Ltd. accepts no responsibility for the security, loss, destruction or damage to any items regardless of cause. Loss or damage of a group's displays, decorations, or other property brought onto the premises is the sole responsibility of the group's organization. The group is responsible for the conduct of all people in attendance of the event and any damage incurred upon our facility, the grounds or guests, by any individual associated with or representing the groups' organization.

PLEASE BRING THIS PACKET WITH YOU TO YOUR INITIAL CONSULTATION WITH YOUR COORDINATOR. WE WILL BE CONTINUOUSLY REFERRING TO IT THROUGHOUT THE COURSE OF PLANNING YOUR WEDDING!

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