



Ainsley House Information Sheet

Decorations

- No decorations can be affixed to the structure of the House with the exception of the columns on the Porte Cochere. Decorations may not be hung from light fixtures.
- Decorations may be attached to the Garden Arbor using nylon straps, tape, push pins, floral wire or string. NO STAPLES, NAILS OR SCREWS are allowed.
- All decorations must be flameproof or fire retardant. Candles on tables must be in a Container taller than the candle and weighted down to ensure they will not tip over.
- No confetti, birdseed, wild rice, silk flower petals or other non-organic material may be thrown on the grounds.
- No staking or extended coverage of the Ainsley House garden turf, as this can cause Permanent damage to the lawn and irrigation system
- We do not allow tents over 200 square feet or canopies over 400 square feet in size.
 - Tents can ONLY be used if inclement weather is unavoidable. If seeking a tent or canopy over these stated sizes a permit is required (as stated in Article 32 of the California Fire Code). Permits are obtained through contacting the Santa Clara County Fire Department, Office of Fire Prevention. Article 32 of the California Fire Code, also requires that the fabric must be made of a non flammable material and is situated 20 feet from a permanent structure. The tent or canopy must be properly anchored to the ground but we do not allow any stakes to be put into the turf. Due to the fact that we have a cedar shingled roof on the Ainsley House we will not allow any open flames if a tent or canopy is used.
- Umbrellas are allowed but must have a base. They cannot be staked into the ground.

- You may want to have heaters in the evening, but the heater must not be close to the overhang porch and must not be directly under any string lights. Please use common sense when using heaters.
- Exterior Lighting may be used to help illuminate your event. Overhead string lights are already attached to the arbor and connected to the columns of the Porte Cocheres. More lighting can be extended across the width of the garden but NO light poles can be Staked into the ground. Or, decorative up lighting can be added.
- There are electrical outlets in the back arbor of the Garden as well as located on the bottom column of the overhang porch.