





### **Tent Reservations**

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo<sup>TM</sup> Champion Wine Garden, presented by Frost is a popular destination. We are pleased to offer reservation opportunities within the Wine Garden for your party. We offer table reservations for smaller groups and tent reservations for larger groups. Please read the information below and FAQs carefully before making your reservation.

To make a tent reservation on behalf of an HLSR volunteer committee, please contact the Wine Show at wine@rodeohouston.com or 832.667.1184 to discuss reservation opportunities. Committee reservations should <u>not</u> be made through the online website. Volunteers and Patrons making personal or business reservations should proceed with booking through the website using the above QR Code beginning Dec. 1

**Notice:** We do not offer exchanges or returns on tent rentals, so please purchase carefully. Please read all the information listed below before purchasing.

# **Tent Options:**

Tent	Size	2026 Rate	Max Capacity Standing without furniture	Max Capacity Seated	Location
Hill Country	30′ X 50′	\$1050	150	100	On hill to the right of Lonestar Stage
Bluebonnet	30′ X 30′	\$650	100	60	Behind Main Stage
The Valley	20' X 30'	\$450	65	40	On hill to the right of Lonestar Stage

Fredericksburg	20′ X 30′	\$450	65	40	On hill to
					the right of
					Lonestar
					Stage
High Plains	20' X 30'	\$450	65	40	On hill to
					the right of
					Lonestar
					Stage
Tuscan	20' X 30'	\$450	65	40	Near WG
(ADA accessible)					Main
					Entrance
*Seminar Tent	20' X 30'	\$950	65	40	On hill to
(w/ A/V and hard					the right of
walls & a/c)					Lonestar
					Stage

<sup>\*</sup>Seminar Tent has hard walls and air-conditioning, upgraded solid flooring, and two (2) flat screen TVs which can display a presentation from a personal laptop supplied by the renting party.

#### **Reservation Times:**

Monday - Thursday	Friday	Saturday and Sunday
4 p.m. – 9 p.m.	2 p.m. − 9 p.m.	11 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
		OR
		5 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

- Based on availability, you are permitted to purchase a tent for back-to-back time slots for a full day reservation on weekends
- If guests do not arrive within the reservation window, the reservation will be forfeited, and seating will be offered to other guests
- Weekday reservations or 5 9:30 p.m. weekend reservations- if your party arrives within the reservation time, you may choose to stay in the tent after your reservation window. Just be aware that in-tent service will end at the end of the reservation time, but guests may order additional items from nearby open bars.

### Important Info

**Party Details:** All tent reservations are required to complete an online Event Booking Form at least one week prior to the event. The form will be sent via email in late January. The Champion Wine Garden Hospitality Team will endeavor to set up your tent as requested on your event

booking form. However, the equipment inventory is shared among all hospitality spaces, and we may not be able to fully accommodate your requests.

**Entertainment:** Tents are within proximity to musical entertainment but do not have a sight line to the stages. Stage sound is likely to be audible in the tent spaces.

Use: Tents are available for private entertaining purposes only. Access to the tents may not be resold in the form of tickets, sponsorships or other types of admission fees. Guests are permitted to contribute together to host a joint social event.

**Servers:** Each tent is supplied with 1-2 wine servers. We highly encourage placing a pre-order so that we can accommodate faster service. Parties without pre-orders will have delays in the procurement of wine.

## Frequently Asked Questions

Are there ID requirements or an age limit to enter? There is no age limit to enter the Champion Wine Garden or the seminars; however, guests must be 21 years old to drink alcohol anywhere in the Champion Wine Garden or on the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo grounds.

What are my transportation/parking options getting to the event? The Champion Wine Garden is inside the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo grounds. Admission and parking information can be found on <a href="https://www.rodeohouston.com">www.rodeohouston.com</a>. Guests to the grounds must purchase a separate ticket to enter. This is not included in the price of the Champion Wine Garden reservation.

How do I complete payment for my wine, cheese or charcuterie trays ordered? A valid, physical credit or debit card must be presented to your hostess at the conclusion of the event to complete check out. If you are charging on a director's account, the card and card holder must be present at the time of check out. Advance or post event billing is not available. Direct HLSR Committee Billing is not available except for HLSR committees who have made prearrangements with HLSR staff.

What can/can't I bring to the event? The Champion Wine Garden is located at Carruth Plaza in NRG Park. Therefore, the rules stated on <a href="https://www.rodeohouston.com/Visit-the-Rodeo/Visitors-Guide/Guest-Services">www.rodeohouston.com/Visit-the-Rodeo/Visitors-Guide/Guest-Services</a> apply to the Champion Wine Garden. It is a good idea to check the weather to ensure appropriate dress.

Who do I contact with questions? <a href="mailto:hlsrwineconcierge@gmail.com">hlsrwineconcierge@gmail.com</a>

Is my registration/ticket transferrable? You may give anyone your confirmation, but you cannot transfer it online, and it must be used for the same date/time/space.

**Do I have to bring my printed confirmation?** No, we will have a list of those with reservations.

What is the refund policy? There are no refunds once the reservation is purchased.

The name on the registration doesn't match the attendee. Is that okay? Yes, if someone has given a third party their reservation information, it will be accepted. If the original ticket purchaser arrives, and any dispute over the reservation occurs, the original ticket purchaser will be granted the space.

What happens when our reservation is officially over? (9 p.m. on weekdays, 3:30 p.m. for weekend early reservations or 9:30 p.m. for weekend late reservations) For late weekend reservations or weekday reservations, guests are welcome to stay and enjoy tents up until the time the Champion Wine Garden closes that night. However, if the reserved tent is vacated, the Wine Garden Committee is not responsible for holding the space. This policy applies even if guests leave to go into the RODEOHOUSTON performance in NRG Stadium. For the 11 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. weekend reservations, guests must leave the tent at the end of the reservation time to allow us time to clean the tent and be ready for the next reservation.

Can I share the tent reservation fee with other guests? Only one credit/debit card will be accepted upon payment of reservations. Reservation costs may be shared among other guests of the tent. Splitting the cost will be the responsibility of the party after one credit or debit card completes the transaction. The Wine Garden Committee will not split rentals.

**Can I sell admission to my tent?** No, selling tickets or admission to an event within the reserved space, is not permitted. The space may not be resold for profit.

What food is served in the Champion Wine Garden? Cheese and charcuterie trays, as well as 20 oz. bottled water, and Topo Chico Lime are offered for sale in the Champion Wine Garden bars. Additionally, numerous food exhibitors are located throughout the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo grounds offering many diverse cuisines and other beverage options.

What about food for my tent? Large cheese or charcuterie trays, wine, beer, water, sparkling water and soda are available for preorder for customers with a tent reservation. These must be ordered at least three days in advance of your reservation. The concierge team is also happy to put you in touch with any of the food vendors on the grounds during the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, however, guests will need to organize the order and delivery. Finally, guests are also welcome to bring outside food, but the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo cannot arrange for transportation of these items from the delivery vehicle, nor do we offer food serving items or plates, etc. HLSR does not offer designated drop-off locations, delivery/ parking passes or admission passes, so all items brought in must be carried in by the guests from the parking location. Please plan ahead for your event if you choose to bring in food.

I have a guest that doesn't drink wine. Can I bring in beer or soft drinks? The Wine Garden Committee will sell beer to hospitality tent customers with advanced orders. The menu and order form will be available in late January. You may also purchase a beer or frozen beverage

from another vendor at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and bring it into the Champion Wine Garden. Guests are not permitted to bring outside beer or other alcohol, including liquor, into the Rodeo grounds.

Can I move the tables and chairs around in the tent I have rented? Yes, it is okay to move around tables and chairs, provided they don't get damaged by weather or neglect. We have limited capabilities when it comes to providing you with a certain number of chairs, types of tables and set up in tents. Please understand that the Wine Garden Committee will do their best to accommodate any additional requests not included in your original layout, but it is not guaranteed.

Can I bring in a musician or music/stereo to my tent? The Champion Wine Garden has multiple musicians who perform at various times daily. Speakers are available on the hillsides so you may hear these musicians. If you want to bring in your own music, you are welcome to do so, however the sound must be set at a respectful level that does not compete with the professional musicians on stage, activities in neighboring hospitality tents or a Wine Garden seminar and must be kept family friendly. Any a/v equipment needed for your tent must be secured separately. HLSR is happy to connect you with our onsite A/V provider, Inspire Technologies.

What if I want to reserve multiple tents and the open area space in between the tents? There doesn't seem to be a place to make that reservation. This requires an email/phone call to work through the details. The Champion Wine Garden is a very popular destination during the Rodeo, and it is often difficult to get large, reserved parties into the Garden without an impact on the experience of other guests. Contact <a href="mailto:hlsrwineconcierge@gmail.com">hlsrwineconcierge@gmail.com</a> to set up a time to discuss the details of your request.

What happens if it rains? The Show must go on! Through rain, wind and storms (luckily no snow yet) the Champion Wine Garden remains open. Remember, there are no refunds, so we hope you still come out and experience the Champion Wine Garden!