



## THE BACKYARD

### Reservations – Rules & General Information

Reserve The Backyard wine & beer garden for your private party, celebration, or special event! Located in the heart of beautiful downtown Paso Robles, The Backyard offers over 7,500 square feet of alfresco space with seating for 325+ guests and standing room for many more. We have misters and shade structures providing relief during the hot days, and heaters and fire pits to keep you and your guests warm during those cool Paso evenings. A full lunch, dinner and catering menu is available at the onsite restaurant independently operated by [Roots on Railroad](#). The Backyard provides a casual and relaxed atmosphere, that is both family and dog-friendly.

#### PRICING

Visit our reservation page: <https://www.thebackyardpaso.com/reservations/> for the latest pricing, availability, booking and cancellation policy information. All reservations should be made directly through our self-service online booking system accessible via our website. Pricing is subject to change and not guaranteed until booking is complete.

A large party service / cleaning fee may apply, and is included in the price of some of the reservation offerings:

- \$50 for up to 50 guests
- \$100 for 51-100 guests
- \$150 for 101-150 guests
- \$250 for 151+ guests

You may be subject to additional service / cleaning fees as described above if capacity limits are exceeded, or for multiple bookings that are available as a “package” but that are booked separately.

#### INCLUDES

- Area(s) reserved for your group / private party. *\*Note that staff members and other guests may require right-of-way passage through your reserved area(s) to gain access to the restrooms and other areas.*
- Private party event signage.
- Use of existing tables and chairs, with the possibility of rearranging furniture (upon prior approval from The Backyard)
- Use of heaters, fire pits, and/or misters, where available
- Use of television(s) and sound system, where available
- Prior onsite visits for planning if necessary
- Access to up to 28 rotating taps showcasing local craft beer, cider and wine as well as a wide selection of cans and bottles, non-alcoholic, and kid-friendly beverages
- You may be able to special order specific beverages of your choice in advance (*subject to availability through our distribution channels*)

#### DETAILS

- Events may take place during regular business hours. *\*For an additional fee, an event may take place outside of regular business hours - inquire for details.*
- Additional dedicated staff is available for \$50 per employee per hour. Must be arranged for at least 1 week prior to the event date.
- All alcohol must be purchased through The Backyard.

- Outside wine and/or champagne may be brought in. A corkage fee of \$15/bottle will apply.
- No hard alcohol allowed on site at any time.
- Food is available at the onsite restaurant independently operated by [Roots on Railroad](#).
- Subject to certain restrictions (see '**Outside Food & Beverages**' below), you may be allowed to bring in outside food.
- Free to choose your own vendors for anything outside of food and beverages (except where otherwise stated).

## **BEVERAGES**

You have the ability to have an open bar, a hosted bar with certain beverages, or a no-host bar. Wristbands or drink tickets are available to designate members of your party to ensure other guests don't charge drinks to your Open bar tab.

You and your guests will have access to up to 28 rotating taps showcasing local craft beer, cider and wine as well as a wide selection of cans and bottles, non-alcoholic, and kid-friendly beverages. You may be able to special order specific beverages of your choice in advance (with prior approval from The Backyard and subject to availability through our distribution channels). Outside wine and champagne are allowed for a \$15/bottle corkage fee. \*Everyone in your party who wishes to be served alcoholic beverages needs to bring a photo ID.

No hard alcohol is permitted on The Backyard property at any time.

## **FOOD**

Food is available for purchase at the onsite restaurant independently operated by [Roots on Railroad](#). They offer a lunch and dinner menu with kid-friendly options and are open 7 days a week. They can provide a catering menu, or a limited menu based on their normal offerings. Inquire about dietary restrictions and kids' food options. Food menu, pricing, options, and service arrangements (timing, set-up, logistics, etc.) to be agreed upon separately and coordinated directly with Roots on Railroad unless otherwise stated. Contact Chris Beckett @ [chris@rootsonrailroad.com](mailto:chris@rootsonrailroad.com) or 805-748-7637.

Please make sure to disclose all dietary restrictions or food allergies to The Backyard and Roots on Railroad.

Add-ons, such as non-alcoholic beverages and/or communal food options are available for an additional fee.

## **OUTSIDE FOOD & BEVERAGES**

Smaller parties (up to 16 guests) may also bring food from home, other restaurants, or delivery.

Larger parties (more than 16 guests) may be allowed to bring in outside food or hire outside caterers or food trucks subject to prior written approval from The Backyard.

You may bring dessert in for parties of any size and are welcome to store it in The Backyard's refrigerated trailer (ask us for local bakery recommendations).

All outside food shall be at your own expense and must be coordinated in advance with The Backyard. You must clean up your area when finished including clearing tables, throwing away all trash and remaining food items, cleaning up any messes or spills (e.g., frosting), or you may incur an additional \$100 cleaning fee.

Outside beverages, including non-alcoholic beverages (e.g. soda, water, lemonade, tea, coffee, etc.), are not allowed unless approved and arranged ahead of time, and may be subject to an additional fee.

If you would like to bring in outside bottles of wine and/or champagne, you are able to do so, and there will be a \$15/bottle corkage fee. Inform the on-duty bartender and they will open your bottle(s) for you.

If you have a special food item that you would like to include, please let us know.

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## **MINORS**

Children and young adults are welcome; however, they must be supervised at all times. The Backyard staff reserves the right to ID any guest. Any guest underaged will not be served.

## **PARKING**

There is an onsite parking lot with 5 spaces, including 1 handicapped spot. However, parking lot access is not guaranteed. Ample street parking is available, and we are within walking distance of several downtown hotels.

Please do not park in any of the neighboring businesses' parking lots.

## **COORDINATION**

You are welcome to hire a coordinator or appoint a family or friend to coordinate your event. The Backyard will help with the planning process and provide a point of contact for your party; however, The Backyard will not be responsible for facilitating or coordinating your event, unless you would like us to do so for an additional fee.

## **RENTALS**

Guests may wish to create a more formal atmosphere with additional furniture, linens, place settings, tents, etc. All necessary rentals must be arranged by and at the expense of the Renter(s) and must be from a licensed and approved vendor. Delivery and pick up times must also be prearranged in coordination with The Backyard.

## **FLOWERS & DECORATIONS – NO GLITTER OR CONFETTI!**

You are welcome to bring in your own flowers and decorations (ask us for florist recommendations). Flowers can be stored in our refrigerated trailer if prearranged.

Items like confetti, glitter and feathers (including balloons that come with these items inside) make a mess that's very hard to clean up and are not allowed at The Backyard. If this is discovered, there will be an additional \$100 cleaning fee charged to your credit card.

Your area must be cleared by your reservation end time. Remove all items used for celebratory decorations including signs, banners, balloons, tape, string, etc.

## **AUDIO/VISUAL & LIVE MUSIC**

You may request to use the microphone/sound system, choose a music station on the Sonos speaker system, create and share a music playlist through Spotify, and/or show videos or slideshows on the TV screens. All A/V requests need to be coordinated ahead of time.

\*Please note that events such as Game Nights, Tap Takeovers, DJ's and Live Music are regularly scheduled at The Backyard, and may be taking place during your event. A calendar of events is available on our website <https://www.thebackyardpaso.com/happenings/>, but inquire for the most up to date information.

Renter(s) may be allowed to bring in their own live music, at their expense, with prior approval from The Backyard. Please inquire about adding live music.

## **PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY**

You will have access to take photos and/or videos on any part of The Backyard property. You agree to allow The Backyard to use any images and video that we take of your event as needed for marketing and advertising purposes. Of course, we would love for you to share any photos/videos with us as well.

## **VENDORS**

If you are not local (or even if you are!) and would like ideas about some of our favorite vendors, we are happy to help!

## **HOUSE RULES**

We ask that you and your guests follow our House Rules (posted on site, and available upon request).

## **WEATHER POLICY**

We are unable to refund an event because of hot or cold weather. If you are hosting an event outside of summer months or at night, you should advise your guests to bring an extra outer layer to stay warm and cozy. The patio space is uncovered but does have four large heaters. There are heaters in the Garage (shipping container) as well. In addition, there are two fire pits that guests may sit around. If rain is predicted in the forecast, we will reach out to you to check on the status of your event. In the case of a rain out on the day of your event, you may either choose to reschedule your event or cancel your event for a full refund.

## **CANCELLATION POLICY**

A full refund is given for cancellations up to 2 weeks before the event. A 50% refund is given up to 1 week before the event. No refund is offered for cancellations made less than 7 days before the event. Email [info@thebackyardpaso.com](mailto:info@thebackyardpaso.com) to inquire about rebooking or a cancellation.

Unless otherwise agreed in advance, your space will be held for 15 minutes after your reservation start time. If a member of your party has not arrived by then, it will be considered a no-show, the reserved space will be released and become available to other customers. No-shows will be charged full price.

A full refund is given in case The Backyard cancels due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.

## **TAXES & GRATUITY / SERVICE CHARGES**

8.75% California sales tax will be added to all taxable items. 20% gratuity will automatically be added to all unclosed tabs. Any additional gratuity is left to the discretion of the guests.

## **CONTACT**

For further questions, date availability, or to arrange a site visit, please reach out to:

Russell Baker, Owner  
[russell@thebackyardpaso.com](mailto:russell@thebackyardpaso.com)

Thank you for considering The Backyard Wine & Beer Garden for your special event!

- Amy & Russell Baker and The Backyard Team

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