

## 2011 Facility Rental Information



## FOR-MAR Nature Preserve & Arboretum

2142 N. Genesee Rd., Burton, MI 48509  
810-789-8568

Visitor Center: Wednesday-Sunday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Grounds: Wednesday-Sunday, 8 a.m.-dusk

A Facility Of The  
Genesee County Parks & Recreation Commission  
[geneseecountyparks.org](http://geneseecountyparks.org)



For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum is a 383 acre protected area operated by the Genesee County Parks & Recreation Commission.

This gorgeous unspoiled land is the perfect place to hold an outdoor wedding or use as a backdrop for special photographs. Choose one of two serene locations, the Maple Walk with its natural tree lined isle, or the Four Seasons Garden overlooking a peaceful pond and surrounded by willow trees.

For-Mar Nature Preserve and Arboretum,  
a very special place for your very special day!

For the best photo opportunities and time of year to schedule your event, call or email the For-Mar staff, (810) 789-8568 or [parkswbteam@gcparks.org](mailto:parkswbteam@gcparks.org).

## General Rental Information

### *Facility Rental Fees*

- Fees are determined by rental blocks of 3 hours and are based on hours that For-Mar is open to the public, Wednesday-Sunday, 8am-sunset.
- Applicant must make reservations at least one week prior to the event.
- All fees are due in full at the time of the reservation.
- A security deposit in the amount of the rental charge will be assessed for all rentals. Please see the next page for further information.
- Weddings can be scheduled between May 1 and October 31.

### *Refunds*

A 50 % refund will be given for cancellations made at least 72 hours before the event. No refunds will be issued after the 72 hour deadline has passed. Refunds will not be given for cancellations due to inclement weather.

### *Fees*

Gardens—Weekday:	\$125
Gardens—Weekend:	\$200
Visitor's Center :	Available for meetings only \$100 (non-profit) \$150 (private)

A non-profit is an organization that has been designated as a 501( c ) ( 3 ) by the I.R.S.

## **General Rental Information**

### ***Security Deposit***

The cleaning, damage, and security deposit in the amount of the rental charge is fully refundable if the facility is returned to its original condition. Costs will be deducted from the security deposit if the premises are damaged, not cleaned, or any rules are violated.

### ***Parking***

Guests must park in the main parking lot off Genesee Road. The parking lot has a capacity of 75 vehicles.

### ***Handicap Accessibility***

One motorized vehicle is allowed to drive up to the Maple Walk or Four Seasons Garden to drop off those individuals who are unable to walk from the lot. Once passengers are dropped off, the vehicle must return to the main lot. Rest Rooms in the Visitor's Center are accessible.

### ***Visitor's Center***

The Visitor's Center is air-conditioned and the auditorium seats 65 people. Please limit your event to that size.

### ***Capacity for Outdoor Events***

Due to the fragile nature of the environment, we ask that you limit your wedding party to 50 guests.



***Smoking and Alcohol***

Smoking and Alcoholic Beverages are NOT permitted on the grounds.

***Food and Drink***

Light refreshments are allowed inside the Visitor's Center. Food and drink is allowed outside in the designated picnic site only.

***Pets and Wildlife***

Domesticated animals are NOT permitted. Only birdseed or natural flower petals may be thrown during the ceremony.

***Set-Up and Clean-Up***

All set-up and clean-up is the responsibility of the renter and must be done within the 3 hour rental block.

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### *Equipment*

Please limit the number of chairs to 50 for events held in the Maple Walk or Four Seasons Garden. For-Mar does not provide chairs. Arrangements to rent these must be made by the renter through an outside vendor. To preserve the natural peace and beauty, we do not allow the use of PA systems or amplified instruments.

### *Decorations*

All decorations must be natural and may not be attached in any way to any structure or plant on the grounds. Unity candles will only be approved one week prior to the wedding, depending upon site and weather conditions.

### *Walk Through*

In order to help you better plan and prepare for your special day, please schedule a time to walk through the facility with our staff. Please call (810) 789-8568 between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, to make an appointment.

\*\*\*Please keep in mind that For-Mar is a public facility and that other events may be scheduled at the same time. Our staff will be accessible during your event and will work hard to minimize any interference and to ensure that you will have an enjoyable and memorable experience.



***Make Your Reservation***

Please call 810-736-7100, ext. 6 or 800-648-PARK, ext. 6, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., to check availability and make a reservation.



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