

Sarah & Adam

Anoka County Fair,

Anoka, MN

1b. Best 1st Year Event not
produced by Facility staff - Non
Fair Facility - Division 1

About The Wedding

Fall wedding with Hayrides, a bonfire, and a country charm.

The Anoka County Fairgrounds does not have a year around insulated building, so we have not promoted many weddings and events. We had someone approach us regarding renting the facility for a wedding. They wanted some unique activities that only a fairgrounds can provide, and have also been lifelong Anoka County Fair exhibitors.

Ceremony

The wedding itself was held at our BandShell Stage, and we provided the chairs for the ceremony.

Hayride Bar Hopping

They used a tractor and trailer and had a unique idea. They set up several bars on the grounds. Rides were routed through the fairgrounds to different barns and through the Old Town area on the grounds such as The Post Office, The Dentist Office, The School House, The Cattle Barn, and The Candy Shop. The Hayride would stop at each bar at those specific areas with a different drink at each stop. The hayrides took people to each spot for so many minutes, and then they went to the next. It was a fun way to have a country spin on a party bus for a smaller wedding, and made it something for all of the wedding guests to enjoy.

Reception / Dinner

The reception and dinner was held in the Beer Garden Building. They rented tables, chairs, put up lights on the ceiling, and had an open bar. Their head table was set at the far end of the Beer Garden opposite of the food and bar. The wooden walls of the beer garden and beams in the ceiling really went well with the overall theme of the wedding.

The After Party

They had a live band on the Beer Garden Stage, and they catered food from our catering partner Route 65. The night culminated with a large fire pit. Many of the guests and the wedding party camped on our grounds the night of the wedding. It was a nice way to stay all together and not have to worry about driving.

Overall

The event was a rental for 250 guests and the wedding party. The wedding party and guests felt it was a successful and unique experience. This was a private event, but we will be able to use this unique experience for future bookings at our fairgrounds.

A Picture Perfect Memory

A Timeless Treasure: Forever etched in our hearts, this cherished photo encapsulates the joy, love, and unforgettable memories of our magical wedding day.



