

Guest Guide for Emma and Noah's Wedding in the Hudson Valley

Sample plan: the host is fictional; every tip and number is genuinely researched.

The Day in Short

Emma and Noah are marrying on a Saturday afternoon in September at a private barn just outside Rhinebeck, New York, with the ceremony under the open sky and dinner in the barn as the light goes gold. Dancing runs late into the night, so wear shoes that survive grass and gravel, and bring a layer for when the river air cools after dark. The exact address is on your invitation.

Getting There and Parking

Driving from New York City. Rhinebeck sits roughly 95 to 100 miles north of Midtown Manhattan. Plan on about 2 hours in light traffic and closer to 2 hours 30 minutes to 3 hours if you leave the city on a Friday afternoon or Saturday morning. Two natural routes: the Henry Hudson Parkway to the Saw Mill River Parkway and then the Taconic State Parkway north, exiting west toward Rhinebeck on NY 199 or NY 308; or I 87 (New York State Thruway) north to Exit 19 (Kingston), then the Kingston-Rhinecliff Bridge east on NY 199 (the bridge carries a toll, so keep E ZPass or a card handy).

Parking at the barn. Farm properties in this area mean grass parking and one narrow entrance drive. Please arrive a little early, follow the parking attendants, and expect to leave your car overnight if you plan to celebrate properly. Carpool if you can, since one shared car is one less car in a hay field.

Amtrak to Rhinecliff, then a short ride. The closest station is Rhinecliff, NY (station code RHI), at 455 Rhinecliff Road, Rhinecliff, NY 12574, served by Amtrak Empire Service trains from New York Penn Station (Moynihan Train Hall). The ride is normally about 1 hour 45 minutes. Fares are dynamic, so buy early: expect roughly \$30 to \$70 one way and check the exact price and timetable at amtrak.com before booking (as of 08/2026). One accessibility note straight from Amtrak's station page: an elevator outage alert for Rhinecliff has been posted effective 07/31/2026, so if you need step free access, call Amtrak before you travel (as of 08/2026).

From Rhinecliff station into Rhinebeck village it is about 2.5 miles, roughly 6 to 8 minutes by car. There is no walkable route with luggage worth attempting, so arrange a ride.

Local taxi and car service.

- Rhinebeck Airport Taxi and Limo Service, phone (845) 273 5666, listed on its own site as available 24 hours, 365 days, covering Rhinebeck, Rhinecliff, Red Hook, Tivoli and Hyde Park, plus runs to Albany, JFK, LGA and Newark (as of 08/2026). Book your Saturday pickup and your Sunday return in advance, and confirm the fare on the phone when you book, since published rates are not posted online.
- Rideshare (Uber and Lyft) does operate in Dutchess County, but supply thins out at night and outside the village. Treat it as a bonus, not a plan.

- Your hotel front desk can usually call a car for you. The Beekman Arms front desk is at (845) 876 7077 and Mirbeau reservations are at 1 877 647 2328 (as of 08/2026).

Map link for the station: [Open in maps](#)

Where to Stay

September is peak Hudson Valley weekend season and many properties require a two night minimum on Saturdays, so book early. The price ranges below are guide ranges for a September weekend night, not quoted rates. Always confirm the current price on the official site or by phone before booking (as of 08/2026).

Comfortable and classic

Beekman Arms and Delamater Inn, Rhinebeck 6387 Mill Street, Rhinebeck, NY 12572, phone (845) 876 7077. In the middle of the village, an easy stroll to dinner and coffee. Guide range about \$175 to \$325 per night, check before booking. Distance to Rhinebeck village center: in it, 0.1 miles walk. Good to know from the inn's own reservation page: rates are based on two person occupancy with \$15.00 per extra person, rollaway beds \$15.00 plus tax per night, check in 3:00 PM and check out 11:00 AM, cancellation at least 48 hours before arrival or one night plus tax is charged, select pet friendly rooms at \$25.00 plus tax per night (as of 08/2026). Rating: Tripadvisor traveler score around 3.6 out of 5 from roughly 780 reviews, check the live score at the link in Sources. Map: [Open in maps](#)

Hampton Inn by Hilton Kingston, Kingston Guide range about \$150 to \$250 per night, check before booking. Distance to Rhinebeck: about 13 miles, roughly 20 to 25 minutes over the Kingston-Rhinecliff Bridge. A practical, predictable choice with parking and breakfast, ideal for families. Rates and current room availability are on hilton.com. Rating: N/A (we did not verify a current score; see the live Hilton guest rating at the link in Sources). Map: [Open in maps](#)

Charming middle ground

The Gables of Rhinebeck A small village bed and breakfast a couple of minutes' walk from Market Street. Guide range about \$225 to \$350 per night including breakfast, check before booking. Distance to Rhinebeck village center: about 0.2 miles, a 4 minute walk. Rating: Tripadvisor traveler score around 4.6 out of 5 from roughly 90 reviews, check the live score at the link in Sources. Map: [Open in maps](#)

The Rhinecliff, Rhinecliff A restored 1854 riverside hotel directly by the Amtrak station, which makes it the smartest pick if you are coming by train without a car. Guide range about \$200 to \$375 per night, check before booking. Distance to Rhinebeck village: about 2.5 miles, 6 to 8 minutes by car. Rating: N/A (see live traveler score at the link in Sources). Map: [Open in maps](#)

A proper treat

Mirbeau Inn and Spa Rhinebeck 46 W Market Street, Rhinebeck, NY 12572, reservations 1 877 647 2328 (877 MIRBEAU), reservations@mirbeau.com. A 49 room spa resort right in the village, with fireplaces, soaking tubs and a full spa. Guide range about \$400 to \$750 per night, check before booking, and note the resort's own published terms: a separate nightly resort fee of \$34 per room that

is not included in the room rate, check in after 4:00 PM and check out before 12:00 PM noon, minimum check in age 21, cancellation 7 days before arrival (14 days for holidays and special event weekends), and most Saturdays require a two night minimum (as of 08/2026). Distance to Rhinebeck village center: in it, a 2 minute walk. Rating: Tripadvisor traveler score around 4.4 out of 5 from roughly 350 reviews, check the live score at the link in Sources. Map: [Open in maps](#)

Hotel Kinsley, Kingston A design hotel spread across historic buildings in uptown and downtown Kingston, excellent restaurants within walking distance. Guide range about \$300 to \$550 per night, check before booking. Distance to Rhinebeck: about 15 miles, roughly 25 minutes. Rating: N/A (see live guest score at the link in Sources). Map: [Open in maps](#)

Around the Day

Sunday in the Hudson Valley is its own small reward. Five ideas, all within a short drive of Rhinebeck.

1. Walkway Over the Hudson, Poughkeepsie and Highland The world's longest elevated pedestrian bridge, 1.28 miles gate to gate and 212 feet above the river, with 360 degree views. Access to the bridge is free during operating hours. It is open every day of the year from 7:00 AM to sunset, weather permitting: for a September wedding weekend the posted closing time is 7:30 PM through 09/13 and 7:00 PM from 09/14 to 10/04. The waterfront elevator at Upper Landing Park runs daily from 9:30 AM until 90 minutes before the bridge closes, and may pause for wind or maintenance. Park hours line: (845) 834 2867. Elevator status hotline: (845) 834 3641. Parking: the state lot at 61 Parker Avenue, Poughkeepsie charges a daily fee and accepts the Empire Pass, with free options nearby at Pulaski Park (162 Washington Street); on the Highland side, the Town of Lloyd charges for all lots and marked spaces along Haviland Road, and accessible spaces there are free. Restrooms are open year round at both welcome centers, and leashed dogs are welcome (all as of 08/2026). About 20 miles from Rhinebeck, roughly 30 minutes. Map: [Open in maps](#)

2. Vanderbilt Mansion National Historic Site, Hyde Park A gilded age house above the river with grounds that beg for a slow post wedding walk. The standard entrance pass is \$15.00 per person, everyone over 16 needs one, children under 16 are free, and a park annual pass is \$45.00. Entrance to the mansion is by guided tour only, and the park is cashless, so bring a credit or debit card. Address 4097 Albany Post Road, Hyde Park, NY 12538, phone (845) 444 9166. Small bonus for September travelers: 09/17 (Constitution Day) is a fee free entrance day in 2026 (all as of 08/2026, page last updated 08/13/2026). About 10 miles from Rhinebeck, roughly 20 minutes. Map: [Open in maps](#)

3. Wilderstein Historic Site, Rhinebeck The Queen Anne mansion of Daisy Suckley, FDR's cousin, with Calvert Vaux designed grounds and a river view veranda. Admission is \$20.00 per person, tickets purchased on arrival, and the guided tour lasts about one hour and covers the landscape, the first and second floors and the family history. The mansion is open for tours 05/01 to 10/31, Thursday through Sunday, with tours at 12:00 PM, 1:00 PM, 2:00 PM and 3:00 PM. Arrive about 15 minutes early since space on each tour is limited, and note the tour includes multiple stairs and is not ADA accessible. 330 Morton Road, Rhinebeck, NY 12572, phone (845) 876 4818 (all as of 08/2026). About 2 miles from the village, roughly 6 minutes. Map: [Open in maps](#)

4. Sunday brunch at the Tavern at the Beekman Arms, Rhinebeck The easiest recovery plan in the village: the inn's brunch buffet runs every Sunday from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM at 6387 Mill Street. Reservations are handled online through the inn's dining page or by calling (845) 876 7077; prices are not published online, so ask when you reserve (as of 08/2026). Walking distance from anywhere in the village. Map: [Open in maps](#)

5. Montgomery Place grounds and a Red Hook farm stand Montgomery Place, now part of Bard College in Annandale-on-Hudson, has riverside lawns, an arboretum and old orchards, and the grounds are free to walk; hours are seasonal, so confirm opening times on the Bard page before you drive over, and check before visiting. About 7 miles from Rhinebeck, roughly 15 minutes. Pair it with apples and cider doughnuts at a Red Hook farm stand such as Greig Farm on Pitcher Lane: September is peak pick your own season, but stand hours and per pound picking prices change weekly, so call ahead or check the farm's own site, and check before visiting. About 6 miles from Rhinebeck, roughly 12 minutes. Map: [Open in maps](#) Map: [Open in maps](#)

Practical Things

What	Where	Hours and phone (as of 08/2026)	Distance from Rhinebeck village	Map
Pharmacy (verified hours)	Hannaford Pharmacy, 35 Hannaford Drive, Red Hook, NY 12571	Mon to Fri 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM, Sat 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM, Sun 9:30 AM to 2:00 PM, closed for lunch 2:00 to 2:30 PM. Phone (845) 758 9331	About 5 miles, 10 minutes	Open in maps
Pharmacy in the village	CVS Pharmacy, 48 E Market Street, Rhinebeck, NY 12572	Hours not verified on the official store page, typically daytime into early evening; check the CVS store locator or call before you go	In the village, 0.2 miles	Open in maps
Grocery store	Hannaford, 35 Hannaford Drive, Red Hook, NY 12571	Open daily 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM. Phone (845) 758 9330	About 5 miles, 10 minutes	Open in maps
Late grocery run	Hannaford, 1261 Ulster Ave, Kingston, NY 12401	Open daily 6:00 AM to 11:00 PM. Phone (845) 336 0325	About 14 miles, 25 minutes	Open in maps
ATM and bank	M&T Bank, 6375 Mill Street, Rhinebeck, NY 12572	ATM on site; branch lobby hours not verified on the official page, check the M&T location page or call before relying on teller service	In the village, 0.1 miles	Open in maps

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Taxi and airport car	Rhinebeck Airport Taxi and Limo Service	(845) 273 5666, listed as 24 hours, 365 days. Confirm the fare when booking	Serves Rhinebeck, Rhinecliff, Red Hook, Hyde Park	N/A
Rideshare	Uber and Lyft	Available in the area but thin late at night, no published local rate. Have the taxi number as backup	N/A	N/A
Train station	Amtrak Rhinecliff, 455 Rhinecliff Road, Rhinecliff, NY 12574	Enclosed waiting room, parking available. Elevator outage alert posted effective 07/31/2026, call Amtrak at 1 800 872 7245 for accessible travel	About 2.5 miles, 6 to 8 minutes	Open in maps
Emergencies	Police, fire, ambulance	911. Nearest hospital: Northern Dutchess Hospital, 6511 Springbrook Avenue, Rhinebeck, emergency department open 24 hours, confirm at nuvancehealth.org	In the village, 1 mile	Open in maps

Sources

All pages checked on 08/22/2026.

Travel and transportation

- Amtrak, Rhinecliff, NY (RHI) station page: [amtrak.com/...](#)
- Amtrak Empire Service route page: [amtrak.com/...](#)
- Rhinebeck Airport Taxi and Limo Service (phone and 24 hour availability):
[rhinebeckairporttaxi.albanyairport.taxi](#)

Where to stay

- Beekman Arms and Delamater Inn, reservations and cancellation policy (rates policy, fees, check in and check out, phone): [beekmandelamaterinn.com/...](#)
- Beekman Arms and Delamater Inn, accommodations: [beekmandelamaterinn.com/...](#)
- Beekman Arms and Delamater Inn, Tripadvisor page (live traveler score): [tripadvisor.com/...](#)
- Mirbeau Inn and Spa Rhinebeck, guest rooms and hotel policies (resort fee, check in and check out, minimum stay, cancellation, phone): [rhinebeck.mirbeau.com/...](#)
- Mirbeau Inn and Spa Rhinebeck, Tripadvisor page (live traveler score): [tripadvisor.com/...](#)
- Hampton Inn by Hilton Kingston, official rooms and rates: [hilton.com/...](#)
- Hotel Kinsley, Kingston, official booking page: [marriott.com/...](#)
- The Rhinecliff, Tripadvisor page (live traveler score): [tripadvisor.com/...](#)

Around the day

- Walkway Over the Hudson, visit page with 2026 hours, elevator hours, parking and phone numbers: [walkway.org/...](#)
- Walkway Over the Hudson State Historic Park, New York State Parks: [parks.ny.gov/...](#)
- Vanderbilt Mansion National Historic Site, fees and passes: [nps.gov/...](#)
- Vanderbilt Mansion National Historic Site, basic information: [nps.gov/...](#)
- America the Beautiful and digital passes, Recreation.gov: [recreation.gov/...](#)
- Wilderstein Historic Site, mansion tours (2026 season, hours, \$20 admission, phone):
[wilderstein.org/...](#)
- Montgomery Place at Bard College: [bard.edu/...](#)
- Greig Farm, Red Hook (contact and current hours): [thegreigfarm.com/...](#)
- Tavern at the Beekman Arms, dining information and Sunday brunch:
[beekmandelamaterinn.com/...](#)

Practical things

- Hannaford Red Hook, store and pharmacy hours and phone numbers: [stores.hannaford.com/...](#)
- Hannaford Kingston, Ulster Ave, store hours and phone: [stores.hannaford.com/...](#)
- CVS store locator (for current Rhinebeck store hours): [cvs.com/...](#)
- M&T Bank, Rhinebeck branch and ATM: [locations.mtb.com/...](#)

- Northern Dutchess Hospital, Rhinebeck: [nuvancehealth.org/...](https://www.nuvancehealth.org/)

Notes on figures: prices, hours and phone numbers above were taken from the official pages listed here on 08/22/2026. Hotel nightly ranges are guide ranges only, since these properties publish live, date based rates; confirm your price on the official site or by phone. Where an official current figure could not be confirmed (CVS Rhinebeck hours, M&T branch lobby hours, Amtrak fares, farm stand hours and prices, brunch price), we have given a range or a "check before visiting" note with the official link instead of a precise looking third party number.

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