

Special Event Rentals

Through our special event rental program, let Fort Fisher State Historic Site host your wedding or other special event amongst the gnarled live oaks and scenic views of the Cape Fear River and the Atlantic Ocean. Each year, the site makes history for dozens of couples wanting a uniquely waterfront wedding.

Choose from one of six locations: the North or South Gazebo, the Ocean Grove (north, center, or south), or the spectacular Fort Grove. Many couples choose the North Gazebo for its unsurpassed view of the Atlantic Ocean and convenience to nearby parking. At the southeastern end of the site lies the South Gazebo, which offers more of a beachfront wedding atmosphere. Likewise, the beloved Ocean Grove is a grand parcel of waterfront property divided into three sections – northern, center, and south – where gorgeous maritime grove trees provide shade for summer weddings and an oceanfront bluff to the south. Couples seeking to make more secluded memories often turn to the Fort Grove, a wedding oasis near the walls of the fort, where ceremonies of any size are accentuated by stunning views of the Cape Fear River at sunset.

Getting married at any of our six wedding locations requires a signed contract and a special use permit, which is good for a three hour block of time. Additional time is available. There are no lights on the property, so for safety and security reasons, we no longer offer permits for receptions, only ceremonies.

To receive a copy of Fort Fisher's special event permit application, fee structure, and site usage guidelines, contact Si Lawrence at (910) 251-7346 or si.lawrence@ncdcr.gov.

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