


IT'S YOUR EVENT, MAKE WAVES.



IMAGINE

walking down the aisle with the stunning Charleston Harbor as your backdrop. Step inside to an aquatic world that awaits you and your guests. Immerse yourself in our intimate galleries and mingle with thousands of animal attendees. It's your event, make waves. 






**SOUTH CAROLINA AQUARIUM
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AQUARIUM GALLERIES AND HARBOR OVERLOOK

With expansive waterfront views and an exclusive downtown Charleston location, your wedding at the South Carolina Aquarium will stand out from the others. Our versatile galleries can become an intimate setting for your small wedding or a grand venue accommodating up to 225 seated guests. Celebrate among more than 5,000 animals in the Aquarium Galleries and on the adjoining outdoor Harbor Overlook. Create an unforgettable night that's all your own at the South Carolina Aquarium. 






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2017 Reception Rates

Thursday Evening \$3,300	Saturday Evening \$4,900
Friday Evening \$3,900	Sunday Evening \$3,000

Reception rentals include four hours of venue use. All rentals require a \$2,000 reservation deposit and an additional \$500 refundable damage deposit.

PACKAGES

Say “I do” to a perfect package. Add additional time for your rehearsal and ceremony, a cocktail reception, and a private area for the bridesmaids to join the bride before the ceremony. Complete the experience with added personal touches like an Animal Encounter, a photo booth, or the opportunity for your guests to touch sharks and rays. 





PACKAGE A \$900

In addition to the base venue rental, you will receive:

30 minutes of additional time

30 minutes of rehearsal time one day prior to your event

Use of the Aquarium Classrooms as a preparation and storage area

An Animal Encounter OR a one-year Aquarium membership

PACKAGE B \$1,400

In addition to the base venue rental, you will receive:

60 minutes of additional time

45 minutes of rehearsal time one day prior to your event

Use of the Aquarium Classrooms as a preparation and storage area

An Animal Encounter OR a one-year Aquarium membership

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A Photo Booth OR Shark Shallows experience



“Thank you for setting up an amazing, perfect venue. The guests and I were blown away by how intimate and romantic the Aquarium looked at night. We will look back on this night fondly for a long time to come.”

– *Bride and Groom*

CATERING

The South Carolina Aquarium has partnered with five of Charleston's top catering vendors, providing you with options from a traditional Lowcountry boil to an elegant plated meal. When you choose to host your wedding festivities at the Aquarium, our catering partners will ensure a flawless evening and deliver the ideal culinary accompaniment to complete your perfect day. 





CRU CATERING
(843) 534-2433
CruCatering.com



DUVALL CATERING & EVENT DESIGN
(843) 763-9222
DuvallEvents.com



HAMBY CATERING & EVENTS
(843) 571-3103
HambyCatering.com




SALTHOUSE CATERING
(843) 577-7847
SalthouseCatering.com



TRISTAN EVENTS
(843) 534-2455
TristanEvents.com

PERSONAL TOUCHES

Adding an extra touch creates the memories your guests will have forever. Impress them with up-close animal interactions or divers of the deep waving personalized congratulations from inside our 385,000-gallon Great Ocean Tank. See reverse side for these options and additional luxuries to enhance your Aquarium experience. 





PARKING PACKAGE

\$25 setup fee + garage invoice per vehicle
Conveniently cover the cost of parking at
the nearby garage for your guests

TRANSPORTATION SERVICE \$175

A covered golf cart transports your guests from the
parking garage to the Aquarium and back

ANIMAL ENCOUNTER \$175

A member of our education team greets your guests
with special animal attendees

SHARK SHALLOWS \$500

Experience this new outdoor exhibit featuring
sharks and rays in a unique touch tank

DIVERS \$750

Two divers wave their congratulations from inside
the Great Ocean Tank or the Carolina Seas exhibit
(restrictions may apply)



SEA TURTLE RECOVERY

Opening May 2017

As we prepare to open a new exhibit, a wall will be erected to block the construction area and maintain the integrity of our beautiful venue for your event. The wall will be added prior to construction and will remain in place until the exhibit's completion.

Facing the Great Hall at the entrance of the current Madagascar Journey exhibit, the finished wall will blend with the colors and design of the Aquarium's existing features.

We look forward to helping you create your wedding vision with the artistic features of the Aquarium's Great Hall. Talk to the Aquarium Events Team about your creative ideas to make this a truly memorable experience on your special day.



“I want to extend a huge thank you for all of the assistance with [the bride and groom’s] wedding. They had a fabulous event and loved every minute! ... Coordinating an event at the Aquarium was one of the easiest I have had thus far.”

– *Wedding Planner*