



## **PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPHY**

At Brys Estate Vineyard & Winery and The Secret Garden at Brys Estate we offer photographers and clients access to many beautiful areas, from our vineyards to our gardens. Whether you're interested in photographing engagements, your wedding party, family portraits, senior pictures, or more, we'd love to welcome you and help you preserve these special moments in your life. **To engage in a portrait photography session, a reservation is required and the client or photographer is subject to a site fee.**

## **SITE FEE**

Any portrait photo shoot taking place at Brys Estate Vineyard & Winery or The Secret Garden at Brys Estate requires a reservation and is subject to a site fee of \$100 plus 6% MI sales tax for a one hour session. Payment of the photography site fee is required to confirm a reservation.

## **HOW TO SCHEDULE**

In order to perform a photo shoot, a professional photographer or their client must contact [taylor@brysestate.com](mailto:taylor@brysestate.com) or complete a photography inquiry form on the Brys Estate website to schedule an appointment. Appointments are scheduled during normal business hours, unless otherwise arranged.

Please email [taylor@brysestate.com](mailto:taylor@brysestate.com) with information including:

- Date and time being requested
- Location being requested
- Length of time being requested
- Intent for photo shoot
- Number of people involved in the shoot
- Photographer name
- Photographer email and phone number
- Client name and phone number

After receipt of the above information, you will be contacted via phone to reserve your appointment and complete payment for the site fee.

Please contact [taylor@brysestate.com](mailto:taylor@brysestate.com) if you need to cancel or reschedule your reservation.

## **PHOTOGRAPHY GUIDELINES**

1. As to not interfere with regular business, **no group photo sessions are allowed to take place in or around the Brys Estate Tasting Room (including but not limited to the front entrance, barrel room, and Upper Deck/Vineyard Overlook) or in or around the Secret Garden Gift Shop.**
2. Limit 5 cars per group. Please use designated parking area instructed by the Hospitality Manager.
3. **Brys Estate and the Secret Garden do not provide staff to assist with or monitor photography sessions.**
4. Photos may be taken in the vineyard. However, **vineyard access is determined on a day-to-day basis. Access may be confirmed 24 hours in advance by emailing [taylor@brysestate.com](mailto:taylor@brysestate.com).**
5. **Do not harvest or touch the grapes.**
6. Lavender fields or other plant displays may not be disturbed.
7. **BEES ARE ACTIVE IN THE LAVENDER, FLOWER, AND BERRY FIELDS – PROCEED WITH CAUTION.**
8. Existing furnishings may not be moved or rearranged unless prior permission has been given. After the shoot, all furniture must be returned to original placement.
9. Photographers must be able to complete the shoot with their own equipment (ex. extension cords, lights, etc.). Electric power from Brys Estate or the Secret Garden may not be used without prior permission.
10. All articles and props brought in for shoot must be removed from premises.
11. Clean-up of all areas is the responsibility of the client.
12. Any and all damages or losses to the property will be the responsibility of persons or business requesting use of the Brys Estate or Secret Garden grounds.
13. Brys Estate and the Secret Garden are non-smoking properties. Please refrain from smoking anywhere on the property.
14. **No receptions or wedding ceremonies of any kind** can be performed at Brys Estate or the Secret Garden per township regulations.
15. **No bottle consumption or outside alcoholic beverages** anywhere on the Brys Estate or Secret Garden property. Only glasses of wine, purchased only at the Brys Estate Tasting Room may be consumed in the Tasting Room, on the Upper Deck, or in the elevated lawn area.
16. Vehicles may not be driven on the grounds outside of the paved roads and parking lots.
17. Photos are not allowed within the picket fence area in front of the main farmhouse or in front of the Guesthouse.
18. No restrooms are available outside of the Tasting Room.
19. **No changing facilities are available.**
20. If cancellation occurs due to poor weather, rescheduling is contingent upon availability of the grounds. Refunds will be applied.

## **RELEASE STATEMENT**

The undersigned, and all participants involved, hold harmless *Brys Estate Vineyard & Winery* and the *Secret Garden at Brys Estate*, have read and agree to abide by all of the *Estate* photography policies, guidelines and rules, and will assume responsibility for any damage done to the properties or their contents during and occurring as a result of using the properties.

Furthermore, the undersigned and all participants involved will participate in the photo shoot on the Brys Estate and/or Secret Garden properties at their own risk. Brys Estate and the Secret Garden will not be liable for any damages arising from personal injuries sustained by any such person on the premises of the properties. They certify that they will not hold Brys Estate and/or the Secret Garden, its agents, employees or associated companies responsible for any harm occurring wholly or partially as a result of any existing health problems including, but not limited to; allergic reactions to bee stings. They assume full responsibility for such injuries. Brys Estate and/or the Secret Garden shall not be liable for any equipment, property or personal belongings of the undersigned and all participants involved.

I, the undersigned, and all participants of the photo shoot understand that our participation and/or involvement in participating in a photo shoot at Brys Estate and/or the Secret Garden carries with it the potential for certain risks, some of which may not be reasonably foreseeable. I further acknowledge that these risks could cause me, or others around me, harm, including, but not limited to, bodily injury, damage to property, emotional distress, or death.

By signing this agreement, I agree to release, indemnify, and hold harmless *Brys Estate Vineyard & Winery* and *The Secret Garden at Brys Estate*, as well as all employees, agents, representatives, successors, etc. from all losses, claims, theft, demands, liabilities, causes of action, or expenses, known or unknown, arising out of my participation.

I have read and understood the foregoing assumption of risk and release statement.

Contact Name (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_