

**SAY
“I DO”**

AT 1861 DISTILLERY



ONE PACKAGE ZERO STRESS

INCLUDES:

officiant
simple backdrop
space for 24 guests
2 hours after ceremony
amaretto toast for all
keepsake bottle & holder

ONLY

\$750

Where and how do I get a license?

In Georgia, couples must apply for a marriage license in person at the County Clerk's office and present proof of age, such as a birth certificate, driver's license, passport, or other accepted ID. Costs vary by county, and there are no residency requirements.

You can find the application and more info here: thomascountyboc.org/probate-court.

You must present your license to the officiant on the day of the ceremony.

What will the ceremony be like?

Our ULC ministers use the "religious" ceremony license, regardless of style. The ceremony will be short and simple, with only the two Georgia-required elements: the proclamation of consent ("I do") and the pronouncement ("I now pronounce you married"). A wedding script is included in this package.

Can I add to or change the ceremony or vows?

Our price includes the standard ceremony and vow script. Any changes must be arranged directly with the officiant, and any additional fees are paid to them by you. The script that our officiants use is included in this PDF for your review.

What else do I need to know?

Your officiant should sign and return the license to the probate clerk. It is your responsibility to confirm this has been done in the timeframe required. If it has not been done, please let us know within 72 hours of the deadline.

QUESTIONS? OR READY TO BOOK?

Contact: jill@1861distillery.com



CEREMONY SCRIPT

WELCOME

Dear family and friends, welcome. We gather today to witness and celebrate the union of [Partner 1] and [Partner 2]. Today is a celebration of love, devotion, and the beautiful life they are building together. They have found in each other a true companion—someone to share in life’s moments, both big and small—and that is worth celebrating.

REFLECTION

Marriage is more than a legal bond—it’s a promise to walk through life side by side, offering strength in challenges and joy in successes. It is built on trust, respect, and a deep care that lasts through all seasons. Today, [Partner 1] and [Partner 2] begin this new chapter with all of us here to witness and support them.

PROCLAMATION OF CONSENT (Required)

[Partner 1]: Do you take [Partner 2] to be your lawfully wedded spouse, to love and respect them, in good times and in bad, for as long as you both shall live? I do.

[Partner 2]: Do you take [Partner 1]... I do.

VOWS

You may now share the vows you’ve prepared.

If none prepared: Repeat after me — “I promise to love you, honor you, and be faithful to you, for as long as we both shall live.”

RINGS (Optional)

[Partner 1]: “I give you this ring as a symbol of my love, my faith, and my commitment to you.”

(Repeat for Partner 2.)

PRONOUNCEMENT (Required)

By the authority vested in me by the State of Georgia, I now pronounce you married. You may seal your vows with a kiss.

PRESENTATION

It is my great honor to present, for the very first time: [Preferred couple introduction].

1861 Distillery Wedding Agreement

This agreement outlines the terms and conditions for hosting a wedding ceremony at 1861 Distillery. By submitting a reservation and retainer, the couple acknowledges and agrees to the following terms:

WEDDING DATE: _____ WEDDING TIME: _____

Reservation & Payment

- A non-refundable retainer of \$250 is required to reserve your wedding date. If cancellation is made more than 90 days prior, we will refund \$125 of the retainer. No refunds will be issued for cancellations made with less than 90 days' notice, regardless of reason. The remaining balance is due before the start of the ceremony on the event day.

Ceremony & Venue Use

- The event is rain or shine. In the event of inclement weather, the ceremony will be moved inside to our distilling room. We will make every effort to accommodate the couple and guests comfortably in that space.
- Your rental includes 2.5 hours of venue use, beginning at the scheduled ceremony start time. This includes the ceremony itself and up to 2 hours of post-ceremony celebration on the patio.
- A basic wedding arch will be provided. Couples are welcome to add décor to tables only. No items may be attached to walls, barrels, or equipment. You may put flower arrangements on the two barrels if you wish. Decorations requiring tape, nails, or adhesive are not permitted. All decorations must be removed at the end of the event, or a \$50 cleaning fee will apply. Any items left behind may be discarded.
- Guests are welcome to bring in a wedding cake to enjoy during your celebration. Please note that couples are responsible for providing their own plates, napkins, and utensils, as these items are not supplied by the distillery. If needed, there is a grocery store conveniently located just across the street that may have what you need. Any additional outside food and drink are not allowed.
- Unless otherwise requested in writing, 1861 Distillery reserves the right to use images from your event for marketing and promotional purposes.

Guest Seating & Amenities

- Seating for up to 24 guests will be provided. Seating may vary but generally consists of picnic tables.
- Each guest will receive a ½ oz. pour of our Amaretto to use in a celebratory toast offered by the officiant. Tasting glasses are to be returned following the toast. If glasses are missing or broken, the couple agrees to cover the replacement cost.

Couple's Keepsake

- The couple will receive one bottle of their choice (vodka, gin, rum, amaretto, bourbon, or whiskey), excluding any special editions, packaged in a keepsake box.
- Wedding advice and well-wishes cards will be provided for guests who wish to leave a note for the couple.

Officiant & Ceremony Details

- An officiant is included in your wedding package. The ceremony will follow a time-tested script that reflects the joy and sincerity of the occasion. If the couple wishes to incorporate custom elements, they may contact the officiant in advance to discuss possible upgrades. Any additional payment required will be worked out directly with the officiant and paid to them.
- The couple is solely responsible for:
 - Securing a valid marriage license in accordance with Georgia law.
 - Providing the license on the day of the wedding.
 - Confirming with the clerk of court that the license was completed and signed by all necessary parties, and filed as required with the issuing probate court. If this does not happen, please notify us at least 72 hours before the deadline so we can do what we can to assist.

Liability & Contingencies

- In the unlikely event the scheduled officiant is unable to perform the ceremony due to illness, accident, act of God, 1861 Distillery will make every reasonable effort to provide a qualified replacement. However, no guarantee is made. 1861 Distillery is not liable for lost or damaged personal items, adverse weather conditions, or interruptions due to circumstances beyond our control.

WEDDING PARTNER 1 NAME

PHONE

WEDDING PARTNER 2 NAME

PHONE

WEDDING PARTNER 1 SIGNATURE

DATE

WEDDING PARTNER 2 SIGNATURE

DATE