



*Central Vermont
Wedding
Planner*

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“Let us make your dreams come true.”

It has been said that “Vermont weddings last forever.” Central Vermont is the perfect spot for your special day. In the quaint valley towns of Warren, Waitsfield and Moretown you'll find just the right setting for the wedding of your dreams. Peaceful farms, flower filled meadows, covered bridges, steeped New England churches dot the valley landscape. The majestic Green Mountains rise to the west and the beautiful Roxbury and Northfield ridges to the east. Central Vermont's country inns and/or classic New England towns can provide a unique setting for your wedding, reception and guest accommodations. Caring, knowledgeable innkeepers attend to your every need and help relieve the stress of planning and carrying out the details of your big day.



For weddings large or small, lavish or simple - whether a do-it-yourself or a we'll-do-it-all-for-you affair - here in our valley you'll find it all!



A surprising number of truly gifted people have chosen to live and work in our valley. Here you'll find extraordinary artists who make magic with flowers, food, music, wedding cakes, photography - you name it! Want a seamstress? A calligrapher? A printer? Unique gifts? A manicure or hair styling party for your bridesmaids? A massage? Lots of activities to make a weekend vacation for your guests? They're all right here!

Whether you choose to: be married on a mountain top or in a little white church by the river, have a reception for 300 in a sparkling white Camelot style tent in a garden or an intimate party in a cozy country Inn, arrive in a long white

limousine, a horse drawn carriage or in the back of a bright red antique truck, whether your taste in music runs to string quartets, bagpipes or rock.

You'll find everything you've always dreamed of - and more - right here!

From modern to classic white steepled churches, our area abounds with possibilities. Perhaps you have imagined a great green field for the ceremony or a hilltop retreat. Come visit and find the location of your choice.

Churches

Church	Location	Phone Number
Barre City Park Gazebo	Barre	(802) 476-0240
Beth Jacob Synagog	Montpelier	(802) 229-9429
Bethany United Church of Crist	Montpelier	(802) 223-2424
East Barre Congregational Church	East Barre	(802) 476-6454
Hedding United Methodist Church	Barre	(802) 476-8156
Presbyterian Church	Barre	(802) 476-3966
St. Monicas Catholic Church	Barre	(802) 476-6514
Unitarian Church of Montpelier	Montpelier	(802) 223-7861
Washington Baptist Church	Washington	(802) 883-5509

Vermont Makes A Perfect Wedding



Some say it is the hospitality of the people, some say the breathtaking landscape, others credit the cultural resources of the area that captures their spirit. If you dream of a romantic, memorable wedding, we can bring that dream to life in Central Vermont.



The Law Getting Married in Vermont

Do We Need a Marriage License?

Yes. Before your ceremony, you will need to purchase a Vermont marriage license. It must be presented to the officiant before your marriage is performed. While your license may be purchased up to two months before your ceremony, it "becomes void after sixty days from the date of issue if proposed marriage is not solemnized."

Do We Need Blood Test? No.

Where Do We Get a Marriage License?

If bride and groom are both Vermont residents, you may go to the town clerk's office in either of your towns of residence. If just one of you is a resident, you must go to the clerk of the town where the one resident currently lives.

What if We are not Vermont Residents?

First, decide where in Vermont you want to be married. Out-of-State residents must buy their license in the county where they plan to marry. Any town clerk in that county can issue the license.

How Much Does a Vermont Marriage License Cost?

A Vermont marriage license costs \$30 - \$55 depending on the county.

Who May Be Married in Vermont?

A man and a woman who are each at least 18 years old may marry in Vermont. If you are at least 16, but under 18, you will need the consent of a parent or guardian. Your parent or guardian should accompany you to the town clerk's office to sign an affidavit giving you permission to marry. The affidavit is on the back of the marriage license and is a legal part of the license. If one or both of you are under the age of 16 and a Vermont resident, you may not be married in the state of Vermont unless you first furnish the town clerk with a certificate from a probate, district or superior court judge of the district or county in which the under-age person resides. If the under-age person is not a Vermont resident, you must furnish the town clerk with a certificate from the judge of the district or county in which the marriage will take place. By Vermont law, no one under the age of 14 may marry in Vermont.

Are There Any other Marriage Restrictions?

Anyone under guardianship may not marry without the guardian's written consent. Vermont also does not allow marriage between close relatives. You cannot marry your mother, father, grandparent, sister, brother, grandchild, niece, nephew, aunt, or uncle. First cousins who are Vermont residents or residents of another state where marriage between first cousins is allowed may marry each other in Vermont. You cannot marry in Vermont to evade the laws of the state where you live. You cannot marry if either of you is currently married to someone else. The law requires that both parties be of sound mind.

What Information Do We Need to Purchase a Marriage License in Vermont?

You must know your legal town of residence and your place and date of birth; you will also need to know your parents' names including your mother's maiden name, and the states where your parents were born. (A certified copy of your birth certificate can supply most of this information.) Vermont law requires that at least one of you must sign in the presence of the town clerk, certifying that all facts are correct; however, town clerks prefer to see both of you in person before issuing your license to marry, as the law requires that they satisfy themselves that you are both free to marry under Vermont laws. They legally ask to see documented proof of your statements, for example birth certificates, divorce decrees, etc.

What Statistical Information Will I Need to Provide? You will need to provide information about your race, the highest grade you completed in school, the number of times you have been married and how your previous marriage(s), if any, ended. This information does not become part of the marriage certificate.

What if Either of Us Has Been Married Before?

If you are a widow or widower, you are free to marry. You will be asked the date your spouse died. If you are divorced, you may remarry after the date on which your previous married is dissolved.

Can a Marriage License Be Issued Through the Mail? No.

Can We be Married by Proxy? No.

Is There a Waiting Period? No.

Where can we get Married?

A Vermont License is valid only for a marriage performed in Vermont. If you are a Vermont resident or are marrying a Vermont resident, you may be married anywhere in Vermont. If you are not a Vermont resident, you must be married in the county where your license was issued.

Who May Marry Us?

A judge, supreme court justice, assistant judge, justice of the peace, or an ordained or licensed minister, rabbi or priest residing in Vermont or authorized by their denomination may perform your ceremony. A priest, rabbi, or minister from another state may perform your ceremony if he or she obtains a special authorization from a probate court in the district where the marriage will take place.

What do We Do with the License?

By law, you must deliver the license to the person who will conduct your wedding ceremony before the marriage can be performed.

Do We Need Witnesses?

Vermont law does not require witnesses. If you are planning a religious ceremony, check with your church or synagogue to see if religious tenets require witnesses for your marriage.

What Happens to the License After the Ceremony?

After the ceremony, the person who performs the ceremony (officiant) will complete the sections concerning the date, place and officiant information, and sign your license. It must then be returned by the officiant to the town clerk's office where it was issued within ten (10) days, so that your marriage may be officially registered. It is not a complete legal document, useful for passports, Social Security, etc., until it has been recorded in the town clerk's office where it was purchased.

How Do We Get a Copy of Our Marriage Certificate?

There are two ways to get a copy of your marriage certificate:

- (1) When you purchase your license, you may arrange with the town clerk to mail you a certified copy of your certificate as soon as your marriage is recorded. The cost will be \$30 - \$55 (\$23 - \$45 for the license and \$7 - \$10 for the certified copy);
- (2) Two weeks or more after the ceremony, you may request, in person or in writing, a copy from the town clerk's office where you purchased your license; or six or more weeks after the ceremony, you may request in person or in writing, a certified copy from the Vermont Department of Health, Vital Records Unit, 108 Cherry Street, P.O. Box 70, Burlington, Vermont 05402. Either way, the fee is \$5, and you will receive a copy of the original certificate, embossed with the town or state seal and signed and dated by the appropriate official. These certified copies are accepted for all legal purposes.

Wedding Planning Numbers

The following are Central Vermont businesses and their phone numbers to help plan your unforgettable Vermont wedding.

Cake Designers

Delicate Decadence	Barre	(802) 479-7948
Gesine Confectionary	Montpelier	(802) 224-9930
La Brioché Bakery	Montpelier	(802) 229-0443
Vermont Cake Studio	Waterbury	(802) 244-5151

Caterers

Farmhouse Cafe & Catering	East Calais	(802) 456-9900
La Brioché Bakery	Montpelier	(802) 229-0443
Michael's on the Hill	Waterbury	(802) 244-7476

DJ's

Blue Moon Entertainment	Barre	(866) 419-2728
Bush Spieler Music	Waterbury	(802) 244-7237
Disk Jockey Events of Vermont	East Montpelier	(802) 223-0803
Jubal Harp (Live Music)	Montpelier	(802) 229-0449
Music Mix Mobile DJ Service	Barre	(802) 476-8177
Peak Entertainment	Stowe	(802) 888-6978
Shane's DJ Karaoke	Williamstown	(802) 433-1461
SuperSounds DJ Company	Barre	(802) 899-2823

Photographers & Videographers

Beltromi Studios	Barre	(802) 229-0443
Charlie Brown Productions	Waitsfield	(802) 583-2410
Curran Photography	Waitsfield	(802) 496-4603
Emerald Video Company	Montpelier	(802) 223-4743
Fisher Photography	Waitsfield	(802) 496-5215
Larry Asam Photography	Waterbury	(802) 244-7954
Patty Murphy Memories	Montpelier	(802) 229-6260
Peregrine Productions	Waterbury	(802) 318-5289
Spencer Leonard Photography	Warren	(802) 917-1509
Vermont Memories	Montpelier	(802) 223-1631
Vermont Wedding Video	Montpelier	(802) 749-3934

Limousines & Transportation

City Lights Limousine	Barre	(802) 479-0009
Classic Limo Service		(802) 985-5460

Dresses & Tuxedos

Lubiana's Bridal Shop	Barre	(802) 479-1966
Shaline Bridal & Formal Ware	Montpelier	(802) 223-4777

Floral Designers

Jerome The Florist	Barre	(802) 479-3278
Flowers by Emslie & Company	Barre	(802) 476-3126
Pink Shutter	Montpelier	(802) 223-3413
The Painted Tulip	Waterbury	(802) 279-4371
Theo Hengstenberg Wedding Floral Design	Waitsfield	(800) 639-2415

Spas & Salons

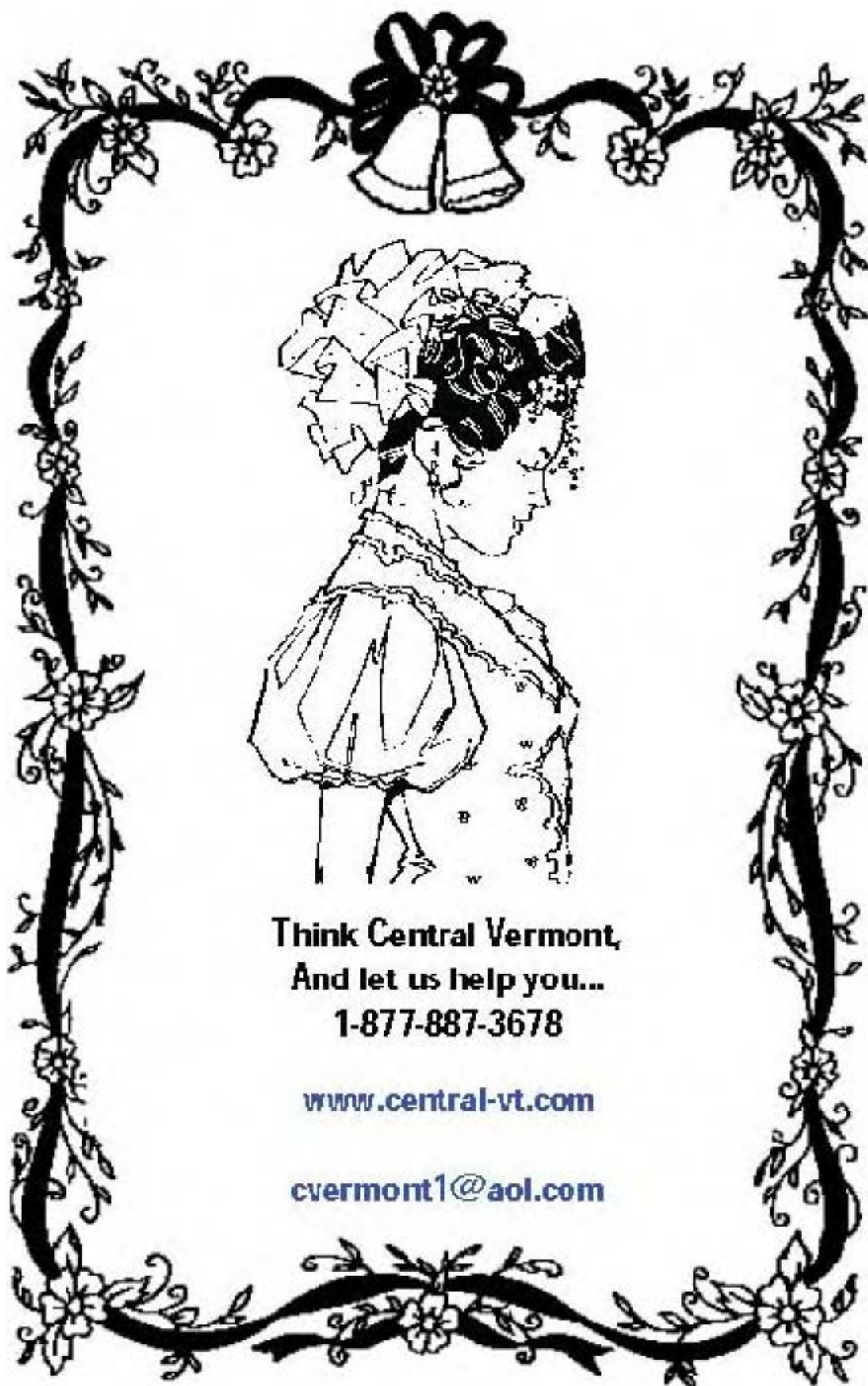
Aspirations Salon & Day Spa	Barre	(802) 479-3394
Dosha Salon & Day Spa	Montpelier	(802) 223-6888
Fresh Look Salon	Northfield	(802) 485-4801
Jan's Beauty Boutique	Montpelier	(802) 229-0366
Sundara Day Spa	Berlin	(802) 476-4476

Wedding Checklist

	<i>Phone Number</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Reception	() -	\$
Catering	() -	\$
Dress	() -	\$
Music	() -	\$
Favors	() -	\$
Flowers	() -	\$
Gifts	() -	\$
Honeymoon	() -	\$
Invitations	() -	\$
Photographer	() -	\$
Limousine	() -	\$
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	() -	\$
	() -	\$
TOTAL		\$

Legal summary provided by the Vital Records Unit, Vermont Department of Health, Agency of Human Services, P.O. Box 70, 108 Cherry St., Burlington, Vermont, 05402

Laws and prices are subject to change. Detailed questions, further information, or specifics for your marriage should be confirmed with the department. 802-863-7275 or 1-800-439-5008



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