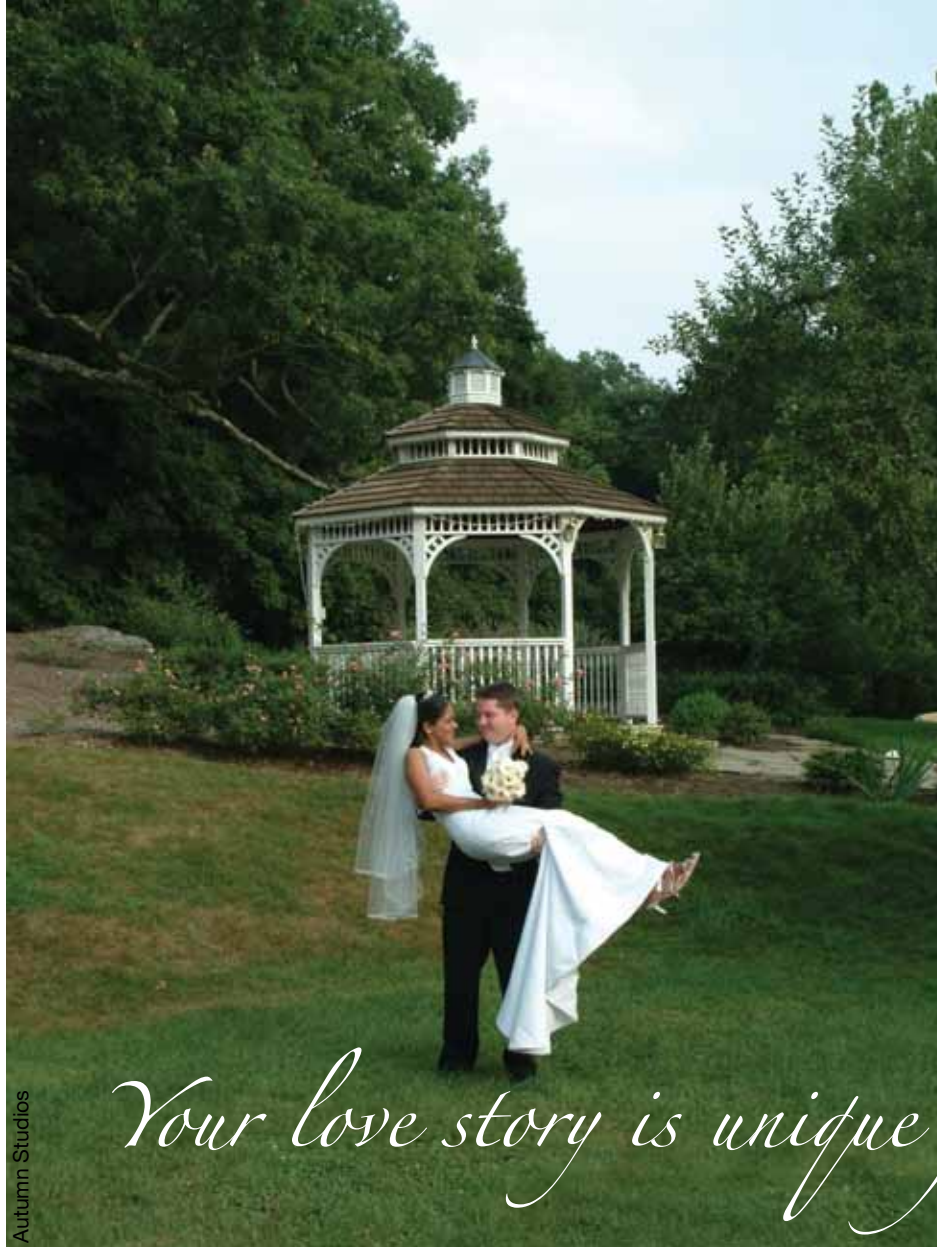




Tarrywile Mansion
Where your love story unfolds



***“We can’t thank you enough for all your help in planning our October wedding. You were so helpful and easy to deal with. We absolutely loved the property, as did our guests.”
Kathleen Dowd & Wayne Mattox***



Your love story is unique from any other and so

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Simple or elaborate. Contemporary or traditional. Formal or relaxed. Whatever your style, our goal is to help you create your happy ever after.

From the moment you drive up the tree lined drive and glimpse the Mansion, to entering the grand front door, you will experience the romantic elegance that is Tarrywile Mansion.

Surrounded by formal landscaping and hundreds of acres of wooded parkland, Tarrywile Mansion evokes the refinement and style of a bygone era. The semi-circular veranda with Doric columns

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is your wedding.

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and porte-cochere, elegant Victorian Conservatory, beautiful tray ceiling, parquet floors with inlaid marquetry and wood paneling, exemplify the Gilded Age. The Gazebo and Grape Arbor provide an intimate setting for an outdoor ceremony.

Dedicated to weddings, celebrations and conferences, Tarrywile Mansion differentiates itself from other venues by hosting only one event each day, providing the opportunity for you to create a truly unique and memorable experience.



It's All In The Details

- ◆ Only one event each day, you choose the rental period you need
- ◆ Accommodates:
 - 100 guests for a seated/buffet event
 - 150 guests for a standing/cocktail event
 - 150 guests for an outdoor tent event
- ◆ Over 700 acres of parklands and manicured grounds
- ◆ On-site wedding ceremonies
- ◆ Fully air conditioned
- ◆ Bride's Room & Groom's Room
- ◆ Full catering kitchen
- ◆ First floor fully accessible to people with disabilities
- ◆ Mansion supervisor present throughout the event
- ◆ Tables and chairs provided for use in the Mansion or Veranda
- ◆ Nearby hotel accommodations available
- ◆ Conveniently located to Western Connecticut and lower Hudson Valley, NY





***“Thank you so much for the perfect place to have our wedding celebration! The Mansion was a spectacular place for the event. Everyone at Tarrywile was so helpful and flexible and you made planning a breeze.”
Mei-Ling & Thom Uliasz***

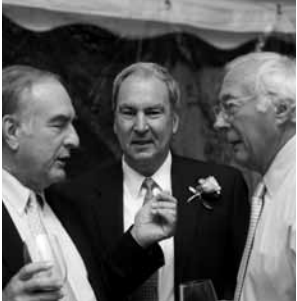
Your Picture Perfect Setting

For your ceremony or photos, choose between the Veranda, overlooking the Children’s Garden, or the Gazebo, with swathes of daffodils and forsythia in the spring, peonies and irises in late spring and pink roses in summer, or the Grape Arbor which is popular in summer with the vines laden with grapes.

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The Mansion Rooms Await You

The spacious and elegant entrance hall with its elegant staircase, wood paneling, and beautiful herringbone floor, is flanked by four large gathering rooms that set the scene for your special day. The Veranda overlooks the sweeping front lawn and is the perfect place for your cocktail hour.





Kristen Jensen



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***“I wanted to drop you a quick note to thank you for everything. Our event went off without a hitch and I can not say enough good things about your staff and facility. The Mansion and grounds were beautiful and the Conservatory ended up being just a spectacular location for our ceremony.”
Martha Burr***

The Conservatory, Drawing and Dining Rooms

The light and bright Drawing Room with traditional fireplace leads to the Victorian Conservatory, with its tiled floor and magnificent chandelier. A beautiful location to exchange your vows.

The elegant Dining Room with its original tray ceiling and built in china cabinets is often used for a buffet location or guest seating.



The Bride's Room

Nestled atop the second floor, this tranquil room provides privacy for the bride and her wedding party to prepare and have a little fun. Memories are captured as the bride descends the broad oak staircase to meet her groom.



The Groom's Room

Originally the family guest room, this second floor retreat provides a relaxing atmosphere for the groom and groomsmen to prepare for the special occasion.



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Kristen Jensen

Frequently Asked Questions

“One of the main reasons we decided to go with Tarrywile for our wedding is because of the customer service we received right from day one!”

Jen McAlley

Do you provide catering or can I bring in my own?

You have the opportunity to hand-select the caterer that fits your style and budget. We have a list of approved caterers from which you may choose. These caterers have catered here often and have demonstrated that they are committed to creating a memorable day for our brides. Should the nature of your event require a type of food and beverage service that cannot be provided by our caterers, you may request an exception to bring in a different caterer.

How long is the Mansion rental?

The rental period is for nine hours which includes two hours for set up, a six hour reception and one hour for clean up. We only host one event per day, so you can choose the hours that you would like to have the Mansion available.

Is the Mansion available for Bridal Showers or Rehearsal Dinners?

Absolutely. The Mansion is also available for other types of events including anniversary parties, Bar Mitzvahs, baby showers, meetings and conferences. Please contact us to discuss your specific needs.

Can the Mansion host wedding ceremonies?

Ceremonies can be held on the property. The most popular places are the Conservatory, the Gazebo, and the Grape Arbor. There is no extra fee for having your ceremony at the Mansion.

Is there someone from the Mansion available to help me plan my event?

Our staff is happy to help you along the way; we have hosted a myriad of weddings and know what works and what doesn't. A staff person is here during your wedding to take care of the building and assist you and your vendors. A beautiful mansion, the freedom to choose all your vendors and design your own wedding, will make your special day personalized and memorable.

Is the building air-conditioned?

Tarrywile Mansion is fully air-conditioned. The first floor is also fully accessible to people with disabilities, has a full service commercial kitchen and there is ample parking.

Are you able to recommend wedding service providers such as caterers, florists, photographers etc?

Absolutely! In fact at the back of this brochure you will find several vendors who have worked with us before and are familiar with the Mansion. Feel free to speak with each of them to determine who will best meet your vision.

How is liquor service handled?

Liquor liability insurance is required to serve liquor and can be provided by your carrier or ask our staff for alternative sources.

Can the Mansion grounds be tented?

Yes, up one hundred and fifty guests can be accommodated in a tent on one of two sites.

What is included in the rental fee?

We provide tables and chairs for use throughout the Mansion and Veranda. Liability insurance is the responsibility of the renter.

Where do I get more information about holding my wedding at Tarrywile Mansion?

Please contact us between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at 203-744-3130 or visit our web site: www.tarrywile.com

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At light at end of ramp take a left on to Sugar Hollow Road. At next light, make a left onto Wooster Heights.

Go straight for 0.9 mile and at the stop sign, make a right onto Southern Blvd. Go 0.6 mile and Southern Boulevard will make a sharp right hand turn, The Mansion entrance is 100 yards further on the right.

FROM ROUTE 7 NORTH FROM NORWALK:

Take the left hand exit ramp for Danbury Airport. At the end of the ramp, turn right onto Wooster Heights. Go 0.8 mile and follow directions above.

Parking is available directly to your right as you enter the driveway, or follow signs to the upper Mansion parking lot.

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The History of Tarrywile Mansion

With its hip-on-gable roof with multiple dormers, large tapering chimney stacks, semi-circular veranda with Doric columns and porte-cochere, Tarrywile Mansion is a fine example of the “shingle style” Victorian-era American home architecture. As such, it was accepted and entered on the National Register of Historic Places in 1987.

“I wanted to express my thanks to Tarrywile, you were very patient with us and absolutely wonderful to work with”

Kevin Dix

Situated atop a ridge known once as “Cedar Grove”, on Southern Boulevard in Danbury, Connecticut, the sprawling 23-room “big house” was designed and built in 1896 (by the New York City architectural firm of Child and DeGoll) for Dr. William C. Wile, Danbury’s first medical examiner and the principal benefactor of Danbury Hospital.

The grounds exhibit the eclecticism common during the early twentieth century; an English park-like lawn, ornamental trees, large bordered flower beds and a Japanese Garden, which reflect the original owners interests and travels. Today, a variety of magnificent mature trees including copper beech, ginko, pine, false cypress and maple, are his lasting legacy.

Wile sold Tarrywile in 1910 to Charles Darling Parks, who as President of American Hatters and Furriers Co. Inc., the nation’s leading supplier of furs and hatting, was one of Danbury’s great

entrepreneurial successes. Parks had begun life an orphan, experienced a youth of indentured service to an Iowa farmer and returned East in his twenties to realize his own “American dream”.

C. D. Parks expanded the property over the next several decades to include a farm, vast woodlands and what would become another National Landmark in 1987, the distinctive “Hearthstone Castle”. He purchased the Castle as a wedding gift for his daughter Irene, whose reception was the first to be held in the Mansion.

He enclosed much of the original estate with a stone wall, created a lake and several ponds, constructed a greenhouse and added a conservatory to the main house. At one time, the family holdings included one of the state’s largest independent dairy farms, as well as cornfields and peach & apple orchards.

Faithful to C. D. Parks’ vision and commitment to creating a place of natural beauty, his heirs held on to most of the property through the 1970’s and early 1980’s. In 1985 the City of Danbury purchased the estate consisting of 19 buildings and 535 acres, which is designated for passive recreation, for \$4.7 million. Additional acres were added to the Park over the course of the past several years bringing the total acreage to over 700 acres.



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