

2024 Group Info & Pricing

General Information:

Group Rate: Groups are defined as motorcoach and organizational groups with 15 or more people making an advance registration. The group admission rate for 2024 is \$14 per person, with confirmed reservations. Please contact us as holiday and peak times rates may apply. Admission includes a self-guided visit of our site and any non-fee program(s) that are happening that <u>day.</u> Non-group admission prices can be found <u>here</u>.

What's at Billings? Plan your visit and check out the list of things to do and see.

Our Mission: Inspiring and engaging generations through shared stories of Vermont's rural culture and our continued practice of responsible agriculture. **More**

Our Story: Billings Farm was established in 1871 as a model dairy farm. Today we are owned and operated by The Woodstock Foundation, a nonprofit 501c3 institution. More

Quick Links:

<u>Groups Homepage:</u> Directions & Local Food Options and more. <u>Site Map</u>

Policies for Group Reservations and Motorcoach Visits:

- Please schedule your group reservation 14 days before arrival.
- Confirmation of the number of guests must be made no later than 48 hours before arrival. Your group will be charged for the number of guests confirmed at that time (unless the attendance is higher on arrival day, then you will be charged the greater amount).
- If you reserve a space for lunch, please make sure to clean up after yourself. Please do not leave trash on our site.
- Drop off location: Visitor Center in front of the Museum.
- Please have your group **remain on the bus** until a Billings Farm & Museum staff member greets you.
- Please let your drivers know **NO idling buses** at the Visitor Center or in the bus parking lot.

- Cider and ice cream will be handed out upon arrival, if applicable.
- Please forward any relevant information and communications to the tour leaders or other staff who will accompany your group. BF&M is not responsible for anyone beyond the contracted entity for communications.

We apologize: We are unable to accommodate same day food/beverage/activity add-ons.

Cancellation policy: We kindly request that all Motorcoach groups cancel at least 30 days prior to your scheduled visit.

Add-ons for Groups:

We offer lunch space site rentals, food & beverage options, and hands-on activities that complement a self-guided group visit to Billings Farm & Museum. To add an option(s) to your reservation, please email Charlene (cpeavey@billingsfarm.org) at least 14 days prior to your arrival date. We are unable to accommodate same day food or activity add-on. Please inquire about add-on availability during peak times as options may be limited.

Cancellation policy: We kindly request that we receive all cancellations a minimum of 30 days prior to your scheduled visit. Failure to do so will result in a fee of \$50.

Reserving Spaces:

- Reserved seating for up to 50 people is available at either tables or picnic tables.
- One trash bag for trash accumulated while on our site will be provided. Thank you for not bringing in additional trash to discard. Extra trash bag fee: \$15/bag.
- Inquire directly about pricing if your reservation is greater than 50 people.

Reservation Fee: \$75 per hour in increments of one hour. Extra trash bag fee: \$15/bag. **Both set up and break down time is included in your rental time.**

Reservations are required for groups to eat on-site together. Tables cannot be reserved without advanced reservations.

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Food & Beverages:

Ice Cream: Wilcox Ice Cream Cups *Made in Vermont by Wilcox Ice Cream.*

Dietary alternative: Sorbet bars

Allergens: Dairy Price: \$3.50/cup

Cold Apple Cider Pints

Authentic Vermont Apple Cider. Available seasonally.

Dietary Alternative: None

Allergens: Apples Price: \$4.25/pint

Hands-on Activities:

Billings Farm Cheddar Cheese Tasting

Try our award-winning cheddar cheeses! One of our staff members will guide you through a cheese tasting experience! (Cheeses available for purchase in the gift shop after the tasting.)

Limit: 60/group

Time Required: approximately 20 minutes Cost: \$8/person - minimum of 10 participants

Butter Making Demonstration

Learn how butter is made in this 20 - 30 minute demonstration. Guests will be able taste the delicious fresh butter after it is made.

Limit: 75/group

Time Required: Up to 30 minutes

Cost: \$8/person minimum of 10 participants

Wagon Rides

One of our farm staff will take guests through our idyllic farm pastures on a half-mile loop. See our Jersey heifers in the fields and relax in the Vermont scenery. *Available seasonally and conditions permitting.*

12-15 people/group. We can accommodate up to four groups in an hour.

Time Required: 10-15 minutes/group (12-15 people = 1 group)

Cost: \$15/person/21 - 60 people

Under 20 people must be reserved as a Private Wagon Ride. Information and registration can

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be found here: Horse-Drawn Rides.