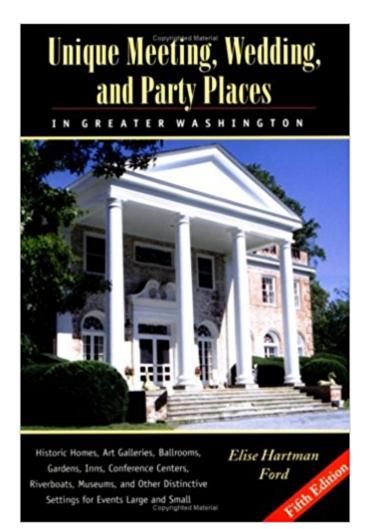


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# Unique Meeting, Wedding And Party Places In Greater Washington: Historic Homes, Art Galleries, Ballrooms, Gardens, Inns, Conference Centers, Riverboat





## Synopsis

Whether you entertain 50 VIPs at a formal dinner, 100 business associates at a sales luncheon, 200 friends at a wedding reception, or 5,000 conventioneers at an outdoor gala, you'll find no more elegant and romantic place to host a gathering than Washington, D.C. and suburban Maryland and Virginia. Organized by the number of participants a site can accommodate, the possibilities include embassies, famous galleries and museums, riverboats on the Potomac, and the former home of a president.

### **Book Information**

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#### **Customer Reviews**

This book is really cheap, but still not worth the money. The book is helpfully organized by the size of your meeting (or in my case wedding reception), and a useful (if out of date) description of places that can hold that many people. That means, however, that there are only about 20 suggestions (per venue size) that will apply to you. I wanted something in MD, and there were only a handful of suggestions; most were in Alexandria. It also didn't give you much more than what you see on any wedding website for venues. Skip it.

Good book, deliver promptly, book condition meets our expectation. The book is a good guide to the places in DC, VA and MD great for parties, wedding and celebration.

Very good and helpful . Just no longer published so a little out of date.

This book is totally fine, but it's full of information from simple, obvious internet searches. It's nice to have something in your hands to look through, but other than that it's pretty unnecessary.

When our two daughters recently became engaged, I ran out to buy this new Unique Places book, written by local author Elise Ford. For the price, (around \$20 including shipping. For our weddings, each around 120 guests for sit-down dinner, I found this book not helpful. Locally distributed free publications have more information, more sites, similar information on costs, and are more a propos for planning weddings. This book would be useful for an organization, or for planners of galas or huge corporate functions. Most of the interesting locations do not allow private parties, especially weddings. A small percentage of the locations would be suitable for 'small' parties of around 100. I will donate this book to a non-profit organization I belong to. Many sites are excellent for large non-profit gatherings. Other sites have their own food preparation on site so renter can't bring in one's own caterer. A few private clubs are included, but not enough. This book might be helpful to some people, but not to this family. I should have checked it out in the library first. Mea culpa! Fine for event planners... but not mothers of brides.

I used an earlier edition, but I would assume they won't differ too much. This was an invaluable resource for our initial wedding planning. We were able to find out ahead of time and w/o phone calls that some sites we were interested in were too small to accomodate our guests. And, then we used it to investigate locations we had never thought of, or knew existed. I have also used the book as a resource when planning social events for a non-profit association. Again, we narrowed our selections based on size and found locations that we did not know of.My event planning went much more smoothly because of this book, and I have loaned it to several friends who have also praised its resources.

My husband and I are not from the DC area, but have settled here. We knew we wanted a DC area wedding, knew we wanted it outdoor, but didn't know where to go from there. This book breaks down sites by how many guests it can accomodate, and lets you know prices, rules, etc. This saved me hours of phone calls and pointless drives to sites that wouldn't have been right for us. If you know the DC area, this might not be the right book for you, but for us carpetbaggers, it was a lifesaver!

My sister found this book years ago when she was looking for sites for her wedding. I used it to help

find a location for my companies 25th anniversary party. I had to buy a newer version when I was scouting locations for my own wedding! If found wonderful places I never heard of before. It saved me a lot of time and energy by eliminating contacting places that would not have been a good fit.

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