Maison Albion

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Welcome to Maison Albion

Maison Albion is a historic mansion reimagined to host magnificent weddings and events. Located in Albion, New York, your guests are transported to a time of luxurious craftsmanship, baroque decadence, and lavish celebrations.

The 1878 mansion features a breathtaking ballroom and parklike grounds reminiscent of a late 19th century French estate. Close to Buffalo, Rochester, Toronto, and New York City, but located in the quaint town of Albion, New York, you will find the most magical wedding and event venue.

The vision of Maison Albion is to ignite the romance and imagination of all who enter her gates. May they be transported to another time in history when gardens bloomed with color galore and interiors beamed in subtle tones of splendor.

The English Country gardens welcome guests to stroll and lounge the manicured lawn. You can enjoy a picnic on the Great Lawn, indulge in a romantic dinner in the Secret Garden, and even cozy up with your beloved in the handcrafted rowboat floating gently in the pond. Guests also have the option to stay overnight in one of our four exquisitely decorated guest bedrooms with access to amazing restaurants, hotels and businesses within minutes of Maison Albion.

Our Past

In January 1832, Stephen A. Knaap purchased the land formerly known as "The Hickories". The land consisted of seven barns and two tenant houses. In 1849, Samuel R. Howes purchased the land which his son, Arthur C. Howes later inherited. The original land contained twenty-one acres of apples including, Maiden Blush, Kings, Baldwins, Greenings and the Twenty Ounce. The rest of the farm was utilized for growth of hay, corn, wheat, oats, potatoes, cabbage and other fruits. While Howes owned the property, tenant buildings were considered "high-class" consisting of a modern frame, lighted by gas and heated by hot water and hot air.In 1879, the land was inherited by William Carr's first wife, Myrtie Carr.

The Carr family built the home, formerly known as "The White Pillars" and used the farm land for dairy cows. The home was an Italianate style home, with the pillars being added in 1914. In 1944 Myrtie Carr unexpectedly passed away. As a widower, William then meets his second wife Patricia who was significantly younger than he. Patricia moved to New York City at the age of 16 and was a showgirl for years. She then moved to Orleans County with William, they married and she learned to be a farmer's wife. Patricia kept a journal of her experiences at the home. Survived by her step-grandchild Nicki Carr Tiffany, the book The Long-Legged View was published. In the novel, Patricia mentions a photo of a purple peacock on the wall, and during Kerri and Cole's restoration of the home, a purple peacock was added to the dining room wall as a reference to the memory. After the death of William Carr, the home was turned into apartments where many lived throughout the 1960's and onward.

In 2010 Scott Root and Tony McMurtrie purchased the home and began restoring it into its original figure, as the space had been completely abandoned. The ballroom was established in 2010, and was inspired by The Titanic ballroom. Each year, the previous owners held a Titanic Ball as well as weekly Friday night dinners. Rumours surrounding a haunting within the home circulated throughout the county. Eventually, Ghost Hunters arrived at the property and produced an episode. Later, the spooky allegations were debunked.

Our Present

The Glovers purchased "The Pillars" in July 2020, and began her restoration and development into a wedding and event venue. Every surface was plastered, painted, and touched. Handmade 11.5' bookcases were added to the gentlemen's lounge, gold silk wallpaper to the dining room, and home antiquities were purchased from the Waldorf Astoria Auction in New York.

Although there are many before and after photos of the grounds and mansion during the restoration period, it was important to the new owners that the history of the property was honored. Details like Victorian push button light switches were added and original chandeliers were rewired in order to bring the original beauty back to Maison. Even the famous pillars on the porch were replaced and, using historical photographs, the original style of the mansion was restored.

The vision of Maison Albion is to ignite the romance and imagination of all who enter her gates. May you and your guests be transported to another time in history when gardens bloomed with color galore and interiors beamed in subtle tones of splendor.

Our mission is to enchant our guests at every opportunity. From an encounter online on social media, to a phone call, or a site tour, we seek to welcome all of our guests with the utmost hospitality and care.

Maison Albion is a physical embodiment of Western New York's French influence. The natural charm and beauty of the property will be accented with light and airy French design and bright, cheery, and colorful gardens. This historic Albion mansion has been renovated and reinvigorated to ignite the romance and passion of its guests.

Maison Albion Team
at our annual
Fête de Nöel 2021

Our Pillars

Looking toward the future,
we have constructed the "Pillars of Maison" as our vows to you:

Love

We believe that everyone has the right to love who they want and to celebrate it too! At Maison Albion, we believe inclusion is the only way. Our doors will always be open to every couple and family for every type of celebration.

Freedom

At Maison Albion, we believe in the freedom to design your event the way you imagine. You are welcome to choose your vendors, your event design, and we encourage you to use our venue as if it were your own Maison. We do not charge fees to vendors to work at our property and we do not accept commissions from vendors.

Magic

We believe that magic is found in the little things. Fresh local weekly flower deliveries, antique love letters hidden in our drawers, lavender sachets and French chocolates for turn down service. Magic is made with memories, quiet moments, and beauty that can be created and found here at Maison Albion. We love our clients, and our clients love us.

Our Pillars

Preserving the past

Restoration, not renovation, is our philosophy for caring for our grande dame. Listening to her past and translating it into a restoration to preserve her for the future is our mission. We are merely the caretakers of these gorgeous grounds, preserving it for future generations to enjoy. The same care we give the mansion, we give to our guests. We want you to treat Maison Albion like your home - it is designed with antiques and our design is cozy, approachable and grand.

Creating a better future

Taking care of this beautiful earth and offsetting the footprint of events is a passion at Maison Albion. Our complex composting system feeds our landscape and we have an advanced recycling program on site. We use Blueland products with no parabens, PBNs or dyes in our laundry and hand soap on the property. We do not allow single use plastics on site. By 2025, Maison Albion will be heated and cooled by geothermal systems and 100% solar for power. It is our small way to take care of our lovely planet.

Investment

Monday - Thursday Dates
$3,000

Friday & Sunday Dates
$6,000

Saturday Dates
$7,500

Overnight stay in Maison Albion, sleeps eight
$1,500

Weekend rental of Maison Albion includes three event days and two overnight stays, sleeps eight
$15,000

At Maison Albion, we request a 50% site reservation fee to reserve your day and the balance is due 60 days prior to your event. Your reservation includes venue access from 10:00am to 1:00am. All events must be concluded by midnight.

Non-profit and community gatherings are permitted to apply for a complimentary venue rental and are offered 10 times per year. Please contact us for more information.

Inclusions

At Maison Albion, we believe venues should be full service and full of options.
Therefore, included with your site fee is:

- Freedom as to how to use the venue, and how you spend your day!
- Ceremony chairs, reception chairs, and tables for 200 guests.
- Ballroom patio furniture and seating for up to 50 guests and ballroom terrace furniture for 50 guests.
- Tabletop (everything you need to eat a fantastic meal) for up to 200 guests. Flatware, China, and water glass, table linens and napkins too!
- Entire use of our venue from 10am to 1am. Your event must be over by midnight or you will turn into a pumpkin. If you choose to stay over at Maison Albion, you are welcome to have an after party until 2am for a smaller group.
- Use of the most gorgeous mansion in Western New York for wedding prep. Bridal and Bridesmaids suites, Gentleman's Lounge, Movie Theater, and game room. Photos on the grounds of seven acres of English County Garden, a spin in our rowboat for two, and a ceremony in any location you choose!
- We will assist with vendor guidance, floor plan design, and day of management of your vendors.
- Complimentary one hour walkthrough rehearsal at your ceremony space
- The most flexibility you will ever find at a venue. Fire pit after the reception? S'mores please! Llamas as ring bearers? Why not? You dream, we will do it!

What we need you to add:

- Your beautiful love story, wedding design and decor, and flow of the day.
- All of the vendors you love the most - and we can help you find them!

Optional Additions:

These items are not included in your site fee, but they can be added. In addition, these items are price on a per hour based on labor. For example, our last mandap took nearly 10 hours for installation. These items create additional labor cost for our team, so bringing in additional staff for the installation is necessary:

- Farm Tables $50/each installation -
- Wedding arch $50
- Mandap $250
- Rubee vintage car rental $350 parked / $500 drive
- Additional labor decor hours $25 (behind basic escorts card setups, wedding details, etc.) This typically includes elaborate decor and hanging lighting and fabric, etc.
- Mixologie Bartending Services
- Overnight stays at the mansion

Spaces

The Ballroom

Modeled after the Dining Room of the Titantic, our Ballroom evokes the feeling of a bygone era. Rich dark wood walls and Belgian silk fabric panels set the stage for the sparkling chandeliers and stunning bar.

299 Guests Ceremony/Classroom/Cocktail
250 Guests Seated at round tables

Ballroom Patio

Authentic Parisian Bistro chairs and tables await your guests to offer respite from a warm summer day. The Ballroom Patio is full of palm and banana leaf trees, an antique box piano, and mint lattice details. It also serves as a perfect ceremony weather backup.

250 Guests Ceremony
150 Guests Cocktail/Dinner

The Garden Terrace

The pond at Maison Albion is a romantic setting for the most picturesque wedding ceremony. Walk down the stone aisle towards the water and your future. A perfect location for dinner under the stars.

299 Guests Ceremony/Cocktail/Dinner

Spaces

The Secret Garden

Among the stone mason base of the 1838 barn, The Secret Garden beckons you to dine under dripping wisteria and antique chandeliers. Designed for intimate celebrations, it can be set for a rehearsal dinner or bridal brunch. An outdoor fireplace is guaranteed to keep the chill away from spring and fall evenings.

75 Guests Ceremony
60 Guests Seated at rounds or farm tables

The Intimate Garden

Cocooned by a ten foot living wall, The Intimate Garden is a perfect square of hedges designed to emote the feeling of a French Garden in Western New York. Oversized antique iron gates flank an aspen tree, a dramatic backdrop for a wedding ceremony or dinner al fresco.

299 Guests Ceremony/Cocktail/Dinner

The Great Lawn

If you prefer a unique event with a backdrop of your custom design, our green seven acres welcome you to design your gathering. A vintage stone fountain, the original pillars draped in wisteria, or your own chandeliers hanging from a 300 year old tree are all possible on our Great Lawn.

1000+ Guests Ceremony

BED + BREAKFAST

Maison Albion opens its doors to guests to stay overnight after an event at our venue.Spend your wedding night with us, or you can even unwind after a day of festivities in our movie theatre.

Maison Albion has four unique rooms, designed with French provencal details and antique furniture. All rooms include luxury linens, robes, and turn down service. After your royal night's sleep, you will wake up to the smell of a homemade French breakfast served in our Dining Room.

BRIDAL SUITE

A custom French baroque bed, 10 foot tall antique gold mirror and vanity sets the perfect stage for a bridal moment and honeymoon evening. Full bathroom en suite.

BRIDESMAIDS SUITE

The 16 foot long resin vanity tabletop is set with antique sconces and five makeup and hair stations for your ladies to primp on the special day! Trundle bed sleeps two.

GUEST ROOMS

These two lovely bedrooms are both set with four poster beds, hand made linens in French and Chinoiserie design. These two rooms are perfect for parents or important guests.

Glamping

Glamping WNY on Maison Albion Grounds

Glamping (glamourous camping) is the perfect way to experience camping with all the comforts and convenience of Maison Albion.

Sleeping under the stars has never been more comfortable or enjoyable. While Glamping, you'll have full access to Maison Albion's amenities including bathrooms, fresh towels, and a French breakfast in the morning.

What's included in your glamping on Maison Albion grounds experience:

- Spacious, weatherproof tent
- Memory foam bed, two pillows, and light bedding
- Rugs, pillows, candle lighting, and a chair
- Bluetooth speaker & conversation cards
- Small fan/ heater with extension cable

Price per tent $400.00/first evening.
Two tent minimum.
Each additional night is
$200.00 per tent /per night.

An overnight stay at the mansion must be first reserved, then glamping tents may be added to the grounds.

Ready to glamp? Please reserve:

bonjour@maisonalbion.com

Bar Service

Mixologie

Mixologie is Maison Albion's sister bartending excellence company. Our team created Mixologie to provide our guests with the ultimate bar service garnished with our experienced staff.

Included in all of our packages is bartending service appropriate for your guest count, glassware, ice, and garnishes. We also include wine service and water table service. You supply the alcohol, and we will do the rest!

Please contact our Master Mixologist, Jaclyn, who will work with you to create a unique menu for your special event.

Book Mixologie within 30 days of booking with Maison Albion and receive a complimentary second bar set up ($250 value)!

Please inquire with:
Jaclyn Eichas, Bar Manager
jaclyn@maisonalbion.com

Packages:

Petite Parisian Party - $900

50 Guests or less

Package includes:
- Two bartenders for five hours of bar service
- Bar glassware
- Garnishes
- One Bar set-up + breakdown
- Ice

Bar Service

Cocktails in Cannes - $1250

50 - 100 Guests

Package includes:
- Three bartenders for five hours of bar service
- Bar glassware
- Garnishes
- One Bar set-up + breakdown
- Ice

Sips in St. Tropez - $1750

100 - 150 Guests

Package includes:
- Four bartenders for five hours of bar service
- Bar glassware
- Garnishes
- One Bar set-up + breakdown
- Ice

Beverages in Bordeaux - $1900

150 - 200 Guests

Package includes:
- Five bartenders for five hours of bar service
- Bar glassware
- Garnishes
- One Bar set-up + breakdown
- Ice

Potions in Provence - $2400

200 - 300 Guests

Package includes:
- Six bartenders for five hours of bar service
- Bar glassware
- Garnishes
- One Bar set-up + breakdown
- Ice

Sweet Speakeasy - $350

Package includes:
- Two bartenders for two hours of bar service
- Bar glassware
- Garnishes
- One Bar set-up + breakdown
- Ice

Additions

- Additional Bar Set-Up $250
- Signature Cocktail Design + Tasting $50 each
- Additional Bartender for Five Hours $300
- Additional Hour per Bartender $50
- Custom Bar Menu Design + Production $100

Stationary

Petite Prints
By Maison Albion

Petite Prints is Maison Albion's in-house stationary design service. Our team created Petite Prints exclusively for our couples. Our suites were designed to bring more of Maison Albion's love to our couple's special day!

Included in each package is a complimentary creative consultation with our Design Manager, Cayla Minster. Our couples will also receive an inspiration board and timeline within a week of booking Petite Prints.

For suite examples and package information, please visit: www.MaisonAlbion.com/PetitePrints

Please inquire with:
Cayla Minster, Design Manager
cayla@maisonalbion.com

Pricing

	50	100	150
THE BARONESS	$535	$695	$850
THE DUCHESS	$560	$770	$975
THE PRINCESS	$670	$925	$1175
THE GRANDE DAME	$760	$1025	$1275

Stationary

Packages

The Baroness

Save the Date
Invitation
RSVP
White Invitation + RSVP Envelopes

Starting at $535

The Duchess

Save the Date
Invitation
RSVP
Details Card
White Invitation + RSVP Envelopes

Starting at $560

The Princess

Save the Date
Invitation
RSVP
Details Card
White Invitation
+ RSVP Envelopes

Escort Card
Table Number
Escort Map

Starting at $670

The Grande Dame

Save the Date
Invitation
RSVP
Details Card
White Invitation
+ RSVP Envelopes

Escort Card
Table Number
Escort Map
Menu
Ceremony Program
Welcome Sign

Starting at $760

Additions

Menu
Escort Card
Table Number
Escort Map

Ceremony Program
Welcome Sign
Rehearsal Dinner Card

Frequently Asked Questions

- Can I use my own vendors?
  Yes you can! We encourage you to use professional vendors for your event, and we welcome them all at Maison Albion. We welcome all professional vendors to our venue and we will never accept commissions or charge fees for your favorite companies to create your amazing day.

- Do you ever have more than one event in a day?
  No. At Maison Albion, this is your home for the day, evening or weekend. Multiple events are not allowed.

- Can I book Maison Albion for my photoshoot?
  Oui! We offer special weekday photoshoot pricing for boudoir, bridals, family photos and more at the following rates:

  Boudoir/Bridal/Senior Pictures ~ Half Day Rate - $350 | Full Day Rate - $500
  Family and Group Photo shoots on the grounds only ~ Complimentary, must be reserved.
  Film production is also available. Custom pricing available.

- I have out-of-town guests, where can they stay?
  Maison Albion is fortunate to be located nine minutes from the soon to open Comfort Inn + Suites, which features more than 50 hotel rooms. In addition, The Hart Hotel and Medina Opera House Hotel offer an additional 50 hotel rooms only 12 minutes away from our venue.

- Why should I book an overnight stay at Maison Albion?
  Our guests find it comfortable to stay on site after a late night event and to wake up to the smell of fresh French pastries and delicious breakfast treats waiting for them in the Dining Room. It's convenience, comfort and beauty all in one evening!

Frequently Asked Questions

- What other fees do you charge?

  We do require you to have event insurance or add our company to your homeowner's policy for your event day. We do not charge service and/or administration fees.

  We do request $50/table to install our Napa Farm tables (a $150/table savings over rentals!) and $50/arch or mandap installation. In addition, these items are price on a per hour based on labor. For example, our last mandap took nearly 10 hours for installation.

- Can I use personal friends as vendors?

  It depends. We do require that your catering company, bartending service (if it isn't Mixologie), and your entertainment company to be professionals who are licensed and insured. Beyond that, you are welcome to use your aunt/cousin/etc to be to be the florist, planner, or more! That is the freedom of Maison Albion.

- Can I have my rehearsal at Maison Albion?

  Yes! Our one-hour complimentary walkthrough is subject to other booked events, but is always included. If you would like to have your rehearsal dinner at our venue, we are often able to greatly discount our second site fee to accomodate a multi-day rental!

- What if it rains on my event day?

  If your event is outside, don't fret! Our lovely Ballroom Patio accomodates up to 180 seated for a meal or 300 for a ceremony and has an inside/outside feel for a wedding ceremony, lunch, or dinner. Our team will move your event at a moment's notice to accomodate your wishes!

- Is there parking on site?

  Yes! We have 110 parking spots on site.

Party Partners

Catering + Cakes
Zambistro
Dubby's Woodfired Pizza
58 Main BBQ + Brew
Ashley's Culinary Creations
Julia K Caters
Donna Eick Catering
Sweet Dreams 716
Premier Pastry
Pretty Sweet Bakery
You're Baking Me Hungry
Odideya Macaron
Carousel Cookies
Cupcaked Bakery Inc

Floral
Creekside Floral
Erieway Flowers
Flower Fields Forever
Homestead Flowers
Williams Florist
Gould's Flowers Inc

Entertainment
Tones Entertainment
Your American Jukebox
Signature Entertainment
Saxman Slim
Showcase Sound
Turner Music Productions
Whirlin Disc DJ

Video
Coleman Films
Andrew Emmons
Hannah Forrest Films
Scarinzi Media

Attire
A.P Bridal
Blissett's Specialty Shop
Bridal Chateau
One Custom Clothier
Charles Men's Shop
Sarah Kolis Designs

Beauty
ImPossible Beauty NY
Fresh Faced by Feidi
Lena Chen Studios
Always Be Curating
Rachel Rizzo Hair & Makeup
The Traveling Stylists
Saint Elizabeth Beauty

Photography
Dorian Mode Photography
Brittany Ford Photography
Alyssa Bankes Photography
Bound and Branch Photography
Rebecca Loomis Photography
Joshua Lewis Photography
Oak and Stone Photography
Bridget Rochelle Photography
Sarah Garbin Photography
Morgan Catherine Photo & Film
Nina Piccini Photography
Aaron Bobeck Photography
Tomas Flint
Petit - Eclair Photography
Laura Rose Weddings
Dear Blossom Studios
ROC Boudoir Experience

Planning
Weddings by Tanya Sue
Papercrane Calligraphy
Erin McDonald Co
Mona + Sterling
Events by Eliza Jane
Kaleidoscope Events
Honeydew Events
Events by Brielle
EVL Events
Brittney Comstock Events

Offciants
Magical Ceremonies Wedding Officiants
Pastor Trellis Pore

Rentals
McCarthy Tents + Events
Nolan's Party Rentals
Events by Lauren Marie
Petunia Rose China
Glamping WNY
Tesoro Event Rentals