

# Barn Weddings are the Height of Rustic Chic

**T**his trend has legs! Millennial couples are searching for open, welcoming, comfortable spaces to celebrate this milestone, and barns are their thing. No more big-budget bridezillas with ten-foot chocolate fountains, the

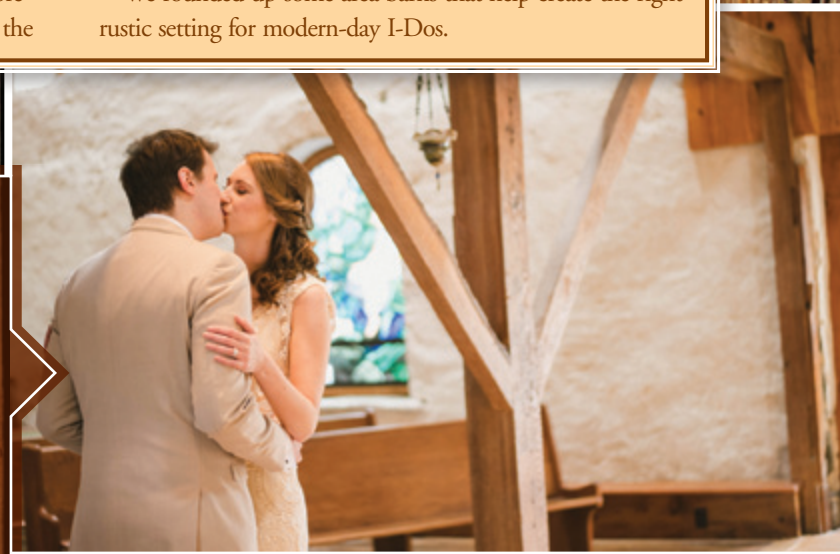
refreshing perspective of many weddings these days includes wildflowers, tiny lights and of course, Mason jars.

We rounded up some area barns that help create the right rustic setting for modern-day I-Dos.

## BARN AT BOURNELYF

**T**he Barn at Bournelyf—meaning stream of life—is a non-denominational, community church on 21 acres with an arboretum-like feel. A converted 1792 bank barn is available for the ceremony, with access to gardens and grounds—with pond, labyrinth, butterfly garden. Mainly a wedding ceremony site, with room for small receptions (40pp), the venue has agreements with local historic reception sites. Barn (150pp), Sanctuary (140pp), 1850 Manor House (35pp), Multipurpose room (52pp), Grotto (10pp), outdoors (unlimited).

1066 South New St., West Chester  
610-517-8698 / 484-574-6631; [Brinehart4.wixsite.com](mailto:Brinehart4.wixsite.com)



## THE BARN ON BRIDGE

**T**his recently renovated 18th-century dairy barn is the perfect blank canvas for painting a vision of your dream wedding. Full of authentic details like original stone walls, warm tones and a catwalk connecting two lofts, the barn's capacity is expanded with a permanent tented space and includes other modern amenities for your comfort. Enjoy the outdoor sites on the lawn—with room for lawn games—or the upper and lower gardens overlooking the creek and wooded fields and accented by a charming white fence. Catering and bar provided by Robert Ryan Caterers. 200pp.

385 Bridge St., Collegeville, 610-287-8771; [BarnOnBridge.com](http://BarnOnBridge.com)



## BRANDYWINE MANOR HOUSE

**O**n 85 acres of rolling meadows with an illuminated lake, country gardens and majestic trees, this venue has picturesque views and backdrops for your unforgettable day. Choose from five outdoor ceremony sites—Lakeview, Garden Terrace, Oak Grove, The Glen, Open Hearth Patio—two sites in the 1790s Manor Barn, along with two reception venues, including the Manor Barn and tented Crown Ballroom. Plus lighted gazebos, fireplaces, pergola, footbridges, waterfalls and arbor. Four rooms at the Manor House are available to rent. Outside caterer fee. 300pp. 120 Germany Hollow Rd., Honey Brook; 610-942-2200; [BrandywineManorHouse.com](http://BrandywineManorHouse.com)



## INN AT GRACE WINERY (SWEETWATER FARM)

**T**he completely restored 1750s stone bank barn is set on 50 lush acres, with a manor house, inn and vineyard—plenty of room for a special celebration. Sweetwater Wood and Grace Winery are just a few backdrops for a memorable barn wedding in the

newly renovated event space. Note: you must reserve all rooms at the Inn and cottages for the weekend, use the exclusive caterers, and end festivities by 10 p.m. 140 pp (100 in winter).

50 Sweetwater Rd., Glen Mills  
610-459-4711; [GraceWinery.com](http://GraceWinery.com)

## THE GABLES AT CHADDS FORD

**T**he Gables at Chadds Ford offers a charming, sophisticated, rustic 1897 bank barn with exposed timber framing, raised gabled ceiling (of course), and wall of French windows in the heart of the Brandywine Valley. The new wedding and party terrace, which can be tented, offers seasonally landscaped open-air space and oozes charm, with a three-tier fountain and waterfall in the stone wall. This full-service banquet facility uses the same award-winning kitchen, under Chef Dave Wenerd, and seasonal ingredients as the popular onsite restaurant. They'll work to customize the details of your dream day. 140pp.

423 Baltimore Pk., Chadds Ford, 610-388-7700; [TheGablesAtChaddsFord.com](http://TheGablesAtChaddsFord.com)



## LIFE'S PATINA AT WILLOWBROOK FARM

**N**estled on a 15-acre converted farm property, Life's Patina at Willowbrook Farm has unparalleled spots for wedding photo opps. An 1800s stone bank barn creates a rustic yet elegant stage for your artfully curated event. The venue includes farm tables, vintage chairs and a design consultation.

Since the owner collects and sells vintage décor, there's an option to rent additional vintage props, along with custom styling for a unique event. Sept.—July, 5-hour rentals, with option to extend. Two exclusive caterers. 100pp.

1750 N. Valley Rd., Malvern,  
610-952-2254; [LifesPatina.com](http://LifesPatina.com)



## THOUSAND ACRE FARM

**A** different kind of barn venue—one with water views from every window plus heat, AC, a handicapped lift, modern bathrooms, yard games and hay rides. Thousand Acres Farm offers sweeping marshland and waterfront views with sunset backdrops. The 8,000-square-foot, new, Amish-built barn seats 180 inside (more room in tents outside) and boasts a loft and lounge overlooking the first floor. A gazebo and arbor anchor outdoor ceremony sites. 12-hour rental, with options to extend. Can bring your own liquor. No sales tax. 180pp inside, more outside.

260 Reedy Point Rd., Middletown, DE  
443-922-6637; [ThousandAcreFarm.com](http://ThousandAcreFarm.com)







The High Point at St. Peter's



# More Barn Venues

## CHESTER COUNTY

### THE BARN AT STONYBROOKE

4740 Lower Valley Rd., Arden  
717-723-5183; [TheBarnAtStoneybrooke.com](http://TheBarnAtStoneybrooke.com)

### THE HIGH POINT AT ST. PETER'S

2475 St. Peter's Rd., Malvern  
610-644-2261; [TheHighPointGV.com](http://TheHighPointGV.com)

### THE STONE BARN

100 Stone Barn Dr, Kennett Square  
610-347-2414; [TheStoneBarn.com](http://TheStoneBarn.com)

## DELAWARE & MONTGOMERY COUNTIES

### JOHN JAMES AUDUBON CENTER

1201 Pawlings Rd., Audubon  
267-455-3521; [JohnJamesAudubon.org](http://JohnJamesAudubon.org)

### MEREDITH MANOR

2270 Pottstown Pk., Pottstown  
610-469-1700; [WeddingWire.com](http://WeddingWire.com)

### MOYO

4335 Skippack Pk., Schwenksville  
610-584-1108; [MOYO-Yoga.com/Venue](http://MOYO-Yoga.com/Venue)

### NORMANDY FARM

1401 Morris Rd., Blue Bell  
215-616-8500; [NormandyFarm.com](http://NormandyFarm.com)

### TYLER ARBORETUM

515 Painter Rd., Media  
610-566-9134; [TylerArboretum.org](http://TylerArboretum.org)

## AND BEYOND...

### BARN AT SILVERSTONE

62 Bowman Rd., Lancaster  
855-687-8920; [TheBarnAtSilverstone.com](http://TheBarnAtSilverstone.com)

### FARM AT EAGLES RIDGE

465 Long Ln., Lancaster  
717-584-5179; [FarmAtEaglesRidge.com](http://FarmAtEaglesRidge.com)

### HARVEST VIEW BARN AT HERSHEY FARMS

338 Sunnyburn Rd., Elizabethtown  
717-665-7284; [HarvestViewBarn.com](http://HarvestViewBarn.com)

### LAKEVIEW FARM

3440 Admire Rd., Dover  
717-825-1121; [LakeviewFarmEvents.com](http://LakeviewFarmEvents.com)