

# exploring cincinnati

We're thrilled that you're able to join us for our wedding reception in the fine city of Cincinnati. Here's a handy little guide to help you enjoy your time, focusing on food and attractions that are unique to the Queen City. Click on the purple links to see the websites or directions for each place, or visit <http://webel.net/map> to see an interactive map with even more options!



## Where to stay

**La Quinta Inn** (11029 Dowlin Dr. 45241, 513/771-0300)  
We've reserved a block of rooms (ask for the Webel/King wedding) at this central location for \$59/night, including breakfast, wifi, parking, and an indoor pool.

If you'd rather stay with a local family, let us know and we'll try to connect you with someone (maybe us!). And let us know if you can offer a couch or a bed to an out-of-town guest ... it could be a chance to make some new friends and save a few bucks as well (something we're all fans of)!

## Where to eat

**La Rosa's Pizza** (multiple locations, 513/347-1111)  
Buddy La Rosa started this local chain over 50 years ago, they serve/deliver great pizza, hoagys, salads, and desserts.

**Montgomery Inn** (9440 Montgomery Rd. 45242, 513/791-3482 or 925 Riverside Dr. 45202, 513/721-7427)  
Around since 1951, this is the place for barbeque ribs (and a host of other tasty menu items). Remember your bib!

**Skyline Chili** (multiple locations) – A Cincinnati classic, this is a great place to try some cheap and fast local food, especially the Cincinnati-style chili cheese coney.

**Graeter's Ice Cream** (multiple locations) – Gourmet ice cream that's handmade in small batches ... the chocolate chip flavors (Black Raspberry!) are especially delish!

**Uncle Yip's** (10736 Reading Rd. 45241, 513/733-8484)  
A small local restaurant with excellent dim sum (11am-3pm on weekends) and other authentic Chinese dishes.

**Wok Express** (320 Northland Blvd. 45246, 513/771-5888)  
A terrible name, but great Taiwanese food at a fair price.

**Lulu's noodles** (135 W. Kemper Rd. 45246, 513/671-4949)  
Tasty pad thai and unique noodle dishes (closed Sundays).

**China Garden** (1108 W. Kemper Rd. 45240, 513/825-6627)  
Best Chinese in the area, including veggie and seafood.

**Asian Buffet** (6310 S. Gilmore Rd. 45014, 513/874-6666)  
Huge, well-stocked, and includes sushi and custom stir-fry.

For other ideas, check out the **2010 Best of Cincinnati** list!

## What to do

**The Underground** (1140 Smiley Ave 45240, 513/221-4888)  
Our reception will be here from 1:15-5pm on Sat. 1/15.

**Eden Park** (1501 Eden Park Dr 45202, 513/421-4086)  
This fantastic park on historic Mt. Adams includes the **Cincinnati Art Museum** (513/639-2995), with over 6,000 years of art and an exhibit on wedding gowns (how ironic), **Krohn's Conservatory** (513/421-5707), a greenhouse with over 3,500 plant species from around the world, and a nice park with ponds, bridges, and a scenic overlook of the Ohio River (where we took many of our engagement photos). Best of all, it's all free!

**Fountain Square** (520 Vine St. 45202, 513/352-4066)  
This central gathering place at the heart of Cincinnati has a historic fountain, a huge Christmas tree, public outdoor ice-skating, Segway tours, some great restaurants, underground parking, a giant television, and stages for concerts and events.

**Crossgate Lanes** (4230 Hunt Rd 45242, 513/891-0310)  
We like bowling. You like bowling. Here's where to do it.

**Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden** (3540 Beldare Ave. 45220, 513/961-1870) – It's one of the best zoos in the country and was recently rated the best local attraction.

**Cincinnati Museum Center** (1301 Western Avenue 45203, 513/287-7000) – Built as a train station in the 1930's (Union Terminal), this building hosts an Omnimax theatre, the Cincinnati History Museum, the Museum of Natural History & Science, and the Children's Museum.

**National Underground Railroad Freedom Center** (50 East Freedom Way 45202, 513/333-7765) – Located downtown next to the Bengals/Reds stadiums, this museum focuses on African-American history, the Underground Railroad, and poignant stories of modern-day slavery.

**Newport Aquarium** (1 Aquarium Way 41071, 859/815-1423)  
Across the river from Cincinnati, this famous aquarium houses thousands of animals from around the world in a million gallons of water.

**Creation Museum** (2800 Bullittsburg Church Rd. Petersburg, KY 41080, 888/582-4253) – This huge state-of-the-art museum by Answers in Genesis tells the creation story in a creative and interactive way.