Choosing a Location

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After finalizing the type and date, it is then time to chose a location and/or site for your family reunion. Your location choice depends on several factors including:

- Size of the reunion
- Type of reunion
- Time of year
- Budget
- Preferences of family members

Ideally, you want to chose a location that is most affordable and accessible to the majority of your invited relatives. If your family all lives in one area, then a nearby location should be chosen. If you family is scattered around the world, then selecting a central location is your best option. You want to make sure that you choose a place where everyone will be comfortable and enjoy spending time with one another.



Once you have selected the location, you then need to decide on the site of your reunion.

The possibilities are endless whether it be an old homestead, somewhere close to home or a national park. When deciding on the location and/or site for your family reunion, you should consider:

- **Distance**
  Most of your relatives will not be willing to travel long distances for a short reunion, therefore selecting a location close to where the majority of your family members reside is your best option. Longer or one time reunions do warrant more elaborate locations such as a resort or cruise.
- **Convenience**
  If there are numerous travelling relatives, then you should choose a location close to the airport. This will be most convenient and easy to get to, otherwise people may be less inclined to attend.
- **Accessibility**
  Location must accommodate wheelchairs for elderly relatives and strollers for young children. You want to make sure everyone will be comfortable and safe.
- **Affordability**
  You must make sure that the location you choose fits into your budget. Try to obtain group discounts and packaged deals.
- **Accommodations**
  You need to make sure that you choose a location with nearby and affordable entertainment, hotels and restaurants.
- **Features and Activities**
  Which activities you want to do or attractions you want to see should be considered prior to selecting. Where your reunion is held should be nearby the entertainment or activities planned.

Before selecting a site you should inquire about:

1. **When** is it available?
2. What is the **cost**?
3. Are there any **group** or **off season rates**?

4. How many people can the site **accommodate**?
5. What **activities** and **restaurants** are **nearby**?
6. Can you bring your **own food** and **entertainment**?
7. Does it meet **child** and **elderly requirements**?

Here is a list of possible site ideas (some more elaborate than others):

- Nearby hotel or restaurant
- A country club in the vicinity of where most guests still reside
- An outdoor park with lots of activities and picnic areas
- A cruise ship
- Family Ranch
- Bed and breakfast
- Church or religious institution
- Theatre
- Museum
- Historical Landmark
- Camp grounds
- Spa
- Theme or Adventure Park
- Casino
- Winery

- National Park
- Ski Lodge
- Rent a cabin