

FACT SHEET

Antler Hill Village: The Casual Side of Biltmore

Picturesque Antler Hill Village is the perfect location for relaxed fun and family entertainment at Biltmore. The area honors the gracious spirit of the estate established by Biltmore's founder, George Vanderbilt.

Like other estate attractions, the area has strong historical ties to local history. Antler Hill Village's name comes from the name of a "fine high ridge" found in estate records. From the Civil War into the 1930s, the ridge was the site of Antler Hall, a residence and social center for many estate families. Oral history records reveal fond memories of gatherings for estate employees, including an employee Christmas party, dances, fall fairs and classes in the evenings.

Antler Hill Village Attractions

A visit to Antler Hill Village is included in estate admission and includes entry into Biltmore Winery, the Legacy exhibition space, village green with seasonal entertainment, outdoor adventure center, shopping and dining. Visit highlights include:

- **The Biltmore Legacy** – The "Fashionable Romance" exhibition held Feb. 12 – July 4, 2016, features Vanderbilt family wedding celebrations in Antler Hill Village & Winery. The exhibit showcases stories and heirlooms from 60 years of Vanderbilt family weddings, including a re-creation of Cornelia Vanderbilt Cecil's beautiful wedding gown and veil, and the family veil worn by both Jacqueline Kennedy and her cousin, Mary Lee Ryan Cecil, at their weddings.
- **Biltmore Winery** – America's Most Visited Winery is housed in what was formerly Biltmore's dairy operation. Guests may tour the bottling and production rooms and make a stop in the Tasting Room to sample a variety of Biltmore's award-winning wines.
- **Village Green and Bandstand** – The centerpiece of Antler Hill Village, the Village Green has a gently sloping area perfect for people-watching, listening to live music or relaxing with a picnic.
- **Pisgah Playground** – Pisgah Playground features swings, a climbing tower and slide, sand play area, and other activities for young guests to enjoy.
- **Outdoor Adventure Center** – The Outdoor Adventure Center carries on the family's tradition of exploring the outdoors, with Segway rentals, Land Rover excursions, bike trips, fly fishing, horseback rides and carriage rides.
- **Antler Hill Farm** – The farm offers a glimpse back at Biltmore's agricultural past. Traditional farming demonstrations take place in the Barn, including authentic blacksmithing by local craftsman Doc Cudd. The

farmyard houses small animals that children can pet and play with, such as chickens, roosters, goats, sheep and friendly horses.