

Even rainy day weddings  
sparkle in New Milford's historic  
hidden gem, Harrybrooke Park

# A WALK IN THE Park



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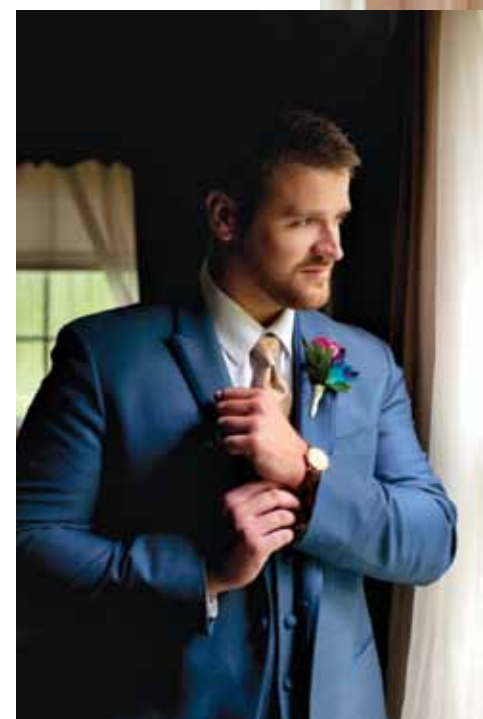
Harrybrooke Park, my childhood memory. A tucked-away place where I could run free, laugh and play as a child. Some say it is a hidden gem. A beautiful place to have your dream wedding.

While the raindrops were coming down in bucketfuls the morning of our photo shoot, it was Bill Buckbee, Harrybrooke Park's executive director and a Justice of the Peace, who told us, "The drops of rain are teardrops from our loved ones above who cannot be with us, but are smiling down with joy on your day of love."

The Harden House Museum, located on the park's grounds and backed up against the Still River waterfall, offers gorgeous photo opportunities for the bride and groom as they pamper themselves for their magical day. There are plenty of chances for couples to immerse themselves in the park's beauty.

We were lucky enough to embrace the setting between raindrops. Perhaps its magic will entrance you as well.

— Alyson Bowman











## Hartford Flavor Peacock Alley

1.5 oz. Litchfield Distillery Blueberry Vodka  
 ½ oz. Wild Moon Lavender  
 1 oz. honey water  
 (1 part honey: 3 parts water)  
 ¼ oz. lemon juice  
 Garnishes: blueberries, lavender flowers



**Harrybrooke Park & Harden House Museum**, New Milford. [harrybrookepark.org](http://harrybrookepark.org) Harrybrooke Park was a private weekend home left to the care of those who loved the estate. The grounds offer a serene backdrop complete with rolling waterfalls and a gated garden, which make for a picturesque outdoor backdrop of a natural wedding location.  
**Nicole Bourgeois-Believe**, lead photographer at Picture This, Danbury. [picturethisct.com](http://picturethisct.com) Premier wedding, studio and special event photographers.  
**Ruby Bridal Boutique**, New Milford. [rubybridalboutique.com](http://rubybridalboutique.com) Intimate bridal boutique serving Litchfield and Fairfield county brides.  
**Bogeys**, Danbury. [bogeystux.com](http://bogeystux.com) Specializing in tuxedo and suit rentals and sales for all occasions since 1982.  
**Occasions**, Bethel. [occasionsbridalshop.com](http://occasionsbridalshop.com) Designer gowns at affordable prices for the entire wedding party. Sizes 0-30 in stock.  
**b.hive salon**, Washington. [nancyruthbeauty.com](http://nancyruthbeauty.com) On-site hair-styling service including touch-ups.  
**Nancy Ruth Beauty**, New Milford. [nancyruthbeauty.com](http://nancyruthbeauty.com) Bridal hairstyling and makeup application.  
**Bella Jewelers**, Kent. [bellajewelersct.com](http://bellajewelersct.com) Designer, vintage and custom-made jewelry.  
**John Casablancas Modeling & Acting Agency**, Rocky Hill. [jcmodelsct.com](http://jcmodelsct.com) Premier talent agency. Models featured are Kasia Chaber, maid of honor, and Mehmet Ozyagci, best man.  
**DK Schulman Design**, New Preston. [dkschulmandesign.com](http://dkschulmandesign.com) Designer of wedding invitations, with full service coordinating all aspects of your special day, from addressing envelopes to table numbers, menus and favors.  
**Sweet Rewards**, Brookfield. [kellysweetrewards.com](http://kellysweetrewards.com) Custom wedding cakes, mini pies and finger desserts made from scratch.  
**DA Couture - Jewelry Bouquets and Accessories**, Preston. [couturejewelrybouquets.com](http://couturejewelrybouquets.com) One-of-a-kind bridal brooch bouquets, headpieces and other jewelry.  
**Goatboy Soaps**, New Milford. [goatboy.us](http://goatboy.us) Variety of unique favors tailored to style, color, fragrance, cost and theme.  
**Southern Yankee**, Wilton. [southernyankee.com](http://southernyankee.com) Peacock-embroidered vintage napkins and handmade accessories using vintage linens and other up-cycled fabrics.  
**Flowers by Nancy**, Danbury. [floraldesignsbynancy.com](http://floraldesignsbynancy.com) Attention to detail and a personal touch on your wedding day.  
**Bonni Manning Catering**, Sherman. [bonnimanningcatering.com](http://bonnimanningcatering.com) Providing salads and table settings.  
**Badass Beard Care**. [badassbeardcare.com](http://badassbeardcare.com) Organic and all-natural beard care and grooming products for men.

**Local flavors**  
**Hartford Flavor Co.**, Hartford. [hartfordflavor.com](http://hartfordflavor.com)  
**Litchfield Distillery**, Litchfield. [litchfelddistillery.com](http://litchfelddistillery.com)  
**Housatonic River Brewing**, New Milford. [housatonicriverbrewing.com](http://housatonicriverbrewing.com)

**Models**  
**Justice of the Peace:** Bill Buckbee  
**Bride:** Natalie Capriglione  
**Groom:** Corey Christensen

