Bracken Village Market Days

Vendor Information

QUICK FACTS	
Market hours	9:30 AM – 1:30 PM (setup 7:00–9:00 AM)
Booth fee	$35 for a 10x10 space | $70 for a 10x20 space
Setting	Outdoor market — vendor setup on a grass field
Power / water	Not available — bring everything you need
Applications	Close 2 weeks before each market date
Approval	We only contact vendors who are approved — no reply means not selected for that date
Our emails	Come from brackenvillage@gmail.com — add to contacts & check spam

Welcome and thank you for your interest in Bracken Village Market Days.

We are a curated handmade market featuring local farmers, ranchers, makers, and artisans. Our goal is a thoughtfully selected market where every booth offers something high quality and distinct, so vendors have a successful day and shoppers discover something new each time they visit.

Bracken Village is a historic destination with established boutiques and services, and our market is held right in the heart of it. We keep the vendor mix intentionally curated and limit duplicate products so the market never feels crowded or repetitive.

If that sounds like a fit for your business, we'd love for you to apply.

What We Accept

Our market centers on handmade, homegrown, and uniquely sourced goods. We know many of our best vendors also curate a few special finds like distinctive pieces discovered from around the world and those are welcome at our discretion when they fit the quality and character of the market.

What we steer away from are booths built primarily around mass produced, big box, or commodity resale items. The difference we care about is unique and curated versus mass produced.

If you're unsure whether your products are a fit, apply and tell us about them and we'll let you know. We reserve the right to ask about your products and to decline anything that doesn't fit the market.

What We're Looking For

We prioritize local vendors offering:

- Farmers & growers, produce, eggs, meats, and ranch goods

- Organic and naturally grown products
- Bakers & cottage food vendors
- Handmade & artisan goods
- Pet items & treats
- Creative artists & original work
- Plants & garden products
- Antiques & vintage finds
- Food trucks

To help everyone succeed, we typically accept only 1 - 3 vendors per product category per market. We select based on craftsmanship, originality, photo quality, and how your product complements rather than duplicates others on that date.

Market Dates

All markets run 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM. Applications for each market close 2 weeks (14 days) before that market date. To make it easy, here are the dates and deadlines for the current season:

Market Day	Application Deadline
Saturday, June 27	Saturday, June 13
Saturday, July 25	Saturday, July 11
Saturday, August 22	Saturday, August 8
Saturday, September 26	Saturday, September 12
Saturday, October 24	Saturday, October 10

Applications received after a deadline will be considered for the next available market.

How Our Application & Approval Process Works

Please read this carefully so you know what to expect.

1. Submit your application for the market date(s) you want, before the 2-week deadline.
2. Watch for an automatic email requesting product photos. Right after you apply, you'll receive an email asking you to send current photos of your products. Please reply promptly because we can't fully review your application without them.
3. We review every application for product fit, quality, and market balance.
4. **We only contact applicants who are approved**. If you are selected, you'll receive an approval email with next steps.
5. **Your spot is confirmed only after you receive an approval email, submit any required documents, and complete payment**. Submitting an application does not reserve or guarantee a space.

Add us to your contacts now: **Please save brackenvillage@gmail.com to your email contacts and check your spam/junk folder. All of our communication comes from this address.** Marking us as a contact ensures our emails reach your inbox so you don't miss your spot.

Important: Because we review a high volume of applications as a small team, we are only able to reach out to vendors who are approved. If you do not hear from us regarding a specific market date, your application was not selected for that date. You are always welcome to apply for a future market.

If approved, your vendor fee is due by the date listed in your approval email to secure your spot. Unpaid spots are released to other vendors.

A note on commitment: Once approved and paid, we count on you to show up. Vendor fees are non-refundable, and no shows or last minute cancellations directly affect whether you'll be invited or approved for future markets. If something genuine comes up, communicate with us early and honestly, we understand life happens.

Returning Vendors

We love welcoming vendors back, and we intentionally bring in new makers for every market so shoppers always have a reason to return.

Returning participation is by invitation only. Invitations for the next market are sent the day after each market day. If you don't receive an invitation for a given date, you're welcome to apply through the standard application again.

Market Details

- Market hours: 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM
- Vendor fee: $35 per market for a 10x10 space, or $70 for a 10x20 space
- Booth space: outdoor space on grass
- Electricity & water: not available — spaces are outdoors on grass, please plan accordingly

Setup & Parking

- Arrival / setup window: 7:00 AM – 9:00 AM. Arrive anytime in this window based on your setup needs.
- There is a designated unloading area for your booth. Bring your own dolly or wagon — Bracken Village does not provide move-in/move-out assistance.
- Vendor vehicles must be in designated parking space by 9:00 AM.
- You must be fully set up by 9:15 AM for vendor checks and early shoppers.
- Tear down begins at 1:30 PM only — not before. For safety and fairness, early breakdowns are not permitted.

Booth Setup Requirements

All vendors must bring their own:

- Straight-leg 10x10 canopy (if using one)
- **40 lb weight on each canopy leg - required at all times, even on calm days**

- Tables and chairs
- Displays and supplies for your booth

Cleanup Expectations

Please help us keep the village clean and welcoming.

- Take all trash and boxes with you after the market.
- Bracken Village dumpsters are not to be used.
- Leave your space as clean as you found it.

Failure to follow setup or cleanup guidelines may affect future participation.

Permits, Insurance & Responsibility

- Vendors participate at their own risk and are responsible for their booth, products, and actions.
- Food trucks must provide a Texas Temporary Food Establishment Permit, food handler certification, and insurance.
- Businesses (excluding retail shops, cottage food, or nonprofits) must provide a Sales Tax Permit.

By participating, vendors agree to hold Bracken Village harmless from any claims, damages, or losses.

Vendor Guidelines

To keep Market Days family friendly, the following are not permitted:

- Politically sensitive products
- Drugs or drug-related items
- CBD products
- Weapons or violent items
- Sexual or explicit materials
- Tarot cards, ouija boards, or similar products
- Live animals for sale
- Alcohol sales or consumption on property

We reserve the right to refuse any products that do not fit the market environment.

Frequently Asked Questions

What happens if it rains?

Market Days are held rain or shine, and light rain will not cancel the market. If severe weather or unsafe conditions require cancellation, vendors will be notified as early as possible. Cancellation is at Bracken Village's discretion.

How do I know if I'm accepted?

We only contact applicants who are approved. If you receive an approval email, your spot is confirmed once required documents are submitted and payment is received. If you don't hear from us about a specific date, your application wasn't selected for that one.

Can I share a booth?

Booth sharing may be allowed with prior approval. Both vendors must be listed and approved on the application.

Are vendor fees refundable?

Vendor fees are nonrefundable once your spot has been approved and reserved.

Do you provide tents, tables, or electricity?

No. Vendors must bring all equipment and supplies needed for their booth.

How is Bracken Village Market Days advertised?

We promote Market Days across our growing social media platforms — Facebook (128K followers), Instagram (20K followers), and TikTok (12K followers) — with strong engagement from our local audience. We also run paid ads in the area and place signage around Bracken Village, including signs visible from the main road.