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# **Finley Farms Fact Sheet**

ADDRESS:	Finley Farms
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**OPENING DATE:** The Workshop and The Farm, November 13, 2019

The Ozark Mill, September 3, 2021

**LOCATION:** A 40-acre property nestled in the heart of Ozark, Missouri

along the banks of the Finley River, halfway between Bass Pro Shops/Wonders of Wildlife and Big Cedar Lodge.

HISTORY: The Ozark Mill was originally built in 1833. The Mill has

aged and been rebuilt several times. In 1992, it retired as the last commercially operating watermill in Missouri. After noted conservationist and Bass Pro Founder, Johnny Morris purchased the structure in 1993, his daughter, Megan Stack, developed the vision and began executing a reimagined gathering space in 2016. The entire Mill was rolled back from the Finley River so its foundation could be restared in 2018, prior to The Workshop appoint in

restored in 2018, prior to The Workshop opening in November 2019. Nearby, the Riverside Bridge was built in 1909 by the Canton Bridge Co. after a record-setting flood washed away the wooden bridge next to The Ozark Mill. In 1924 The Riverside Bridge was moved 1.5 miles upstream to Biers Ford. Due to repeated flood damage, the Riverside Bridge was closed in 2010. After expensive repair efforts, the bridge reopened in 2013, only to experience a

100-year flood in 2015 that severely damaged the structure. In 2018, it was announced that the Riverside



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Bridge would be relocated and renovated as part of the Finley Farms development. After disassembling the Riverside Bridge in 2019, it took 6 months to restore the structure. The new home for the more than a century old bridge is in the same location where the historic "Chadwick Flyer" railroad once crossed the Finley River.

**OVERVIEW:** 

Finley Farms is restoring and reimagining the historic Ozark Mill property to create a sprawling gathering place featuring farm-forward restaurants, vibrant event venues, a riverside wedding chapel, an urban high-yield farm and more. A family passion project—multiple generations of the Morris family are pouring their hearts into this project. Inspired by the rich history of the Mill, Johnny Morris had a vision to preserve this landmark and open it as a riverfront restaurant. Today, his daughter Megan Stack is carrying the torch to preserve this historical destination and showcase its beauty while featuring urban concepts.

THE WORKSHOP:

The Workshop is a fully restored 1930s industrial brick garage featuring large garage doors that offer photo-worthy views of the high-yield urban farm. The communal gathering space serves a full menu of options including coffees, teas, toasts, salads, pastries and cocktails Monday through Saturday. After hours, The Workshop offers private events in addition to interactive and hands-on culinary, cocktail, craft, farming and kid's classes.

THE FARM:

Modeled after family farms that once dotted the Ozarks landscape, this high-yield urban farm supports on-property restaurants with seasonal produce and materials for hands-on workshops. The Farm features a buzzing apiary, bloom-filled flower fields and a wooded mushroom yard



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make The Farm an ideal location for small events and elopements. Resident Farmers offer regular farm tours and beehive checks, allowing visitors to learn more about The Farm's organic standards and practices.

THE MARKET SHED:

Right next to The Workshop sits The Market Shed, a rustic, seasonal venue that plays host to the Ozark Farmers Market. Together, with The Workshop, these minimalistic spaces create an eclectic indoor-outdoor atmosphere to accommodate any special occasion.

THE OZARK MILL:

The Ozark Mill is a multipurpose event space with a restaurant, a general store featuring pantry staples, kitchenware, and branded items and has plans for a speakeasy and a self-guided history tour. The Ozark Mill Restaurant is a family-friendly dining experience rooted in the history of the Ozarks. The restaurant's dining space, bar, and patio overlook the picturesque Finley River. Chef Kevin Korman's farm-to-table inspired menu focuses on pizza, pasta and seasonal dishes featuring local, sustainable food sources including produce grown on site.

THE GARRISON:

A turn-of-the-century inspired speakeasy, The Garrison, is slated to open in 2022. Ideal for social gatherings, this intimate space will feature craft cocktails and small shareable plates. Located on the lower floor of The Ozark Mill, the hideaway will highlight the legacy of Ozark's famed Riverside Inn and its original proprietor, Howard Garrison.

THE CHAPEL:

The Chapel is an open-air venue set along the banks of Finley Fiver just across from the Ozark Mill. The structure was modeled after many historic chapels designed in the



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region and crafted from reclaimed materials. After tying the knot, couples can walk across the historic Riverside Bridge to their wedding reception or cocktail hour inside The Mill.

**THE RIVERSIDE BRIDGE:** The Riverside Bridge is a one-lane, 274-foot bridge that

complements other dining and entertainment spaces at The Mill, and the public has access to the bridge when it is

not in use for special events and activities. Wedding

parties can cross over the historic Riverside Bridge on foot

for a cocktail hour or reception at The Ozark Mill.

**COMING SOON:** Soon, guests will be able to extend their visit with

overnight accommodations. During their stay, patrons will be able to explore the Finley River via a river outfitter before unwinding at the property's brewery next to the

Ozark Mill.