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Wedding Reception Events

By Pepper Montero

The wedding ceremony is finally over and the last picture at the ceremony site has finally been

taken. It is time to celebrate! The reception is often the aspect of the wedding that receives the most planning. It's also the aspect that receives most of the budget! Below is a short guide to the events at the reception. For more great reception ideas, be sure to visit

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Usually while the wedding party is taking pictures, the guests head over to the reception site. If there is going to be a sit-down dinner and the budget allows, it is very thoughtful and a wonderful idea to have some drinks and hors d'oeuvres waiting for your guests to enjoy. Depending on the photographer, this waiting period can be up to an hour. In addition to enjoying some refreshments, guests can also sign the guest book and leave gifts on a designated table.

If the reception is buffet in style, many brides and groom opt to allow guests to eat before the couple arrives at the reception. The only issue I have with this practice is that people will often leave before the bride and groom arrive. If you don't want to open the buffet before your arrival, again the beverages and hors d'oeuvres are a good idea.

When the bridal party arrives, the DJ or other speaker announces the grand entrance. The wedding party comes in first and the newlyweds come in last. Everyone's name is announced. If desired, the relationship to the couple may be stated as well.

There are still some couples who want to have a receiving line so that they will see all of those who came to help them celebrate. If you would like to have a receiving line, do so as soon as you arrive. Again, if you don't have the receiving line as soon as you arrive, people will leave.

Once everyone is at the reception, toasts are made. The traditional toasters are the best man and parents of the bride and groom. This is the parents' opportunity to formally thank all of their guests for

coming.

The first dances are a tradition that endures to this day. Usually the husband and wife start off the dancing and no one else dances before them. In addition to the newlyweds, the bride and her father as well as the groom and his mother often share a dance.

Two other traditions at receptions are cutting the cake and tossing the bouquet and garter. The couple would be wise to discuss covering each others' faces in cake versus making a clean exchange before the wedding. Even with this discussion, beware!

The final event of the reception is the final dance. After the final dance, the bride and groom leave the reception. The guests shortly follow and then the parents all collapse in a big heap! It has been a long day, but didn't we all have fun?

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Find Out More About Wedding Centerpieces

By Holly Stevens

Having a perfect wedding is a dream of most couples. They want to have their wedding day as the most perfect event of their lives.

No wonder why many people are so engaged into wedding planning because the numerous details of the wedding should never be taken for granted. From the invitations down to the reception, every detail must be meticulously considered.

Take for example the wedding centerpieces. For some events, centerpieces are not that important and may not take much of preparation and consideration. But with weddings, these beautiful embellishments usually found in the reception are extremely important as these items, likewise, set the mood in the area.

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Wedding centerpieces are not necessarily the "center of attraction" in the event. But they do complement the bride and the group along with the other details of the wedding.

Normally, wedding centerpieces are not included in the reception or the catering; hence, it is a must that you hire the best provider of wedding centerpieces.

So, for people who wish to obtain some tips on choosing wedding centerpieces, here are some pointers that you could use:

1. In most cases, flowers are the best wedding centerpieces. They add color and life in the reception area.

Best of all, flowers can enliven the spirit of those who are present in the reception. It gives a homey feeling, thus, making the reception program more fascinating.

2. Do not just go with the flowers. Consider the arranger as well. The flower arranger could also be the same arranger you have hired to decorate the church.

The wrong flower arrangement, color, and types of flowers used as centerpieces can do more harm than good. Hence, it is a must that pertinent details like this one should be considered seriously.

3. Shop around

Do not be constrained on one establishment only. It is best to shop around and get more ideas on wedding centerpieces. Flowers are not the only thing that is considered as good wedding centerpieces. You can also have some candles, glass bowls, floating and scented candles, etc.

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