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THIS YEAR'S HOTTEST LOOKS AND ENTERTAINING IDEAS
FOR CELEBRATING NUPTIALS OR ANY SPECIAL OCCASION.

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Garden Party

Taking inspiration from our trendsetting friends across the pond.



PARTY IN BLOOM (clockwise from bottom, right): Flowery invitations preview what's to come; bouquets appear just-plucked; a lush floral venue sets the scene; mini desserts, such as tartlets, bite-size eclairs, and tiny pastel cupcakes topped with confectionery posies, replace a standard layer cake; gowns and veil blossom with 3-D appliqué; English china graces a tea bar; bridesmaids don delicate flowers in their hair.

BOHO FEST (opposite; clockwise from top, center): A wildly natural outdoor setting lays the groundwork; flowers form intricate patterns up a stairway; votives nestle among leafy boughs for a festive table runner; bold mixed-metal jewelry stands ready to adorn a bride and her maids; an earthy vine veil cascades down a peasant-style bridal dress; an apple branch flanks an exotic urn on a side table.





Bohemian

Extolling the eclectic charm of the free-spirited.



Casual

Continuing to regale in rustic elegance.





INFORMAL AFFAIR (opposite; clockwise from top, left): Horses play a role, carrying newlyweds from ceremony site to reception via buggy or wagon; dressed in interior lights, a barn serves as a dining room; breakfast items show up in unexpected places, for example, in an alternative three-layer pancake cake; flanked by his men in ties and suspenders, a groom stands out in a casual vest; ranch-style candlesticks and an oil lamp highlight a collection of antique cutting boards; handmade signage identifies food stations, such as a taco bar.

BLACK-TIE FETE (this page; counter-clockwise from bottom, left): A reception takes place inside a crisp white tent bedecked with flags; a bride wears an updo and a traditional white veil and gown and carries an all white-flower bouquet; sheer lace covers bridesmaids' bodices above soft tulle, tea-length skirts; a groom sports a black tie, tux, and patent leather shoes; a nosegay stands pertly in a stately pale blue Louis XV Bergère chair.



Formal

Honoring a return to classic opulence.

It's in the Details

Personal nuances make an event unique.

BY ERIN ROTTMAN



Intimate Celebrations

Couples exchange vows beneath a 400-year-old oak tree at **HammerSky Vineyards & Inn** (hammersky.com), where rolling hills and vineyard views appeal to the trend toward daytime weddings. About 12 miles from downtown Paso Robles, HammerSky is less about expensive crystal champagne coupes than it is about family and friends really connecting, says owner Kim Hauck. "Paso is such a beautiful place that I want to share it with the world," she says. With a 50-guest maximum, HammerSky cultivates an intimate experience as guests circulate from grasslands to afternoon lawn games to a restored 1904 farmhouse.

On the Map

Along with invitations, Michelle Castle, owner of **Honey Paper** (honey-paper.com) in Los Olivos, creates custom watercolor maps for save-the-date cards, welcome packets, and wedding websites to show where weekend events are taking place and convey the beauty of an area. She uses icons, like a horse, a grapevine, or a pier, and incorporates elements from the event, such as flowers and colors to reflect the personality of the honorees.



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: LEFT: ALENA SOBOLEVA; JEN RODRIGUEZ PHOTOGRAPHY; COURTESY OF HONEY PAPER; ALENA SOBOLEVA



Treasures for Rent

Vintage glasses from the 1960s and '70s are the most popular items at **Otis + Pearl Vintage Rentals** (otisandpearl.com) in Ventura. They also happen to be owner Gretchen Ulrich's favorite pieces in her handpicked collection, which features vintage china, brass candlesticks, kilim rugs, wooden signs, and other items not found at the average rental company. The glasses come in vibrant jewel tones, look unique when mismatched, and can be incorporated with either classic china or modern décor. Ulrich says she loves finding them at thrift stores, estate sales, flea markets, and swap meets. "It's like treasure hunting every day," she says.

A Worthy Case

When searching out the materials to begin making her luxurious engagement and wedding ring boxes, Summer Watkins, creator of **The Mrs. Box** (themrsbox.com), ordered samples from nearly a dozen countries before she found the company in Japan from which she now sources velvet, custom-dyed in popular wedding shades. Whether it's in a favorite color or it matches the ceremonial scheme, each box can be personalized with a vintage foil-press monogram. The spring collection includes this year's hottest hues, like apricot pink and sage green, but Watkins never stops searching for colors, even if it means cutting up a great dress in her closet for color-matching in Japan.

Everlasting Blooms

Flowers are to parties as cream is to coffee, but crisp, paper florals can provide a theatrical element as well as long-lasting enjoyment.

Santa Barbara-based **Fanciful Designs** (fancifulshop.com) offers for rent or purchase white roses, magnolias, camellias, and gardenias made with 100-percent cotton paper imported from France. A larger-than-life 18-inch flower may adorn the back of a bride's chair or a variety of sizes might make a 12-foot by 12-foot backdrop of blooms.



A Word in the Hand

"It's taking the words and giving them expression," says Carpinteria-based artist Joya Rose Groves of the paper goods she creates at **Joya Rose Lettering & Illustration** (joyarose.com). Groves uses watercolor, India ink, and gouache to give an ethereal feel to custom lettering for save the dates, invitations, place cards, maps, and menus. Her favorite tool: the Princeton Artist Brush Company's Select Liner 2 paintbrush because of the way upstrokes made with it contrast with downstrokes, creating different thicknesses and inconsistencies. "What most of us really like when we see hand lettering," Groves says, "is that you can tell there was a hand."

(CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT) PHOTO: LAKE & NECTA, STYLING: WILD HEART EVENTS; FLOWERS: FORAGE FLOREALS; FURNISHINGS: MILK & HONEY FARMS; PHOTO: JOSE VILLA AND JOEL SERRATO, STYLING: TYPE A SOCIETY AND GREY LINES; WEDDINGS: RINGS, TRUMPET AND HORN; LUCIA GILL PHOTOGRAPHY; PHOTO: KRISTEN BEINKE PHOTOGRAPHY; STYLING: TOAST SANTA BARBARA, SHOT ON LOCATION AT STUDIO 110

Wedding Weekends

As rehearsals and rehearsal dinners are counterbalanced with morning-after breakfasts and other post-vow activities, many wedding celebrations are now long-weekend events. A typical wedding weekend at the **Greengate Ranch & Vineyard** (greengateweddings.com) in San Luis Obispo wine country starts when the bridal party and close family check in on Thursday. Such retreats alleviate stress by eliminating the logistics involved when using multiple venues, says Corinne Smith, director of marketing and events, who says the Greengate staff can organize surf lessons, a painting bar, or massages. "It gives the bride and groom a chance to really relax and spend some quality time with people they love," Smith says. Up to 30 guests will be able to stay on the property once the third house, the Vineyard Cottage, is completed in June.



Chalk Talk

About a year ago, Oxnard freelance graphic designer Gina Lu's best friend was planning her wedding and asked Lu to design a chalkboard that said, "Welcome to the wedding," with the date and location, to stand at the entrance of the reception. What began as a favor quickly became **Gina Lu Designs** (etsy.com/shop/ginaludesigns), a custom chalkboard sign company that has provided people from the Hamptons to Hawaii with signage for birthday parties, showers, and weddings. Lu writes in script, modern calligraphy, and whimsical, uppercase block lettering with bold chalk markers and acrylic paint. She applies a protective matte sealant afterward so the board remains a one-of-a-kind keepsake.

Garden Variety

Opened last June in the Santa Monica Mountains' Hidden Valley, **Epona Estate Vineyard** (eponaestate.com) has several spaces for wedding ceremonies that epitomize this year's romantic garden-party look: Lavender Garden abounds with the fragrant purple herb and white roses; Secret Rose Garden teems with more of the classic floral symbols of love; Waterfall Garden features bridges over calm water that runs from below the falls; and Arbor Garden is a showcase for three trellises and a view of the mountains. Only one event takes place each day, so couples can make use of all four spaces. It's close to Westlake Village hotels and restaurants, but "you feel like you're away from everything," says venue director Sheila Mayfield, who calls Epona the "venue in the vines."



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Create your own style with
these local vendors and venues.

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BEAUTY

Brit Tarr Hair and Makeup
Simi Valley, brittarr.com

Mobile Bridal Salon
mobilebridalsalon.com

Rhonda Johnson
Cambria, bridalmakeupandhair.com

The Studio Agency, Cathryn Van Breene
Santa Barbara, thestudioagency.com

StudioLash
Agoura Hills and Ventura, studiolash.net

Team Hair & Makeup
Santa Barbara, teamhairandmakeupservice.com

BRIDAL WEAR

Lili Bridals
Tarzana, lilibridals.com

Panache Bridal
Santa Barbara, panachebridals.com

CAKES/DESSERTS

Bread Basket Cake Company
Camarillo, facebook.com/breadbasketcakecompany

The Cakery
Santa Margarita, slocakery.com

Christine Dahl Pastries
Santa Barbara, santabarbaracakes.com

Christine's Cake Creations
Paso Robles, christinescakecreations.com

Crushcakes & Cafe
Carpinteria, Santa Barbara, Goleta, crushcakes.com

Decadence Fine Cakes & Confections
Buellton, decadenceweddingcakes.com

Enjoy Cupcakes
Santa Barbara and Los Olivos, enjoycupcakes.com

For Heavens Cakes
Thousand Oaks, forheavencakes.com

Frost It Cakery
Thousand Oaks, frostitcakery.com

Sprinkles Cupcakes
Westlake Village, sprinkles.com

The Sugar Lab
Ventura, thesugarlab.net

Sweet Arleen's
Westlake Village, sweetarleens.com

Your Cake Baker
Santa Barbara, 805-845-5519

CATERERS

**Command Performance Catering
Group & Event Production**
Moorpark, cpcatering.com

DJ's California Catering
Ventura, djscatering.com

Duo Catering & Events
Santa Barbara, duoevents.com

Four Seasons Hotel Westlake Village
fourseasons.com/westlakevillage

Justine's Private Cuisine
Thousand Oaks, justinesprivatecuisine.com

New West Catering
Buellton, newwestcatering.com

Pure Joy Catering
Santa Barbara, purejoycatering.com

Rock Chef Rolls
Westlake Village, rockchefrolls.com

Seasons Catering
Ventura, seasons cateringca.com

DANCE INSTRUCTION

Arthur Murray Dance Centers
Thousand Oaks, Ventura, Santa Barbara, and
Canoga Park, arthurmurray.com

EVENT PLANNERS & DESIGNERS

Alegria by Design
Santa Barbara, alegriabydesign.com

Amber Weir Weddings and Events
Santa Barbara, amberweir.com

Bella Vita Events
Westlake Village, bellavitaevents.com

Bijoux Events
Santa Barbara, bijouxevents.com



Churchill House Events
Westlake Village, churchill-intl.com

Exquisite Events
Westlake Village, exquisiteevents.com

Imagine Weddings and Special Events
Santa Barbara, imaginesb.com

Joy Proctor Design
Santa Barbara, joyproctor.com

La Fleur Weddings & Events
Santa Ynez, lafleurweddings.com

Lisa Vorce Co
Los Angeles, lisavorce.com

Grace Lorenzen
San Luis Obispo, gracelorenzen.com

Merryl Brown Events
Montecito, merrylbrown.com

Nico Cervantes NLC Productions
Santa Barbara, nicosb.com

Rani Hoover Inspired Weddings & Events
Santa Barbara and Santa Ynez, ranihoover.com

Santa Barbara Wine Country Weddings & Events
sbwinecountryevents.com

VP Events, Inc.
Westlake Village, vpevents.com

XOXO Bride Events
Ojai, xoxobride.com

FLORISTS

Camellia Floral Design
Santa Barbara, camelliafloraldesign.com

The English Garden
Westlake Village, theenglishgarden.com

Huckleberry Market
San Luis Obispo, huckleberrymarket.com

Knot Just Flowers
Oxnard, knotjustflowersdesign.com

Laurel White Adornments Flowers & Finery
San Luis Obispo, adornmentsflowers.com

Luna Gardens
Westlake Village, lunagardensevents.com

Mindy Rice Floral and Event Design
Santa Barbara and Los Olivos, mindyrice.com

Rena's Bouquet
Santa Ynez, renaesbouquet.com

Hogue & Co. Floral & Event Design
Montecito, hoguefloral.com

Westlake Florist
Westlake Village, westlakeflowers.com

JEWELERS

Ben Bridge
Thousand Oaks and Canoga Park, benbridge.com

Bryant & Sons, Ltd.
Montecito and Santa Barbara, bryantandsons.com

Daniel Gibbings
Montecito, danielgibbingsjewelry.com

Dejaun Jewelers
Thousand Oaks and Woodland Hills, dejaun.com

Gaspar Jewelers
Santa Barbara, gasparjewelers.com

Jewelry by Gauthier
Santa Barbara, jewelrybygauthier.com

Kirk Jewelers
Westlake Village, kirkjewelersca.com

Marshalls Jewelers
San Luis Obispo, marshalls1889.com

Moyen & Co. Jewellers
Westlake Village, moyenco.com

Peregrine Galleries (vintage)
Montecito, peregrinegalleries.com

Polacheck's Jewelers
Calabasas, polachecks.com

Silverhorn
Montecito, silverhorn.com

Tiffany & Co.
Santa Barbara and Canoga Park, tiffany.com

Van Gundy Jewelers
Camarillo and Ventura, vangundys.com

Vintage Malibu
vintagemalibu.com

LINGERIE

Kate & Lace
Westlake Village, kateandlace.com

Les Boudoirs
Westlake Village, lesboudoirs.com

LOCATIONS—COUNTRY CLUBS

Calabasas Country Club
calabasasgolf.com

Montecito Country Club
montecitocc.com

Moorpark Country Club
moorparkgolf.com

North Ranch Country Club
Westlake Village, northranchcc.org

Santa Barbara Polo & Racquet Club
Carpinteria, sbpolo.com

Sherwood Country Club
Thousand Oaks, sherwoodcc.com

Spanish Hills Country Club
Camarillo, spanishhillswedding.com

Wood Ranch Golf Club
Simi Valley, woodranchgfc.com

LOCATIONS—HOTELS/RESORTS

The Alisal Guest Ranch and Resort
Solvang, alisal.com

Allegretto Vineyard Resort
Paso Robles, ayreshotels.com

Bacara Resort & Spa
Santa Barbara, bacararesort.com

Belmond El Encanto
Santa Barbara, belmond.com/el-encanto-santa-barbara

Canary, a Kimpton Hotel
Santa Barbara, canarysantabarbara.com

Crowne Plaza Ventura Beach
Ventura, cpventura.com

Dolphin Bay Resort & Spa
Pismo Beach, thedolphinbay.com

The Fess Parker: A Doubletree by Hilton Resort
Santa Barbara, fpdtr.com

Four Seasons Hotel Westlake Village
fourseasons.com/westlakevillage

Four Seasons Resort The Biltmore Santa Barbara
fourseasons.com/santabarbara

Hotel Cheval
Paso Robles, hotelcheval.com

Hyatt Westlake Plaza
Westlake Village, westlake.hyatt.com

Inn at Morro Bay
innatmorrobay.com

Ojai Valley Inn & Spa
ojairesort.com

Palm Garden Hotel
Thousand Oaks, palmgardenhotel.com

The Pierpont Inn
Ventura, pierpontinn.com

San Ysidro Ranch
Montecito, sanysidroranch.com

SeaVenture Beach Hotel & Restaurant
Pismo Beach, seaventure.com

Sycamore Mineral Springs Resort & Spa
San Luis Obispo, sycamoresprings.com

Westlake Village Inn
westlakevillageinn.com

LOCATIONS—WINERIES/VINEYARDS

Eberle Winery
Paso Robles, eberlewinery.com

Edna Valley Vineyard
San Luis Obispo, ednavalleyvineyard.com

Epona Estate
Westlake Village, eponaestate.com

Fess Parker Winery & Vineyard
Los Olivos, fessparker.com

Firestone Vineyard
Los Olivos, firestonewine.com

Gainey Vineyard
Santa Ynez, gaineyvineyard.com

Greengate Ranch & Vineyard
San Luis Obispo, greengateweddings.com

HammerSky Vineyards & Inn
Paso Robles, hammersky.com

Herzog Wine Cellars
Oxnard, herzogwinecellars.com

Justin
Paso Robles, justinwine.com

The Narrative Loft
Santa Barbara, thenarrativeloft.com

Niner Wine Estates
Paso Robles, ninerwine.com

Opolo Vineyards
Paso Robles, opolo.com

Refugio Ranch Vineyards
Santa Ynez, refugioranch.com

Robert Hall Winery
Paso Robles, roberthallwinery.com

Saddlerock Ranch
Malibu, malibuwines.com

SummerWood Winery & Inn
Paso Robles, summerwoodwine.com

Sunstone Vineyards, Winery and Villa
Santa Ynez, sunstonewinery.com

Tooth & Nail Winery
Paso Robles, toothandnailwinery.com

Triunfo Creek Vineyards
Agoura Hills, triunfocreekvineyards.com

Vina Robles
Paso Robles, vinarobles.com

Zaca Creek Ranch
Santa Ynez, zacacreekranch.com

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LOCATIONS—OTHER VENUES

Calamigos Guest Ranch
Malibu, malibuweddings.com

Duke's
Malibu, dukesmalibu.com

Figueroa Mountain Farmhouse
Los Olivos, farmhouse rental.com

Granada Theatre
Santa Barbara, granadasb.org

Hartley Botanica
Somis, hartleybotanica.com

Hummingbird Nest
Simi Valley, hummingbirdnestranch.com

Limoneira Co.
Santa Paula, limoneira.com

Maravilla Gardens
Camarillo, mgardens.com

PARTY/TENT RENTALS, DJS, & EVENT PRODUCTION

Bella Vista Designs
Santa Barbara, bellavistadesigns.com

Bruce Barrios Productions
Ventura, brucebarrios.com

Classic Party Rentals
Santa Barbara, santabarbara.classicpartyrentals.com

Elan Event Rentals
Santa Barbara, elaneventrentals.com

Gypset Events
Malibu, gypsetevent.com

La Tavola Fine Linen Rental
Santa Barbara, latavolalinen.com

Otis + Pearl Vintage Rentals
Ventura, otisandpearl.com

Pretty Vintage Rentals
Westlake Village, prettyvintagerentals.com

Scout Rental Co.
Templeton, scoutrentalco.com

Spark Creative Events
Santa Barbara, sparkcreativeevents.com

The Tent Merchant
Santa Barbara, thetentmerchant.com

Town & Country
Santa Barbara, townandcountryeventrentals.com

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cameroningalls.com

Jeff Newsom Photographer
jeffnewsom.com

Jennifer Rau Photography
jsrphotography.com

Jenny Quicksall Photography
jennyquicksall.com

Jose Villa Photography
josevillaphoto.com

Joel Serrato Films + Photographs
Solvang, joelserratofilms.com

Katie Moos Photography
katiemoos.com

Megan Sorel Photography
megansorel.com

Melissa Musgrove Photography
melissamusgrove.com

Mi Belle Photographers
mibelleinc.com

Michael + Anna Costa Photography
michaelandannacosta.com

Michelle Warren Photography
mwfoto.com

Nancy Neil Photographer
lovenancyneil.com

Susan Bordelon Photography
susanbordelon.com

Wild Whim Design + Photography
wildwhimphotography.com

REGISTRY

Coast 2 Coast Collection
Santa Barbara, c2ccollection.com

Hudson Grace
Montecito, hudsongracesf.com

STATIONERY

Emily Rose Papers
Simi Valley, emilyrosepapers.com

Fla-de-Dahs
Westlake Village, fla-de-dahs.com

Honey Paper
Los Olivos, honey-paper.com

Kathleen Cooper Fine Papers
Santa Barbara, kathleencooperfinepapers.com

Lazaro Press & Design
Santa Barbara, lazaropress.com

Letter Perfect's Ink, Design & Nature
Montecito, letterperfect-ink-design-nature.com

The Stationery Collection
Montecito, stationerycollection.com

TRANSPORTATION

Getting Out Limos
Ventura, gettingoutlimos.com

Jump on the School Bus
Santa Barbara, jumpontheschoolbus.com

Malibu Trolley
Westlake Village, malibutrolley.com ♦

