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Gifts for Wedding Guests

By Liza N. Burby

Though you and your partner are the stars of your wedding day, your constellation includes a bridal party and all the guests who are there to celebrate with you. Show them your appreciation with gifts for every budget, from a small token to something a bit more elaborate. All will add a sparkle to an already dazzling day.

SHOW IT OFF

Framed wedding photos are a wonderful way to share your memories, but getting them processed can be tedious. The 10-inch Wi-Fi connected Skylight Frame lets you email the photos directly to the digital frame so they appear instantly. It can store 8,000 photos. \$159 at skylightframe.com

Photo credit: Skylight



TAG THAT BAG

Made of beechwood, these elegant bag tags are useful bridesmaids favors or as placeholders for your reception. The tags can be personalized with wedding-themed designs, including diamonds, crowns and flamingos (perfect for resort destination weddings), and come in 18 colors and 12 font options. \$7.95 each at stuckonyou.com

Photo credit: Stuck on You



HANG IT UP

Keep those bridal party dresses organized with custom wooden hangers. Starting at \$9.99 each at Ronkonkoma-based Made With Love by Mandi; madewithlovebymandi.com

Photo credit: Made With Love by Mandi



STUFF IT

The Hunter Toiletry Bag will keep grooming essentials perfectly organized. It has a removable, zippered interior pouch for toothbrush, contact lens case or comb, a side slip pocket and detachable air mesh brush pouch. The extra volume provides enough space for TSA-sized toiletries. It's made of waterproof neoprene and comes in 13 colors (sea mist, below). Small, \$35; large (shown), \$55; extra-large, \$75 at Bandier in Manhasset and dagnedover.com

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BLOOM BOX

The Bedside Smartphone Vase lets you keep your phone cord nestled in the groove on the bottom of the stand so you can charge your device while it sits pretty among the flowers. \$32 at uncommongoods.com

Photo credit: uncommongoods.com

PUCKER UP

Make bridal party smiles shine with sheer lip tints from Babo Botanicals. Sold individually and in three-packs in plum rose, seka rose and wild rose, the sheer shades smooth and condition lips, and contain SPF 15 for protection during those outdoor wedding photos. \$9.95 each; \$19.99 for three at babobotanicals.com

Photo credit: Babo Botanicals



SHARE THE BLING

Matching jewelry can be a fun accessory on your wedding day — or all the prep days before, like the bachelorette party. These Pente Bangles come as a set of five 14K gold-plated bracelets in an assortment of widths with cubic zirconia highlights. Depending on your budget, give one bangle or a set to each member of your bridal party. \$195 for the set at L'Armoire, larmoirenewcanaan.com

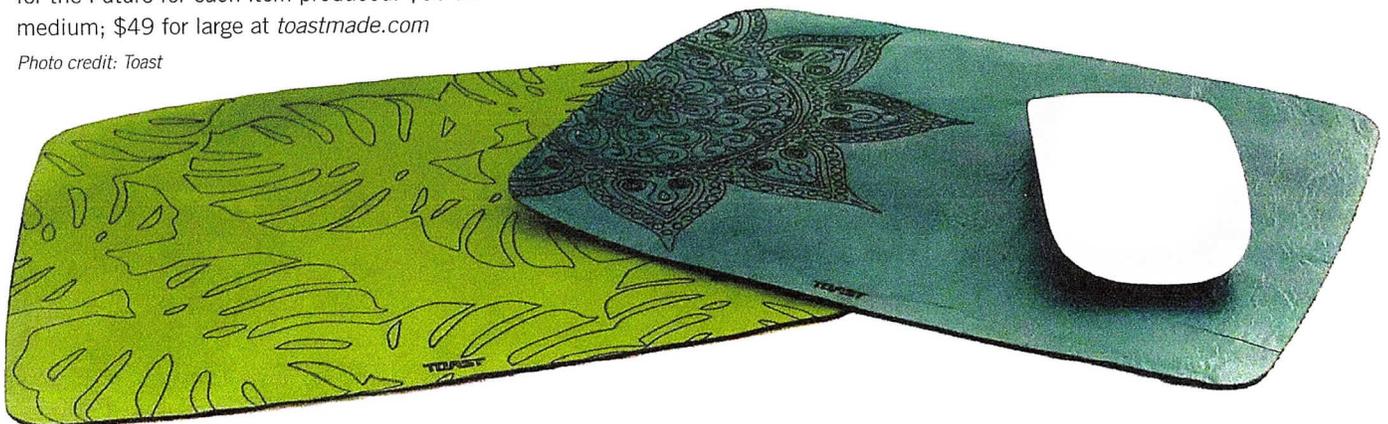
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MOUSE ON OVER

Get your wedding date, bridesmaids' names or favorite group photo etched onto a leather mousepad from Toast to commemorate your friendship. Handcrafted in Oregon, they come in 10 colors and five designs and are water-resistant and customizable, plus, 1 percent of net sales goes to environmental nonprofits. Toast also plants a tree seedling through Trees for the Future for each item produced. \$39 for medium; \$49 for large at toastmade.com

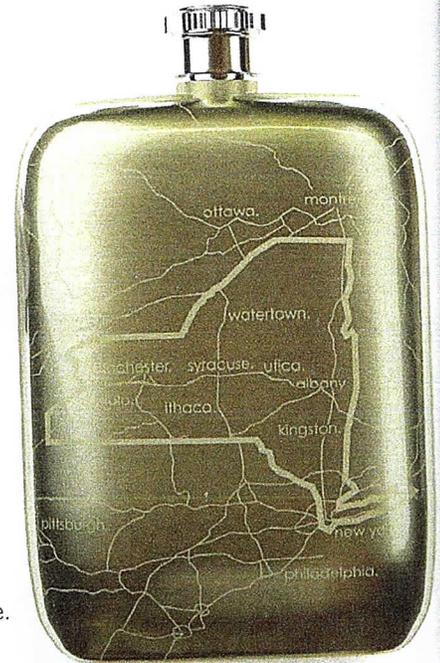
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A FLASK SO HIP

Who says only guys can carry a flask? This style from Well Told will appeal to anyone who likes to carry their favorite beverage in style. Have your hometown, college town, state or global locations engraved on these 6-ounce stainless steel. They come in black, white and stainless for \$29.50 at welltolddesign.com

Photo credit: Well Told

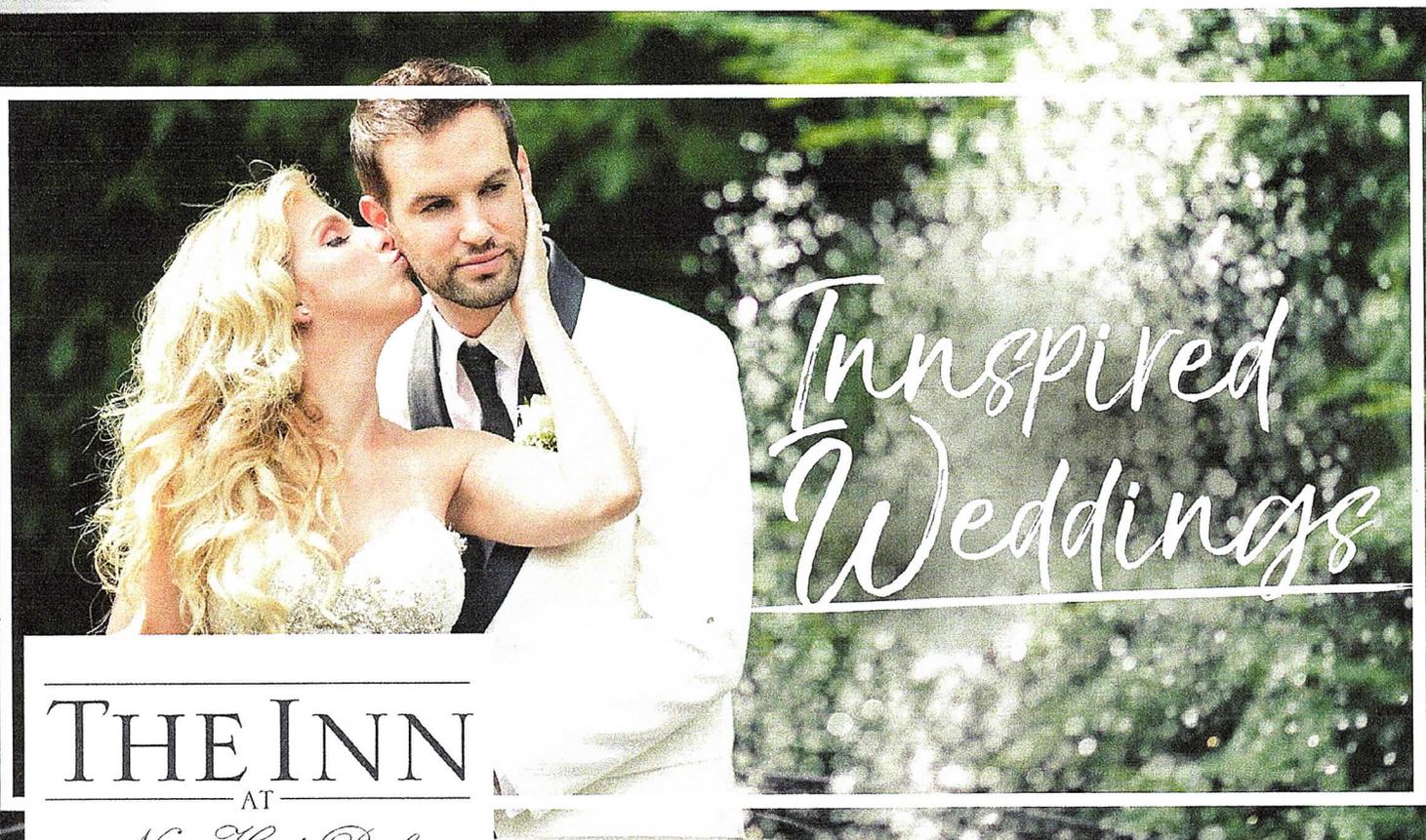


A LIGHT ON FRIENDSHIP

Show your friends your affection with the Highgate Heart Tealight in a gift box. The rounded glass heart shape is handmade by master glassblowers at Simon Pearce in Vermont and Maryland. It includes a tealight candle and custom gift box. \$40 at Main Street Nursery in Huntington and simonpearce.com

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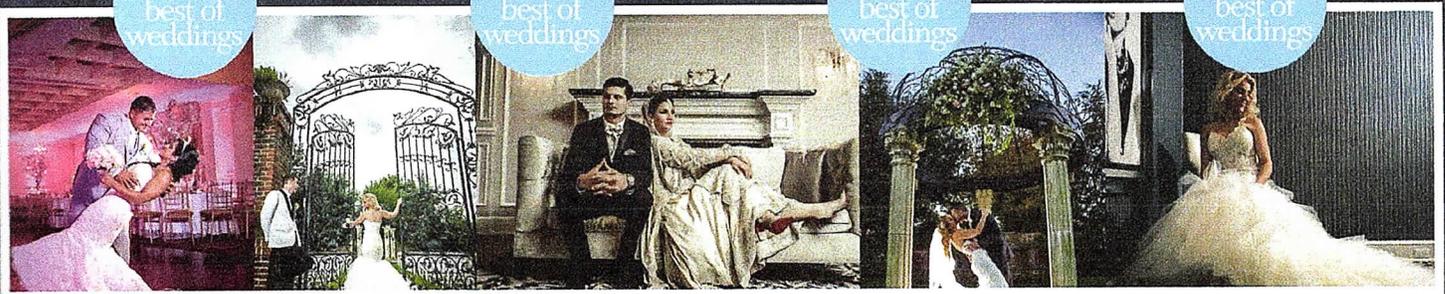
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CONFETTI YOU CAN EAT

Sugar-coated almonds — also called confetti — are an Italian, French and Greek tradition at weddings, and now there are beautiful ways to display them. Shown here are flowers in which each petal secures five pieces of confetti with each almond representing a wish for the couple: health, wealth, happiness, children and a long life. Choose from cappuccino, pistachio, lemon, cherry, tiramisu, stracciatella and caramel; imported from Italy. Tags can be created with your own message. \$4.95-\$7.95, from Fairy Tale Affairs in Massapequa

Park. fairytaleaffairs.com

Photo credit: Fairy Tale Affairs



SO SWEET

These treats from Yvonne's Invitations & Favors in Hicksville include personalized chocolate miniatures, gum favors (both shown in nautical themes) and candy-bar favors. Options include hand-glitter and rhinestone embellishments. Mini chocolates start at \$18.99 for a batch of 48; gum, \$2.35 each; and candy bars start at \$2.49, at Yvonne's Invitations & Favors, invitationsbyyvonne.com and etsy.com/shop/candybarboutique

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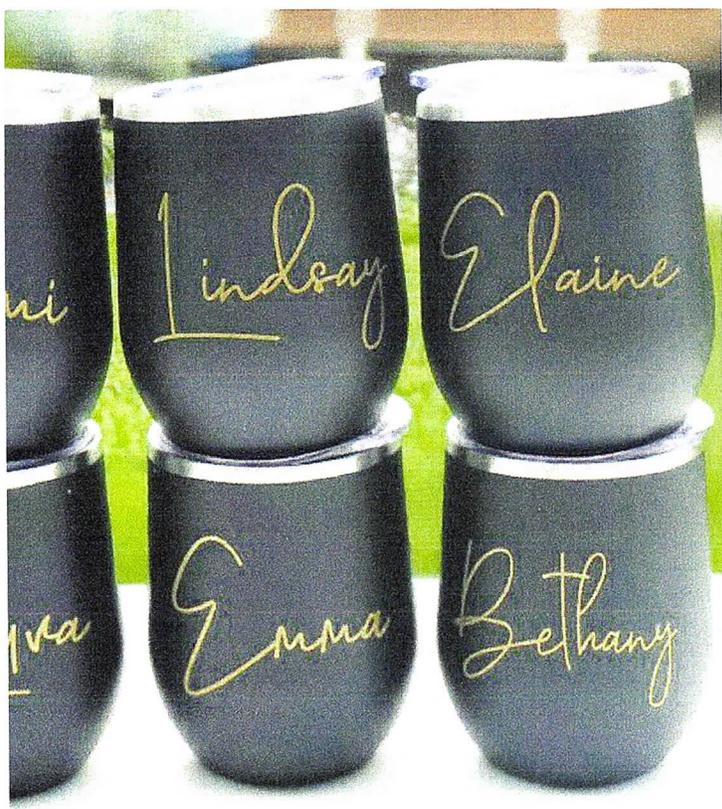
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NOT YOUR BABY'S SIPPY CUP

How cute are these stemless sippy wine cups? A gift your bridal party can use on summer outings, the 12-ounce insulated travel cup comes with a clear push-on lid and matching straw, and is BPA-free. Starting at \$12 each, madewithlovebymandi.com

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