

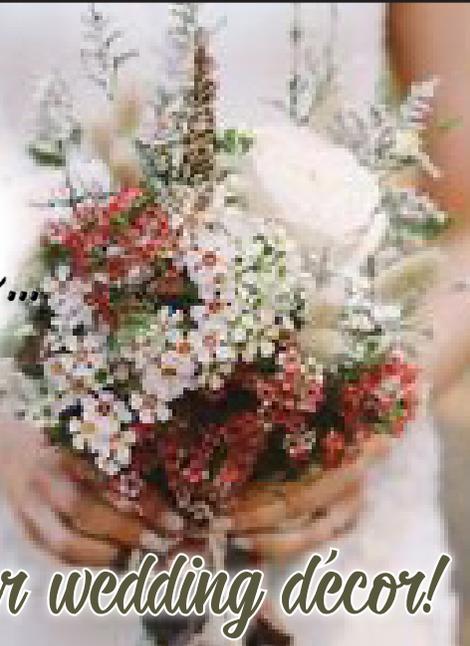


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# 3 tips for a memorable first dance

Your first dance as a married couple can be as exciting (and as nerve-racking) as walking down the aisle. Here are a few tips to ensure it's a moment you'll look back on fondly for years to come.

1. Choose a well-known song, or ask your DJ to create a mashup of genres so you can transition from a graceful waltz into an energetic salsa or swing dance routine.
2. Hire a professional to choreograph the dance, and be sure to rehearse it (in the shoes you'll wear at the wedding) until you feel comfortable with every step.
3. If neither of you are particularly good dancers, opt for a slow romantic song and go all out on light or smoke effects to make your simple moves look more dynamic.

Above all else, don't worry too much about putting on a show for your guests. It's your day after all, so make your first dance a moment you'll enjoy.



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# 5 things to consider when choosing your wedding cake

As one of the key components of most weddings, decisions about the cake shouldn't be left until the last minute. Here are five factors to consider before you order yours.

## 1. THE NUMBER OF GUESTS

You want to make sure there's plenty to go around. However, it would be a shame to waste your money on an excessively large cake and have to throw some out.

## 2. THE WEDDING THEME

The cake is as much a part of the decor as the flowers. Don't hesitate to bring a copy of the invitation, color samples and pictures of the decorations to guide the baker.

## 3. THE DESIGN

In addition to choosing the shape of the cake and the number of tiers, consider what decorative elements you'd like to incorporate. Fresh flowers, edible gold leaves and chocolate lace are just some of the many choices.

## 4. THE FLAVOR

From praline mouse to passion fruit, you might be surprised by how many options are available. Fortunately, most cake shops offer tastings to help you make your choice.

## 5. THE INGREDIENTS

If you have a limited budget, determine if you favor high-quality ingredients over a refined look. You should also consider if any of your guests have allergies.

Contact cake shops in your area to schedule a consultation and make sure your cake checks all the boxes.







# 3 extraordinary marriage proposals to inspire you

Have you decided to ask your partner to marry you? If you're wondering how to make sure the moment is perfect, here are three incredible stories of how people popped the question. (Spoiler alert: they all said yes!)

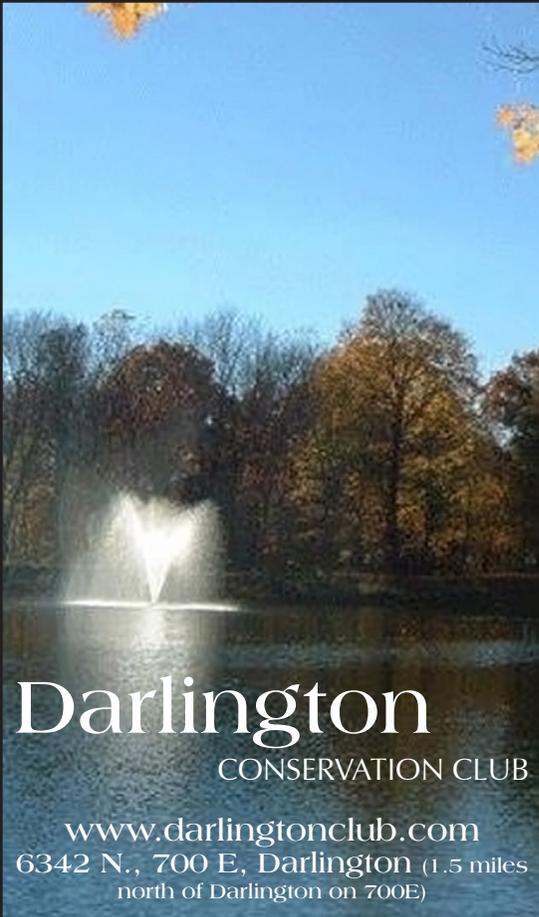
1. Filmmaker Lee Loechler took his high school sweetheart, Sthuthi David, to a special screening of *Sleeping Beauty* in the Boston area. Toward the end of the film, as the prince approached the sleeping princess, the animation changed to feature characters who resembled Lee and Sthuthi. After waking her with a
2. Politician Tim Wilson delivered a speech on the floor of the Australian parliament in favor of a bill to legalize same-sex marriage. The bill had passed the senate the previous week and was being debated in the lower house. As the member of parliament concluded
3. Inspired by videos of flash mobs she'd seen online, Isabelle Marin put together an elaborate performance for her partner, Jean-François Dumais, at a shopping mall in the Quebec City region. A violinist serenaded him in the food

kiss and holding out a ring, the cartoon prince Lee tossed the ring box off screen for his real-life self to catch. Lee got down on one knee and, in front of friends and family members who'd been sitting at the back of the theater, he asked Sthuthi to marry him.

his speech, he turned his attention to the public gallery where his long-time fiancé, Ryan Patrick Bolger, was sitting. The couple had been engaged for nearly a decade but were unable to make it official. Tim looked up at Ryan and proposed once again. The bill passed and, three months later, the couple married.

court and a dance troupe performed in the atrium. Friends and family members emerged from the gathering crowd to hand Jean-François roses. Then, as local singer (and friend) Méliissa Bédard belted out a ballad, Isabelle made her entrance on an escalator and got down on one knee.

If there's one thing to take away from these stories, it's that you can be as creative and theatrical as you want during a proposal — the important thing is to give it your personal touch.



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Restrictions put in place during the pandemic make it challenging, if not impossible, to travel to most prime honeymoon destinations. And once you arrive, who knows what restaurants and attractions will be open. So, while white sandy beaches and European cafes may be out of reach, a romantic staycation should hardly be considered settling for second best.

## ALL THE COMFORTS OF HOME

First and foremost, you don't have to worry about contracting the coronavirus if you choose to honeymoon from the comfort of your home. Additionally, you'll avoid the hassle of preparing for a trip — no need to renew your passport, get vaccinated, convert your cash or buy travel insurance. Plus, you won't have to pack, and you can be sure that the bedding hasn't been used by strangers.

## INDULGE IN AN ARRAY OF LUXURIES

Under normal circumstances, a trip to Paris or Tahiti would set you back a few thousand dollars. Without airfare and hotel bookings eating up your budget, you may be able to afford one or more indulgences. For example, you could:

- Order all of your meals from restaurants and get them delivered right to your door.

- Splurge on a high-end sectional sofa, king-size bed or home theater system.
- Surprise your partner with designer lingerie, and drink only fine wines every night.

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## 3 reasons to say 'I do' to a small wedding

While it can be a challenge to narrow down the guest list for such an important event, there's something to be said for having a small wedding. Here are three reasons to consider opting for an intimate celebration.

### 1. YOU'LL SAVE ON EXPENSES

If you have a limited budget, reducing the number of guests allows you to book a smaller, more affordable venue and lower the cost of food, drinks and decorations. Consequently, it may free up money for luxuries like a gourmet menu, designer shoes or a live band.

### 2. YOU'LL LIKELY FEEL LESS STRESS

It's generally easier (or at least less daunting) to plan a small wedding. You'll have more venue options, the

seating chart will be simple and decorating will be quicker. Plus, if you don't like being in the spotlight, you'll probably feel more comfortable in front of fewer people.

### 3. YOU'LL HAVE MORE TIME FOR YOUR GUESTS

A small wedding means you'll have fewer people to greet during the reception. Rather than circulate from table to table all evening, you'll be able to spend quality time with loved ones and enjoy every moment to the fullest.

Indeed, a small wedding has all the makings of a romantic and memorable day.

## The perfect dress for your body type

One of the most important factors to consider when searching for the perfect wedding dress is what silhouette will best flatter your figure. While the consultants at a local bridal boutique can offer more personalized recommendations, here are a few basic tips for some common body shapes.

- **Hourglass.** Show off your natural curves with a sheath dress or a mermaid gown, and accentuate your chest with a sweetheart neckline.
- **Pear-shape.** Choose an A-line or ballgown silhouette to accentuate your natural waistline, and balance the full skirt with a boat neckline or cap sleeves.
- **Rectangle.** Create a sexy silhouette with a bias cut or fit-and-flare dress in a lightweight fabric, and opt for a V-neckline and low back.
- **Diamond.** Select a gown with a flared skirt and thin straps or a detailed bodice that will draw attention to your upper body.
- **Inverted triangle.** Balance your proportions by pairing a high neckline and long sleeves with a slit or asymmetrical skirt that emphasizes your legs.
- **Round.** Opt for the flowing skirts of an empire-waist gown, and provide support for your chest with a boat neckline and an elegant off-the-shoulder look.

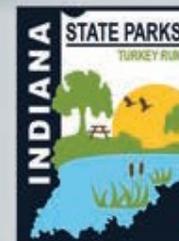
Keep in mind that these are just guidelines, and the important thing is that you feel comfortable and beautiful in the dress you choose.



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