



Rent a Rolls-Royce Phantom for the big day.

Room To Zoom!

If you arrive at a wedding and see five jaw-dropping rides parked out front—there's a good chance Benny Black's Platinum Motorcars is behind the scene. With nearly 25 cars in his stable—and emblems that range from Aston Martin to Maybach to Ferrari—Black has catered to the most discriminating of Dallas' well-heeled. This season, keep your eyes on Hotel Zaza, where Black pairs hot cars with the hotel's haute suites for an all-inclusive bridal package. And if you're in need of a slick ride on the fly, Black has plans to open a second showroom in the Zaza lobby this fall. platinummotorcars.net —Brian Berusch

Couple's Therapy

For true prenuptial bliss, experience the Rosewood Crescent Hotel's "Stimulus Package for Two." Stay, shop, spa and eat without ever bidding adieu to the complex. With packages starting at just \$295 a night for a Superior Room, expect an all-inclusive to-do list and of course, free valet. Kick off your coupling staycation with the hour-long duet massage that features the award-winning Spa at the Crescent's signature aromatherapy treatments. Before using the included 10-percent discount at Nobu or The Crescent Club, take advantage of an enviable markdown at Stanley Korshak (a new cocktail number may be just the answer for that upcoming shower) and a complimentary beauty consult. For the perfect morning

after, enjoy the package's breakfast for two in chef Gianni Santin's Conservatory—think egg white primavera or pancakes with strawberry Chantilly. Wedded to the idea already? Better hurry, this dream date is only available through Sept. 7. 400 Crescent Ct., 214.871.3200 or rosewoodcrescent.com

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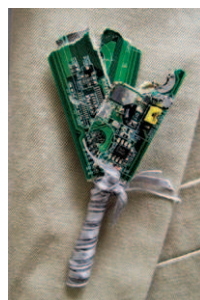


Take an in-town break at the Crescent.

In It To Pin It

The way floral designer Erin Rosenow sees it, boutonnieres have gotten a bad rap. But she's hoping to change that with her new bespoke line (she's already earned quite the cult following for her quirky pin-able floral arrangements). For inspiration, Rosenow taps into the wedding's theme or the groom's hobbies—computers, music—and then lets her imagination run wild. "A majority of the brides that are ordering my bouts have been buying them as a surprise," says Rosenow. "They want to give their future hubby a way to make his mark on the wedding." rosenowfloral.com

—Lisa Shames



Bow and computer chip boutonnieres from Rosenow Floral Design lighten up lapels.



Gift No Further

Buying wedding presents is a snap. Other than deciding how much you want to spend on the lovely couple, the thinking has been done for you. Now engagement presents, happy honeymoon send-offs and bachelor and bachelorette party gifting? It's all a bit trickier... Fortunately, new online gifts and favors company Navy & Lavender has got you covered. We quizzed the masterminds—Michelle Lederer and Michal Mufson—behind the hot new website about trends, etiquette and when enough is enough.

You've both done your time in the industry, at Vera Wang and Oscar de la Renta, respectively. Did those experiences influence the Navy & Lavender site?

Absolutely. We've definitely carried over a certain level of style that's clean and sophisticated. We're all about the details and personal touches. Like our products, our website is well thought out and has a very polished look, which makes it easy to navigate and even easier to find the perfect gift. Need a day-of gift for the groom? Done. Out-of-town guest gifts that won't put a strain on your wallet? Done and done.

What's your top seller in the bridal category?

With so many couples having beachy destination weddings these days, 'Beach Bliss' is the perfect welcome tote for guests because it speaks to the locale of the wedding and features all the essentials needed for an island getaway, like sunblock and tropical-flavored taffy.

What are some good etiquette guidelines for family/friends/wedding guests surrounding all these "extra"-type gifts?

Welcome totes are *de rigueur* for destination weddings and are becoming more and more of a staple for local events as well. Brides want to welcome their friends and family in style and thank them for traveling near and far to celebrate their special day with them.

Tell us one thing about gifting that people often forget?

Giving a gift should be as much fun as receiving one!

Prices range from approximately \$30-\$125.

navyandlavender.com —Elise Hofer