

Using Your Head When Making Wedding Shower Invitations

Some girlfriends and I had the privilege of throwing a good friend a wedding shower last month. To be original, we decided to make our own wedding shower invitations. We considered ourselves pretty creative people. We got lots of practice sewing and bedazzling things on the cheap, since we were in a sorority. So, off we went to make our own smashingly dazzling wedding shower invitations. To help all those who follow our footsteps, we decided to write up a summary of our lessons learned.

Make sure the bride is okay with giving you full creative license with the wedding shower invitations and the shower. That does not entail spoiling the secret or giving away all the details. Some prospective brides have been thinking about their wedding day all their lives and also have a set vision of what the shower should look like. I personally feel that brides like that should have to throw their own showers. You probably know your bride well enough, so this may not be an issue and you can check this box and carry on.

I am not going to go into detail about what kind of wedding shower invitations you can create, because the possibilities are limitless. They should probably relate to your theme in some way, but do not have to. If there is no theme for the party, then just make those wedding shower invitations to be different, beautiful or entertaining.

What I have to say next can make or break the shower, so pay attention. The meat of your wedding shower invitations, the information inside that tells people what to do and where to go, should be proofread many times. I like to have a person who has not been knee deep in the invitation making factory take a look at it. I have seen lots of tips that say your invitations should be written in proper British English. Unless Sir Elton John is on the guest list, I think this is superfluous. Quality check everything, so that there are no grammatical errors or misspellings. It is essential that the invitation recipients have the right date and time for the soiree. Verify the location name and the address. If the address is confusing, include directions. Be clear on the invitation that guests should RSVP with a yes or no. There are always guests who will attend without replying, and those will not attend but never tell you. Such ambiguities can wreak havoc on your food, drink and activities preparation. Now, there will always be a couple people who show up unexpectedly or cannot make it at the last minute. But, by making it explicit on the wedding shower invitations, you increase your odds of a good headcount tremendously. Having a clear RSVP statement, however, will give you a better chance with planning. Most people assume "shower" means only women, so if men are invited, be sure to be clear about that on the invitation somewhere too. Lastly, if you are hosting a themed party, make sure your guests know what to wear or bring. "Wear your best and brightest Hawaiian garb."

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