

such clutch Could a clutch get any cuter? This vintage evening bag came in a dated gold. We made it wedding worthy with rows of hand-gathered wired-edge ribbon held in place with hot glue. Then, we added gorgeous orchid picks and deep red rosebuds. Garden ceremony, here we come!

Romance in Bloom

Are you an uptown bride with a downtown budget?

Well, have no fear. We have picks and sprays and gorgeous baubles in every color and style you can imagine, just perfect for budget-conscious brides. Take a peek at these fabulous project ideas, and learn how to turn your special day into the wedding of your dreams...without breaking the bank!



photo finish This book deserves a second look. It's a personalized wedding album! To make your own, cover an off-the-shelf memory book (*available in the Scrapbooking Department*) with printed paper. Then add a handmade trim made from organza ribbon, tulle-and-pearl sprays, and simple satin roses. **Tip:** *You can customize the roses by carefully removing the pearl centers and replacing them with the beads of your choice.*



Stems getting in the way of the perfect design? Use floral cutters to carefully cut them away.

« pillow petals

Your rings will sing when they're perched on this luxurious, rose-bedecked pillow. To create the look, choose a simple satin ring bearer pillow from our extensive selection. Glue on a bevy of gorgeous floral picks—we chose sheer tulle rosebuds. Then, finish with coordinating ribbon... and of course the rings!



≈ **votive vision** This Mason jar went from simple to stunning when we added a ring of beautiful floral picks. This piece features sheer pearl-embellished rosebuds and gorgeous pearl-and-tulle sprays. We clipped away the excess stems, and adhered them to the glass with hot glue. Now we've got an elegant candleholder for the reception.



≈ **all in favor** This pillow favor box was elegant on its own. But we wanted "over-the-top gorgeous" for our flower-filled soirée. That's why we added organza ribbon, tulle-and-pearl sprays, and sheer rosebud picks. We simply clipped away the excess stems before arranging as desired and hot-gluing into place. It's so simple... but so perfect!

» **classy glassy** This extra large jar received a simple but stunning transformation with some wide navy ribbon and a luxurious gardenia pick. We went extra elegant on this piece, hot-gluing pearl-and-tulle sprays to a small circle of felt to create a corsage-style base. A little sand and a creamy pillar candle. . . and we had a centerpiece!

» **coming up roses**

This jar is a star at our flower-filled wedding. And it was so easy to create! We started with wide blue ribbon, paired with crocheted lace trim (available in the Scrapbooking Department). And we finished with a beautiful cluster of sheer pearl-centered rosebuds. Beautiful!



candle handle

Who says jars should stay in the cupboard? We say they make for the perfect glow-bestowing, ambiance-inducing, table-topping décor! Simply customize them according to color and theme. *Tip: No need to comb flea markets to make these projects. You'll find a vast selection of vintage-style jars in the Crafts Department. All you have to do is choose the perfect size, color and style.*



color & carry

If you're on the lookout for an edgy-meets-elegant bouquet, we've got the perfect project. You'll need an ample stash of gardenia picks, with center buds removed. Paint the edges of the petals one layer at a time—use rubber bands to hold various layers away from the wet paint. When the petals are dry, add a pearl spray to each bloom. Then glue the blooms to a simple foam sphere. **Tip:** Make faux stems from hand painted dowel rods. Simply bundle the rods together with the ribbon or trim of your choice. Then insert into the base of your bouquet.



» **all in the head** How to construct your one-of-a-kind fascinator headpiece? Believe it or not, it starts with a paper maché egg, available in the Craft Department. First, use a craft knife to cut out an oval-shaped portion of the egg. You'll find that the cutout has a nice head-shaped curve to it. Next, stitch up a snug, pillowcase-style cover—we chose simple white satin for ours. Slide the oval inside, slipstitch the opening, and use a heavy duty needle to sew on a cluster of beautiful embellishments and finish with a headcomb.



fan out Turn a “been there” lace fan into a wedding day work of art! It's as easy as choosing the perfect embellishments. For a look like this one, use large flowers—we chose magnolias. Replace the center buds with delicate pearl sprays. Then, arrange them with assorted rosebud picks and wide grosgrain ribbon. You'll need hot glue to hold it all together.



» **for the frill**

Our vintage-style fascinator features plump magnolias, altered with wide grosgrain ribbon, floaty white feathers and beautiful rhinestone and pearl picks. We carefully layered the gorgeous embellishments, using a heavy duty needle to stitch them to the paper maché base. Short on time? Try hot glue instead of thread.





fan frill Dot your special day with unexpected accessories... like a romantic lace fan. The fan comes ready-to-go, but you'll want to embellish it to suit your colors. Try adding a corsage-like cluster of floral picks, pearl picks and grosgrain ribbon. Then finish up with pearl and rhinestone clusters, clipped from a shiny pick and hot glued into place.



« doing rounds

You can take on a topiary of your own design. And it doesn't have to be green! Think lush white gardenia picks, delicate pink rosebud picks, and wispy pearl-and-tulle sprays. *Tip:* You'll find one- and two-tiered topiary forms right here in the Wedding Department. If you want something a little taller, you can add another tier with a dowel rod and a simple floral foam sphere.



« turning heads

Her head is a happy place when she's wearing her custom-designed hair ornament. This romantic hair piece features vintage-style scrapbooking trim, flirty feathers (available in the Craft Department), luxurious tulle netting and an eye-popping rosebud pick—all secured to an off-the-shelf headband with hot glue. What a perfect accessory for a bridesmaid!

fine china

A little bit shabby and a little bit sweet. It's a wedding trend that's in for the long haul, and it's a look that's so easy to create! You can start by incorporating mismatched china into your tablescape. For example, we filled these dainty teacups with halved foam spheres. We inserted a taper candle, we covered the sphere with moss, and we finished up with a ring of sheer rosebud picks. It's a look that's pretty and affordable.



≈ **on a string** If you're going for vintage chic, your garlands should follow suit! This no-sew piece features crocheted doilies (available in the Needlework Department), pretty floral picks and delicate tulle-and-pearl sprays. We used hot glue to hold all elements, including the shimmery ribbon, in place. Perfectly romantic and perfectly sweet!



≈ **boxed in** Your flower arrangements can reflect your chic and shabby sense of style too! Go for castoff containers—unexpected shapes and sizes are the best—filled to the brim with rustic moss and cascades of gorgeous blooms. For this look, we used mini pearl-centered flowers, sparkling diamond picks, tulle and pearl sprays, and a bevy of coordinating rosebuds. It all adds up to a fabulous flowerbox affair.