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# Hello, SUNSHINE

The new Matthew Williamson designs for Papier feature the brightest hues and juiciest shades, bringing a sunny Mediterranean style to your stationery suite, [papier.com](http://papier.com)

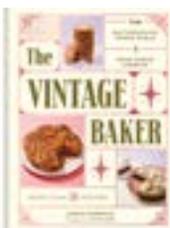


# Planning NEWS

Expert tips and trends for your big day

## Going retro

Give your dessert table a retro twist with these recipes from *The Vintage Baker* by Jessie Sheehan (Chronicle Books, £18.99). Discover popular sweet treats from the 20s to the 60s – sour cream jumbles, anyone?



## FIT FOR ROYALTY

For a space with a real sense of grandeur, look no further than Kensington Palace's new pavilion. The glass front gives views of the glorious gardens, and there's a gorgeous covered terrace, [hrp.org.uk](http://hrp.org.uk)



## Flour power

Leading London confectioner Rosalind Miller is renowned for her amazing bespoke cakes. She has now launched a ready-to-order range, which has her signature delicious flavours and utterly chic design sensibility, from £79.50, [confectionbyrosalindmiller.com](http://confectionbyrosalindmiller.com)



## VENUE INSIDER

THE LATEST OPENINGS AND HOTTEST HAPPENINGS



**NOW HOSTING WEDDINGS**  
Bristol Old Vic, [bristololdvic.org.uk](http://bristololdvic.org.uk)



**LUXE PRIVATE HOUSE**  
Eirianfa, Wales, [uniquehomestays.com](http://uniquehomestays.com)



**JUST OPENED**  
The Principal, London, [phcompany.com](http://phcompany.com)

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EIRIANFA PHOTOGRAPH © UNIQUE HOME STAYS  
\*AVAILABLE FOR DELIVERY IN LONDON

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### SO HOT!



#### JAPANESE 'DUDE FOOD'

2018's hottest food trend - coming to a wedding breakfast near you? Think indulgent Asian junk food, like crispy chicken and deep-fried tofu.



#### MAKING AN ENTRANCE

Searches for one-of-a-kind wedding arrivals on Pinterest are up 356 percent.\* We've always dreamed of a hot-air balloon...



#### FAVOURS WITH HEART

Charity favours are a super way to give - these chic pins designed by Dame Zandra Rhodes support Cancer Research UK.



### ↓ Bridal ↑ BAROMETER

#### HEN HANGOVERS

46 percent of Brits hate the idea of attending a hen or stag party organised around alcohol.\*\* Time for a rethink?



#### BORED KIDS

Rent some age-appropriate boxes of toys, books and games to keep little ones amused (and quiet) on the day, [toyboxtots.com](http://toyboxtots.com)



#### EMBEDDED RINGS

There's a small, but growing, trend to have diamonds *embedded directly into the ring finger*, rather than wear a wedding band. We're not quite convinced...

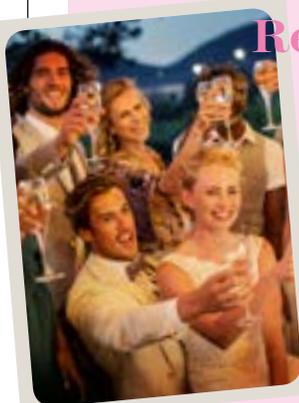


### SO NOT!

## TRADITION vs TWIST

### Reception vs Pre-ceremony drinks

The classic order of the day is ceremony, drinks, dining, dancing - but who says you can't shake things up? Venue allowing, pre-ceremony drinks can be a great way to welcome guests, and it may calm your nerves to chat to your loved ones before taking to the aisle. Go straight into the wedding breakfast afterwards!



## Paper trail

WE'RE RATHER KEEN ON THE NEW PAPER FURNITURE FROM GET KNOTTED. MADE FROM NATURAL RAW MATERIALS, THESE HIREABLE TABLES, STOOLS AND BENCHES ARE IDEAL FOR GIVING YOUR RECEPTION AN ECLECTIC EDGE, [GET-KNOTTED.NET](http://GET-KNOTTED.NET)



## For ART'S sake

Artist Anna Wright's range of exquisite prints would be the perfect gift for any wildlife-loving maid. They feature beautifully rendered designs of everything, from giraffes to flamingos, [annawright.co.uk](http://annawright.co.uk)



## Float your NOTE

This beautiful balloon would be a lovely addition to your bridal suite while you're getting ready - and you can even have it personalised with your own message, £35.40, [bubblegumballoons.co.uk](http://bubblegumballoons.co.uk)



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