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For an outdoor celebration filled with flair, comfort is key. Welcome guests to your garden-party wedding with easygoing décor and lush florals.

SELECTION



FLOWERS: *Studio Fleurette*
STYLING & DESIGN: *Lizie Anne Weddings and Proposals*
VENUE: *Bloom Lake Barn*
CALLIGRAPHY: *Athena Pelton*
GOWN: *Jenny Packham from the Dress Theory*
BOUQUET RIBBON: *Silk and Willow*
HAIR & MAKEUP: *Brett Dorrian*
PAPER: *Signora e Mare*



(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)



(e)

(opposite)

Intimate yet inviting. Stylish yet approachable. Bloom Lake Barn, the new wedding venue in Shafer, Minnesota, serves as the scenic backdrop for this reception inspiration—though this design could also be re-created in your own backyard for a delightfully down-home day surrounded by your closest friends and family. Playing off the stone wall and tumbling vines, “we chose a color palette that is fresh and clean—taupe, green, blush and ivory,” says wedding planner Lizzie Hunt, owner of Lizzie Anne Weddings and Proposals.

(a)

Whet your guests’ appetite with a sweetly sophisticated menu—this one on cream linen paper is hand-lettered by designer Athena Pelton—set atop white plates of varying sizes. A fresh sprig of greenery finishes the setting.

(b)

Dance your way into married life in an embellished art deco gown like this Jenny Packham design. How very Daisy Buchanan, with its alluring keyhole back; Gatsby would approve.

(c)

This invitation, part of a suite calligraphed by Athena Pelton, simply and elegantly states the must-know details—who, what, when and where—along with a bis-and-her monogram.

(d)

Fork to the left, knife to the right, conversation all around. Keep the vino (and merriment) flowing with family-style seating on long farm tables. A raw-linen table runner and pear place-card holders keep the look sweet and effortless.

(e)

For florals, think beyond beautiful blooms. Here, Dani Erickson of Studio Fleurette enhances already-awe-inspiring dahlias and roses with pears, berries and vines, then wraps the stems with a plant-dyed ribbon from Silk and Willow. ✕