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IT'S TIME FOR SOMETHING FRESH
ON THE OLD-TIMEY FRONT. AT
WYOMING'S BRUSH CREEK RANCH,
WE SHOW YOU HOW TO EMBRACE
THE LOOK WITH NEW IDEAS.

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HITCHING POSTS

Spread your big news in a small-town way! This idea is the love child of a frontier poster and a modern concert flyer. The 23-by-28-inch black-and-white broadside designs were printed on newsprint that's so inexpensive, you can cover a whole lot of territory. Plaster them around town to lead guests to your location, or line a wall at your reception to create a graphic photo-booth backdrop.

THE DETAILS: Posters, 1,000 for \$155; lincoprinting.com.



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ON THE CONTINENTAL DIVIDE
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SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2013
6 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING

BRUSH CREEK RANCH
SARATOGA, WYOMING

A NIGHT OF DRINKS, DINNER,
AND DANCING TO FOLLOW

GOING WITH THE GRAIN

Just a single stalk of wheat inspired this entire stationery suite. The serenely minimal silhouette and clean typeface make it current, while the yellow ink and rugged chip board have a classic old-school appeal. The four-piece set was handmade using letterpress, a technique dating to 1450.

THE DETAILS: Invitation suite, \$2,500, hammerpress.net.

MORE COWBELL!

A sure way to break the ice? Have guests pick up sheep and cow bells along with their escort cards. It's a call to supper, table assignment, and favor in one. Plus, it will make the seat-finding process sound like a game of musical chairs. **THE DETAILS:** Assorted vintage bells, from \$5, Etsy and eBay.

A NEW BRAND

A monogram-embroidered blanket would be equally at home around your shoulders once night falls or on the grass at a wedding picnic. Better yet, you'll treasure it for years to come. Commission the needlework or DIY it. (Download the template for our wreath at marthastewartweddings.com/summer2013). **THE DETAILS:** Alpaca wool blanket, \$70, alpaca4less.com. Embroidery by Ryan Reineck, ryanreineck.com.



CREAM OF THE CROPS

Golden garlands of wheat, shown opposite, accessorize the pews and rafters of the property's Cowboy Chapel. For an ethereal effect, layer the strands—their feathery ends look especially beautiful when touched by rays of sunlight. Some variety of dried wheat is available year-round, and it's surprisingly hardy, meaning you can create this project well before your day. See The Workbook for the how-to's.

THE DETAILS: Wheat, \$15/lb, drieddecor.com.



RYE THE NUMBERS

Set atop a bundle of wheat, large numerals direct diners to their tables. Linen-covered rounds of cardboard were stenciled with white paint, then placed on a stack of wheat—the cut ends of which conveniently stand on their own.

THE DETAILS: Handkerchief linen, \$9.50/yd, graylinelinen.com. Engravers set 1" and 2½" stencils #3674, \$20, designerstencils.com.

BREAKING BREAD

Place cards with an edible component give loved ones a warm reception. Make them by lashing guests' names to ramekins.

THE DETAILS: Deerskin cord, \$16.50 for 50 feet, metalliferous.com.



AMAZING SPACE

Indoors or out, a glowing tablescape like this one (shown opposite) pulls all the rustic pieces together. It looks polished, but it's actually quite resourceful: The harvest-theme chandeliers are wheat-covered wire baskets (see The Workbook), and the vases holding clouds of pretty wildflowers are recycled metal cans spray-painted a glossy white. For an instant, on-point tablecloth, lay out a length of raw-edged leather.

THE DETAILS: Cowhide, from \$7.50/sq ft, globalleathers.com. Roost wire baskets, from \$25, butterhomeseattle.com. Martha Stewart Crafts Gloss Spray Paint Kit, \$25, michaels.com for stores.





COUNTRY CARAMELS

There's something luxurious about giving these oversize handcrafted (and seriously delicious) salted-caramel bars as favors. Wrap the wax-covered treats in newsprint, add a ribbon, then finish with wax seals hiding a 2013 secret—they're stick-ons.

THE DETAILS: Sea-salt caramels, \$20 for 6, craftintheKitchen.etsy.com. Strathmore Newsprint Paper Pad \$5.75, dickblick.com. Ribbon, \$1.50/yd, tinseltrading.com. Wax seals, \$97 for 100, waxseals.com.



JUST MARRIED!



ARTISTIC LICENSE

If you can round up inexpensive bits of rope and twine and a burnishing tool, you're more than halfway done with this "branded" keepsake. To make it, paint a 18-by-30-inch piece of wood (a lumberyard can cut this for you and drill two holes), stencil on words, and brand it. Then, tie on several spray-painted metal cans, and you've got a rhythm section for the fender of your horse and buggy—or Benz.

THE DETAILS: "Just Married" stencil, #3673, \$20, designerstencils.com. Manila rope, \$23 for 50 feet, and jute twine, \$6 for 252 feet; both jamaligarden.com. Multipurpose heating electric cutting tool, Martha Stewart Crafts, \$25, michaels.com for stores.

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