



HANDS FREE

Don't want to carry a bouquet? Why not try a specially designed wrist corsage, created by Trudi Todd Creative Florist (Tel: 01259 760916 www.trudiftoddflores.com) She will design with different lengths, styles and flowers. Ideal for brides who want their hands free!

INSPIRING FAVOURS

A DRAM FINE LATHER

The husband and wife team behind the Isle of Skye Soap Company came up with the novel idea of combining 'the water of life' with the cleanser of life (soap) by combining their trades. The soap is made from malted barley and oranges - Scottish soap with a twist. Combined with Talisker whisky from the only distillery on the island, this limited edition whisky soap comes in a calico bag and is priced at £4.95/bar. Visit www.skye-soap.co.uk.



EDIBLE EVENING GLAMOUR

Aberdeen company Berry Scrumptious can add a fun element to any black and white/black tie event with these quirky berries, dipped in dark, milk or white chocolate stripes - they can even do a 'Black Tie Berry'™ complete with chocolate collar and tie! An excellent favour and great talking point. (Tel: 07779 109694 www.berryscrumptious.co.uk for more information)



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UNUSUAL GIFT LISTS

Charity World Vision is finding its way onto gift lists of generous couples who want to make a difference. Where guests may give a traditional bathroom towels (£33), this donation could buy a toilet for a needy community, improving sanitation and helping families and children from disease. To make a wedding gift for a happy couple or to find out more about the service, please log on to www.greatgifts.org or call 0845 600 6446.



PERFECT PLACE SETTINGS

Add an element of something Scottish to your tables with these quirky glass thistle place setting holders. An eye-catching idea which doubles as wedding favours for the guests. Prices from £2.15 each, Black Noir Decorative Glass (Tel: 07974 934336 www.black-noir.co.uk)



LET YOUR LOVE GROW!

For a green themed wedding, why not give your guests engraved garden plaques? Together with a packet of seeds, these unique favours allow family and friends to plant the seeds and place the plaque in the ground so that they are forever reminded of your big day. The weatherproof, long lasting plaques are £5.99 each for orders of 50 or more. Contact Tree from Me on 0845 833 0039 or visit www.treeforme.co.uk.



HANG IT ALL

For Christmas weddings, why not tailor your gift list to the season? Paula from Onslow & Ridley (Tel: 0871 734 4041 www.onslowandridley.co.uk) told us of one of their bridal couples who enjoyed putting Waterford Crystal Christmas decorations on their list. "It's a great idea, and every year they dress their tree they'll remember the guests who bought them," says Paula. Now that that will be a real family tree! (Four Seasons Christmas Heirlooms £25 for set of 3)



BERRY TASTY!

Take a fruity approach to your wedding and serve fresh Aberdeenshire strawberries hand-dipped in Belgium chocolate, courtesy of Berry Scrumptious (Tel: 07779 109694 www.berryscrumptious.co.uk).

Each berry is freshly picked and dipped the day before the wedding and couriered overnight in cool boxes to the venue. Served as canapés or presented on a 'Chocolate Berry Tower', they go exceptionally well with champagne or after dinner coffee.

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