

11 DIY Wedding Centerpieces That'll Drop Jaws

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Letter from the Editors

Dear Brides to Be,

When it comes to weddings, the beauty is in the details, and every detail matters. Centerpieces are important decorations that deserve some planning. They are simple, elegant statements that are reflections of your theme and your wedding personality. Centerpieces really tie together your reception, and while all eyes will be on you on your big day, the tablescape is sure to be noticed as well. Get creative with your centerpieces by adding your own flair; you can make a statement on every table.

While some centerpieces can be expensive, the projects and tutorials that we've collected in this eBook are sure to keep you on or under budget. Plus, handmade details shine just a little brighter than store-bought ones because of the love and care that you infuse into each piece. 11 DIY Wedding Centerpieces That'll Drop Jaws has an array of amazing and lovely centerpieces; you are sure to find one that will be the perfect fit for your wedding reception.

To Happily Ever After,

The Editors of All FreeDMWeddings.com

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Lace and Burlap Mason Jar Centerpieces

Photo via Wedding Chicks



Complement your down-home theme with rustic wedding centerpieces that are delicate, inexpensive, and gorgeous. Lace and Burlap Mason Jar Centerpieces are classic beauties that will have your guests talking. They will take you only minutes to complete, but the memories of their stunning effect will last a lifetime. Their simplicity adds a subtle romanticism to the overall look, but they will by no means make a small impression. Pick flowers with light hues that fit your wedding color scheme to tie together the whole event and to create a magical setup that won't be forgotten.

- Mason jar
- Burlap
- Lace, scalloped -2 1/2" thick
- Hot glue gun
- White roses
- Baby's breath
- White hydrangeas
- Pale pink sweet peas or sonnet pink snapdragons
- Dusty miller leaves
- Water

- 1. Cut a strip of burlap, about 3" thick and long enough to go around the mason jar with a 1/2" overlap.
- 2. Hot glue the burlap to the mason jar.
- 3. Cut a strip of lace long enough to go around the mason jar with a 1/4" overlap.
- 4. Hot glue the lace around the burlap.
- 5. Add water to the mason jar.
- 6. Arrange the flowers and leaves as shown. Cut off the stems to increase longevity, and ensure that there are no leaves below the water line.



Exquisitely Romantic Floating Roses Centerpiece

By: Nikki from Tikkido





Less is more when it comes to elegant events. For a simple centerpiece with a huge effect, create the Exquisitely Romantic Floating Roses Centerpiece. Both easy and inexpensive, this gorgeous detail will mesmerize guests without costing you a fortune. By varying the apothecaries used, you'll add dimension to the reception hall, creating an amazing overall look. Match the roses to the color scheme for truly cohesive decor. Once the big event is over, you can mimic the look in your new home by saving the jars and buying fresh flowers.

Materials:

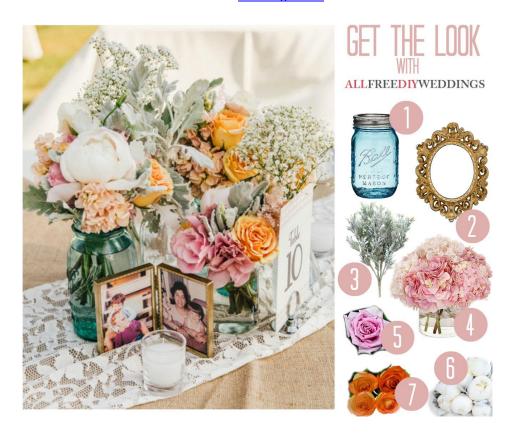
- Roses
- Glass bowls or apothacary jars
- Water
- Rose food

Instructions:

1. Simply fill the bowl or jar with cold, fresh water and rose food, and place the flowers inside.

Grandma's Favorite Vintage Wedding Centerpiece

Photo via Wedding Chicks



Give Grandma credit: she's got good taste. Decorate your wedding table in style with the lovely Grandma's Favorite Vintage Wedding Centerpiece. The eclectic glassware and mixture of blooms will bring variety while the consistency in color and flowers used will create an overall cohesiveness. Mason jar crafts are wedding favorites because of their simplicity, low cost, and classic look. Putting together this detail on your own will deliver the same gorgeous effect as a professional centerpiece without the price tag. Make it personal by featuring childhood photos in heirloom frames.

- Blue mason jar
- Vintage picture frame
- Dusty miller leaves
- Pink hydrangeas
- Mauve roses and carnations
- White peonies
- Orange roses
- Other: various glass jars, candle, table number and stand





Autumn Magic DIY Centerpiece

By: Vivienne Wagner from The V Spot



Go for the unexpected by hanging your centerpieces rather than having them take up space on the table. Not only is the effect awesome, but it also makes it much easier for guests to converse across the table. The Autumn Magic DIY Centerpiece is perfect for a fall wedding, as it's romantic, charming, and cozy all at once. Supplement the enchantment by placing greenery on the table, transporting guests to a magical fall forest. This is one of the most impressive DIY rustic centerpieces out there. It certainly doesn't look homemade.

- Hanging shelf: 18"x7" plank of wood, 6 eye hooks, rope
- Pumpkins
- Paint
- Candle holders
- Jewelry pieces
- Geenery of your choice (ferns, leaves, stems, ect.)
- Burlap
- Votive candles
- Runner

1. Build the hanging shelf: Once the base is cut, frame it out with 1 x 2 and then add a bit of decorative trim. (Optional: stain it or paint it.) Put an eye hook in each corner for hanging, and two in the middle for added stability. Use the rope to hang the shelf over your table.







- 2. Decorate your pumpkins.
- 3. Get the basic shape you're going to design around using your pumpkins and candle holders or glasses.
- 4. Start filling in your centerpiece using leaves and other greenery as well as some burlap.
- 5. Lay the runner on the table. Add more pumpkins, votive candles, and some more greenery.



Faux Sea Glass Mason Jar Crafts

By: Allison from Dream a Little Bigger



Whether you're celebrating next to the ocean or just wish you were, the Faux Sea Glass Mason Jar Crafts make darling DIY wedding centerpieces. If your reception isn't nautically themed, these adorable mason jar crafts are also perfect for a bridal shower. The technique is fun and easy, which means that you can finish all of your centerpieces in just one night. Any bride who can complete the biggest detail of their reception in less than 24 hours is one lucky lady.

- Large Mason jars
- Any turquoise/blue glass paint
- Frosted spray paint
- Oven
- Wax paper

1. Pour all of your bottle of paint into the bottom of your jar.



2. Twist and turn it around to fully coat the inside.



3. Turn the jar upside down and allow the excess paint to run off. You can capture the excess the first time or two and put it back into the bottle.



4. Let your jar dry for four days and then bake in the oven according to the bottle's directions.



5. Spray paint your jar with a very liberal coat of glass frosting spray paint.



The Perfect DIY Rustic Wedding Centerpieces

By: Nikki from Kikkido



Rustic wedding brides, listen up because The Perfect DIY Rustic Wedding Centerpieces are here. These incredibly adorable and personal table decorations are inexpensive, easy to make, and utterly amazing. Write the table number on the opposite side of the centerpiece for a two-in-one DIY wedding project. This versatile idea allows you to fill the base with flowers that match your theme and color scheme. Roses look gorgeous for a more elegant celebration, and baby's breath is perfect for a laid-back affair. This fun idea can also be used to line the aisle.

Materials:

- Wood-burning tool
- Birch bark vase
- Flowers

Instructions:

1. Simply take your wood-burning tool, heat it up, and draw a heart with your initials inside. That's it. One step. It's that easy.



Antiqued Rustic Wedding Centerpieces

Photo via Frenzel Studios



Whether you place these Antiqued Rustic Wedding Centerpieces in the middle of every table or save the design for the guestbook table, the look is sure to wow. Individually these items are nice, but together they create a dynamite wedding table craft. This entire look can be created for under \$20, and once you have the supplies, each table will cost mere change. This delicate look can easily fit any wedding color scheme by switching out the flowers to match the rest of the room. For a more upscale look, choose gold leaf rather than silver and spray paint your lantern black. With those changes, this DIY project is instantly a Gatsby sensation.

- Vintage lantern
- Antique spray paint or spray paint and sandpaper
- Metallic leaf adhesive
- Silver or gold leaf
- Thrift store candle holders and vases
- Flowers

- 1. Wash and dry the vintage lantern.
- 2. Spray paint the vintage lantern. If you are not using antique spray paint, once the regular spray paint is dry, use sandpaper to give it an antique look.
- 3. Wash and dry candle holders and vases.
- 4. If you aren't using the item to hold anything, you can leaf the inside or outside. If the item is holding water or a flame, leaf the outside. Spray the surface with metallic leaf adhesive, and let dry. The more adhesive, the more leaf that will stick. For a very antique look, use less adhesive.
- 5. Apply the leaf, per the directions. Press down the leaf against the adhesive. If you want a more weathered look, hold the leaf and dab it against the jar. For a fuller look, place the leaf down and peel off the back.
- 6. Once done, brush off the surface. Excess leaf will fall off.
- 7. Fill the containers with flowers and/or candles.
- 8. Place the lantern, candles, and vase in the center of your table.





Darling Milk Carrier Rustic Wedding Centerpieces

Photo via Wedding Chicks





Keep things simple but totally gorgeous with Darling Milk Carrier Rustic Wedding Centerpieces. These out-of-the-ordinary wedding decorations are so much fun, and you can fill them with any flowers you choose to match the rest of your celebration. Place these on every table or mix it up by alternating these with other rustic wedding centerpieces, like the Lace and Burlap Mason Jar Centerpieces (page 5). You can also use this as a fun accent on your guestbook table. These delicate pieces are so easy to put together and they look absolutely fantastic.

Materials:

- Chicken wire milk carrier
- Vintage glass milk bottles
- Pale pink roses
- White roses
- Water

Instructions:

- 1. Fill the bottles with water about 7/8 of the way.
- 2. Trim the stems of the roses so that they are about 4" long.
- 3. Place enough roses in each bottle so that they fill the opening.

Rustic Recycled Flower Box

By: Natalie from Crème de la Craft



These DIY wedding centerpieces are equal parts country charm and rustic elegance. The Rustic Recycled Flower Box is an easy DIY wedding craft for the bride on a budget. You can use real or silk flowers with this Rustic Recycled Flower Box, and you can easily use this pretty papier mache craft as home decor after your wedding reception. The best part of the Rustic Recycled Flower Box is that your guests will never guess what you used to make it.

- Tissue box
- Newspaper strips
- 3 disposable cups
- Glossy decoupage medium
- Acrylic paint
- Foam brush
- Optional add-ons: 2 small cabinet knobs; ribbon; tacky glue (or e6000 glue for heavier knobs)

1. Peel off the clear plastic strip from the inside of the tissue box.



2. Apply a coat of decoupage medium with a foam brush, add a newspaper strip on top of it, and add another coat on top of the strip. Repeat until the entire box is covered.



3. Once dry, paint the entire box with acrylic paint.



4. For a decorative touch, attach cabinet knobs with glue (tip: if the knobs are heavy, use rubber bands to hold in place until dry).



5. Add ribbon around the box with tacky glue.



6. Insert disposable cups inside the box. You may need to bend them a little, but they should fit snugly inside.



7. Add water to the cups, and arrange flowers.

Tip: When replacing flowers, first remove flowers then pull out cups one by one and dump out the water. Place cups back into the box to reuse with a new bouquet.

Sand-Dipped DIY Candles

By: Vivienne from The V Spot



Make your guests feel like they're sitting in beach chairs with their toes in the sand with nautical DIY wedding centerpieces. Whether your big day takes place on the beach or you just wish it did, the Sand-Dipped DIY Candles make gorgeous table crafts. Your relaxing, beach-themed wedding deserves DIY details that are easy to make, and for a laid-back bride, these DIY candles are perfect. They take five minutes and cost only a couple of dollars, but look like paradise. Pair these beauties with a blue and white wedding color scheme and you're ready to set sail for the time of your life.

- Plain white candles
- Sand
- Mod Podge
- Paintbrush
- Optional: seashells, twine, and burlap



1. Brush glue around the bottom third of the candle, and then roll it through the sand. You can cover as much of the candles as you would like.





2. Embellish as you please.



Delicate Lace-Wrapped Mason Jars

By: Jen from Something Turquoise



Make your wedding decor as stunning as you with Delicate Lace-Wrapped Mason Jars. These gorgeous wedding table crafts are elegant, vintage, and soft all in one. Use these as DIY wedding centerpieces or place them throughout the space for a romantic sprinkling of mason jar crafts. Display your flowers in a vase that is equally as eye-catching as the blooms they're carrying. Vintage wedding ideas hardly come as simple, inexpensive, and simultaneously beautiful as these lacy accents. Once the big day is over, grab these lace crafts to decorate your new home.

- Jars of any kind
- Wide lace
- Sewing machine
- Measuring tape
- Thread
- Scissors
- Optional: yarn



1. Start by measuring the circumference of each jar, and then write it down. The total length of lace needed for each jar will be it's circumference plus 1", which gives you a 1/2" seam allowance for the sleeve.



2. Cut the appropriate amount of lace for each jar, the circumference plus 1". If the jar's circumference (distance around the jar) is 8" you will need 9" of lace. To keep organized, store each cut piece of lace in its jar.





- 3. Keep measuring and cutting lace until all your jars are completed.
- 4. Next, sew the lace together to create the sleeve. Start by folding the lace in half and mark a 1/2" in from the cut side of the lace, top and bottom this is where your seam will start and end. Remember, we added 1" to the jar measurement so that we would have a 1/2" seam allowance.



5. Sew together your lace to create a sleeve, using the marked guides that you added. Most sewing machines also have measurements listed on the base to help you keep sewing evenly.



6. Once the sleeve is sewn, slip it onto its jar. If measured correctly the sleeve should fit perfectly. (If too large, go back and sew a little deeper of a seam.) Put the sleeve on inside out to prepare for the next step.



7. Find where you want the lace to hit your jar, and cut a notch across your seam that is sticking out. This way you will know exactly where to cut your lace. Cut straight across the sleeve to make your lace fit the jar. Slip your sleeve right side out and onto its jar.



8. **Added touch:** To add a little extra color to your lace mason jars, wind some cute yarn around the middle! Wrap a couple times, and then, holding one end keep turing the jar, wrap 5 or 6 times then cut. Tie a little knot or bow. This step can be done in multiple colors.



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