

BUZZ



it's a Brazilian margarita!

{ COCKTAIL }

America's favorite libation meets the taste of Carnaval in the **LEBLON SUNSET MARGARITA** (lebloncachaca.com). Instead of lime juice and tequila, it's made with tangerine juice and Brazilian cachaça. Glass, classic partyrentals.com. Napkin, dransfieldandross.biz. Umbrella, orientaltrading.com.

{ MENU }



mmm... chocolate empanada

» MUY DELICIOSO

This reception menu gets two big things right: First, the mouth-watering Latin-chic morsels created by NYC restaurant and caterer A Casa Fox (acasafoods.com). Second, the theme-perfect stationery, bordered with a graphic Mexican-tile print; \$1.50, letter presslight.com. Bowl, crateandbarrel.com.



{ DESIGN }

AGUA TEAM A playful twist on the designer's trademark stripes, this Paul Smith-commissioned Evian bottle will brighten up reception tables, particularly when paired with polka-dot straws. Bottle, \$14; shopevian.com. Reusable straws, zak.com. Glass, nambe.com.



MAY is the month to revel in hot hues, cool cocktails, and the promise of sunny days to come.

{ 1 COLOR, 4 WAYS }

shady pairs We combined a spring-y plum with four different shades to create palettes perfect for a quartet of fab sites

hip restaurant



«PISTACHIO // PLUM

Earthy and edgy, this cool combo works well for daytime weddings with a vintage vibe. For best effect, book a dining room with a killer view and plenty of natural light.

→ **mod loft**

VANILLA // PLUM»

Planning a party in a sleek, stylish space? A neutral shade like vanilla tames the exuberance of purple, resulting in an utterly modern palette that meshes seamlessly with minimalist decor.



swank ballroom



«CHOCOLATE // PLUM

As lush and velvety as molten-lava cake, this formal duo creates intimacy in the grandest of spaces. With colors this rich, the setting had better be lavish (think dark wood and gilded details).

→ **outdoor deck**

YELLOW // PLUM»

A sunny pairing begs for an outdoor reception. Try a lakeside pier, poolside terrace, or resort sundeck. Take advantage of the casual feel by outfitting your maids in short, flirty frocks.



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