



TAKE YOUR WEDDING UP

It is safe to say when picking a unique venue like Blame Her Ranch your wedding theme is already built-in because of our individual design. We have written about Cowboy Chic, Halloween and Holiday weddings at the ranch, but more and more couples are looking to add a bit more spice to their big day theme!

Selecting a theme early on in the planning process helps to shape and craft the look and feel of the entire day, including colour themes, table and décor ideas along with attire and dresses. There are no hard and fast rules, just choose something that speaks to you both as a couple.

Read through some great ideas for wedding party themes and explore if they're perfect for you:

1. Bridgerton-Inspired Wedding: After the Bridgerton series hit our screens, we fell in love with the extravagant costumes, sets and elite gossip. But one more gift from the show is the influence it has on romantic wedding decoration. Best believe that it's all the rage now with the potential to inspire 2023 weddings with corset dresses and Regency tiered cakes!

2. Sustainability: The earth, humans, and animals are at risk, and wedding activities may pose danger. To avert it, couples now choose eco-friendly ideas for weddings. The sustainable style is becoming popular among environmentally conscious people. They opt for digital invites to eliminate the use of paper and in turn, the felling of trees. To decrease waste to the earth, couples can consider recycled or reused décor.

3. Winter Wonderland: Cover the ground with fake snow, cover the ceilings with mock Northern Lights, and surround yourself with blue-lit nighttime trees for this ultimate festive wedding theme. Your guests will feel like they just stepped through the wardrobe into Narnia once they hit your venue.

4. The 20s: The Roaring 20s was a special time in North America. The economy was booming, technology was exploding, jazz was born and the flapper style took the world by storm. Choose Art Deco designs and colours for your venue and loose-fitting clothes that just feel fun. For brides who are into DIY, this is one of the more inexpensive wedding theme ideas since most of your decorations – like vintage tablecloths and table settings – can be bought second-hand.

5. Bohemian Romantic Chic: If you've come this far and are still wondering how to pick a wedding theme, we'd like to ask you a question: 'What kind of shoes are you planning on wearing?', if the answer is none, then the Boho theme is right up your alley. Flower tiaras, long flowing gowns, and barefoot processions are hallmarks of this style, and we love it! Just make sure to supply your guests with hand fans to keep that summer heat at bay.

6. Barn Wedding: You don't necessarily need a movie or a time period to define your pretty wedding themes when you have a great venue! A wedding in a barn screams good times and family values. If you have any doubts during your wedding planning schedules, rest assured, that today's wedding planners and vendors know how to perfectly balance the wholesomeness of country living with the exquisiteness of a royal wedding. You can have the best of both worlds. This has been one of BHR's hallmarks at our Cowboy Chic barn!

7. Marvel & DC: Some people are REALLY into comic books, maybe a little too much for everyday life. But your wedding day is supposed to be the best day of your life, so don't hold back! Hero décor comes easy – like hanging a Captain America shield on the wall – but when it comes to attire it may be difficult to pull off an official "wedding" look. We suggest the bridal party dons their favourite hero's emblem under their suit or gown with a big reveal for the photoshoots. Also, make sure to offer up a simple hero mask to your guests or name your tables after your favourite villains.

8. 70s Theme: Say, "I do I do I do I do" as ABBA would say! Throw in a little John Travolta in a white suit and plenty of disco, and you have made a 70s-style wedding! A themed wedding adds more punch and truly gives everyone both in the wedding party and among your guests a central core idea that is fun, memorable, unique and great for photos!

I'd love to see any of these ideas come to life, so please send them to me at linda@blameherranch.com! **WH**

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