

Bride's necessity kit

Every bride has beauty and attire necessities on her wedding day, and sometimes emergencies that hopefully won't happen, but would make for a

NECESSITIES:

Wedding dress! And head piece.
Jewelry
Panty hose (2 or 3 pairs)
Shoes
Garter
Undergarments
Deodorant
Hairspray or gel
Toothbrush and toothpaste
Brush and comb
Makeup and makeup remover
Hand-held mirror
Nail polish and remover
Perfume
Small hairdryer
Travel iron
Kleenex
Hand lotion
Lint remover
Something old
Something new
Something borrowed
Something blue

HEALTH EMERGENCIES:

Prescription medications
Aspirin, Tylenol or ibuprofen
Cold medicine
Band-Aids
Cough-drops or hard candy
Tampons and pads

happier bride if she were prepared. An assembled kit wisely equipped to handle those unanticipated and interesting things that happen in life when least expected usually is left in the care of another guest, bridesmaid or mother. Choose an attractive and accessible bag and pack with the following items: Of which some will be used and, thankfully, some won't be needed.



EMERGENCIES:

Sewing kit with scissors, buttons, thread needles and safety pins
(Thread should match the bridal colors)
Clear nail polish for hose runs
Comfortable shoes (extra pair)
Extra change of comfortable clothes
Extra backs to earrings
Baby powder for wedding dress spills (dab spills with water and follow with baby powder)
Hair clips or barrettes
Handy-wipes
Nail file
Club soda for stain removal
Sewing tape (especially for torn hems)
Extra hat pins
Spare change for the unexpected phone call
Extra copies of reception directions, important phone numbers

Internet registry made easy

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The day is fast approaching when those with access to the Internet can pinpoint the perfect wedding gift, view it, and have it wrapped and delivered—all without stepping out the door.

Yes, bridal registry is being swept up by the computer world, making things a bit easier for brides and buyers alike.

While many stores offer online registry services to their customers, others are feverishly working to bring themselves into the convenience of the 21st century.

Hudson's, for instance, the undisputed vanguard of registries, "is working on soon being online," says an operator at the registry department.

Crate and Barrel, on the other hand, has its online registry up and running.

Some may choose to be listed on www.theknot.com, which offers more than bridal registry: Those logging on to the site can get advice on such topics as buying a home, stress relief, bridal shows and good etiquette.

On Felicite.com, guests can make a partial purchase towards gifts. Conceivably, two of the brides' friends from different parts of the country could go in on the gravy boat without even knowing each other.

Because Target, for instance, just opened its online bridal registration in November 1999, it's still a work in progress. According to Kellie, the correspondence coordinator for the Target

Gift Registry, a couple may go online to enter "pre-registration" data that includes their names, address, and when and where the wedding will take place.

But as far as choosing gifts goes, one can only choose items from the Calphalon Cookware, a line carried by the store. The couple must take its registration number to any Target store to complete its registry.

"The engaged couple is given a phaser (handheld scanner) to take throughout the store," explains Kellie, "and records those items to be placed on its list. We are working on putting gift lists online. Soon everything will be handled online."

Broader horizons have accompanied the advent of online registry: department stores aren't the only ones from which to choose. And a place setting or a piece of china are fast being replaced by part of an end table or box springs.

Art Van Furniture opened its online bridal registry one year ago. According to Kathy DiSante, director of marketing for the southeastern Michigan, Art Van has put together a kit for engaged couples that includes cards to slip into either shower or wedding invitations.

Bearing the business's "First Home Together" logo, the cards announce that the couple has chosen merchandise from Art Van Furniture stores, inviting guests to purchase gift certificates redeemable at any of the store locations.

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