

# TRENDS for 2010

Lancashire Wedding Planners give us the low down on what's hot in 2010



'Malta' by Augusta Jones is a perfect example of the short style in vogue this year

## THE DRESS

In 2010 designers are focusing on designs with decorative laces and detailed beading or pearls. They are also using authentic flower shapes and large bows and you'll find that some designers are incorporating discreet pockets to keep those essential items in. The short wedding dress is the style for 2010 and bold colours like vibrant oranges, red, pinks, yellows, and greens are replacing the traditional white gown. However, to really make a statement black is the new black!



Right: 'Tid' is a stunning red silk gown by Hollywood Dreams

## INVITES

'Art Deco' is really taking off and will be a strong choice with a lot of designs inspired from the 1920s and 1930s. If you're having an eco-friendly wedding 'eco' invitations are a must. Many brides are going digital posting their invites online where guests can reply via an email link.

## THE BRIDESMAIDS

Keep them simple and sophisticated. Dresses with straight edges, low cut backs and dropped waists are all the rage especially when using casual fabrics like cotton and tutu netting which go well with chiffon layers. Use shade and tone variations and consider having dresses in just a single colour of the wedding theme, for example if your colours are red and black have some of the bridesmaids in red, the others in black.



Simple and sophisticated dress by Dynasty

## HAIR

The modern birdcage look or the Queen hair style, where your hair is pulled back in a side parting and held using a tiara or veil will be popular this year. It can also be done where the hair is pulled back and curled in layers that lay on top of one another. Headbands and fascinators are big this year.

Right: Headbands, like this one from Jean Ellis Designs will be big this year



Velvet dinner suit by Gieves and Hawkes

## THE GROOM

Whether you're after morning suits, traditional Edward or frock coats, velvet is the fabric to be seen in this year. Its poor reputation is no longer deserved. The quality and production has really improved and many top celebrities have been seen wearing velvet.



Go back to basics with a reception at home, picture courtesy Confetti

## THE RECEPTION

Many couples are going back to basics with simpler weddings. A popular theme is to have the reception at home with more personal wedding favours. For cakes buttercream is making a return in place of fondant as the texture is creamy, light and not too sweet.

If you're having an organic wedding have organic foods and incorporate a nature-centric theme with solar lighting. On the subject of lighting projected monograms, LEDs and Chinese lanterns are all hot for 2010.

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