

## Ten Ways To Have A Green Wedding

1. **Have your ceremony and reception in the same location.** We are very fortunate in Arizona that we have so many wonderfully comfortable days each year. There is a huge selection of outdoor venues here that can accommodate your party using little electricity on your day.
2. **If you have to have two locations, offer mass transportation to carry everyone to the reception.** This will reduce the pollution of 50-100 cars going to back and forth to your locations.
3. **Offer edible, re-useable, or living favors at the reception.** Better yet, In lieu of favors, make a donation to a favorite charity.
4. **Groomsmen look great in suits.** If all the guys, including the groom have similar colored suits, consider having them wear their own with matching shirts and ties.
5. **Consider a recycled wedding gown.** Visit consignment shops, Goodwill, Antique Shops and your girlfriend's closets. You'll look beautiful, honor the earth and save money, too.
6. **Using Disposables? Did you know that you can now purchase plates made of Bamboo fibers and flatware made of potatoes?** These are often stylish and biodegrade very fast.
7. **Buy local.** Use a caterer that buys organic and brings as much local produce in as possible.
8. **Re-use your decorations.** Vases and other centerpiece foundations can be purchased at vintage stores, garage sales, estate sales and on and on. Buying gently used pieces and grouping creatively on your tables creates a charmingly eclectic look and then you'll have them for your home, too.
9. **Only print the photos you truly want to display in your home.** A beautiful album and a selection of images around the home is Wonderful! Printing all of them out to make your selections just isn't cool anymore.
10. **Consider a local honeymoon.** We have some of the most beautiful resorts in the world. Instead of going halfway around the world for some privacy, just keep your location a secret.

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