



Masquerade Mystique

EVENT EXPERIENCE

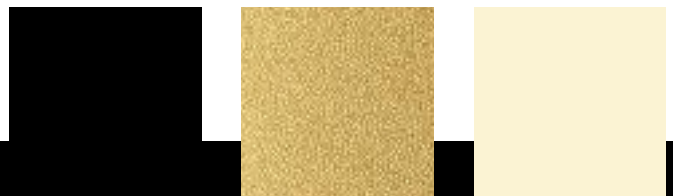
This extravagant event features elaborate dances, pageants, and dresses. Guests will delight in the mystery and decadence of this 15th century celebration that was known for its attendees hiding behind their mask. This allowed for commoners to party with the elite. No one knew the difference. For this theme package we are thinking Phantom of the Opera like decor and atmosphere. In a perfect world, this event would take place in a beautiful mansion or historic venue with elegant settings and stone.

COLORS & TEXTURES

This event calls for gold and other colors that fit the theme. For an elegant party use whites, ivory and golds. The textures for this party would be satin, feathers, and metal candelabras.



This theme allows guests to indulge in a night of mystery and sophistication. Masked guests will enjoy temporary phantom identities for an evening filled with mysterious fun. This theme package makes it easy and fun to create a breathtaking evening of delight.



SETTING THE MOOD



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INVITATIONS

- An invitation with lace, a mask, and script writing on a heavy, textured card stock will set the scene for the night
- An actual mask with a card inviting them to the ball
- Paper cut out of a mask
- Formal invitation on ivory paper stock with feather and beads

Have your guests arrive in mask for the mystere of the event. Make sure you make a point of this on the invitation.

ENTRYWAY

The entryway will denote grandeur from the moment guests' shiny shoes hit the front step. The red carpet entryway will be set with

large candelabras set on each side while the front of the building will be illuminated with uplighting. A mask will be projected on the front of the building or a flat wall to signify the guests have arrived at the correct location.

PRE-FUNCTION AREA

As guests enter, a tunnel ensconced in white flowing drape and uplighting will lead them to where they need to go. Cocktail tables wrapped in white with gold ties will be set up with a string quartet playing nearby.

MAIN ROOM

As guests enter the main room they will be awed by the number of shimmering pearl balloons hung throughout the ceiling. These will be hung at



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various heights to create an intimate atmosphere. Twinkle lights will hang throughout to illuminate the balloons and ceiling.

Servers dressed in traditional masquerade attire will serve appetizers.

STAGE AREA

A large backdrop with the image of a castle will flank the back of the stage. Candelabras wrapped in greens will sit on either side of the stage. Additional greenery on the front of the stage will create a warm appearance.

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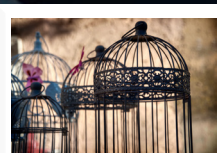
The room will be decorated with a giant mask along the walls surrounded by elegant white feathers. Feather balls will hang from the ceiling and lighted columns with feathers atop will be placed around the perimeter of the room.

FURNITURE ACCENTS

Intimate conversation areas will be created using vintage lounge chairs and couches with gold trim. These spaces will allow guests to engage in conversation that helps them to uncover the identity of other guests, which they've been attempting to determine all night.



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CENTERPIECES

There are a several options for centerpieces:

- Large white feather balls on top of a long skinny vase with masks incorporated within
- Various masks on a stick with candles surrounding the base
- Dark Victorian bird cages with large candles inside
- Silver candelabras with rose balls or masks in the middle and draped with crystals
- White mask, white glove and red roses in a square vase

DINNER SET-UP

Tables will be dressed in ivory table linens with gold chargers and gold napkin rings on top. Gold chiavari chairs or ivory chair covers with a dusty rose tie will complement the table perfectly. Food selections for the night will be bite-sized so that they are easy for guests to eat while wearing their masks.

Canapés will be the food of choice for this event as it is decorative and can be eaten in one bite, as eating with a mask can be difficult at times.

- Sweet and savory crepes
- Bowls with overflowing fruits and vegetables





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- Rock melon wrapped in Parma ham
- Arugula and roast beef with a sesame-soy dressing
- Flan with caramel sauce
- Artisan cheese display
- Tiny bowls of classy fries served with caviar, truffle, or parmesan

BAR AND CUSTOM DRINK

Use lighted acrylic bars with your event logo on the front. Suggested drinks for this theme are: Champagne Cocktail, Campari Orange, Dry Martini and Old Fashion.

ENTERTAINMENT

Spin, Step, Turn

Masquerade balls largely consist of dancing the night away. Formal dancing will be led by professional dancers so that everyone can get involved. The main event of the night, as with any masquerade, is the midnight unveiling where guests remove their masks and reveal their identities. Music will be playing leading up to this and build up to this point.





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PHOTO OPS

Have an area set aside for guests to take pictures. People always love having pictures to take home or that they can see on social media to look back on what a fun time they had at the event.

This photo opportunity will feature a staged carriage for guests to step out of as they have their photo taken. This will make it look as if they arrived to the event in a carriage when they share the photo with others.

