

## **EVENT EXPERIENCE**

Experience the vibrancy, bright colors and beautiful beats of an African Jungle party. As guests enter the party, they will be transported deep into the jungle surrounded by elephants, tigers, and apes. Bright colors and large green plants throughout the event space will add to the ambience of your event.

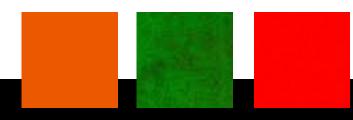
#### **COLORS & TEXTURES**

This theme requires bright colors of orange, purples, and reds which can be elegant or just fun and funky. White or ivory chiffon, bamboo, greenery and wooden elements all play a part as well.



For Survivor type events, Exploration, Discovery, Great Adventures, Rumble in the Jungle, Tarzan and Jane,LOST, Camp Experiences, Leading the Way, Exploring the Possibilities, Guide your Journey, Indiana Jones, Lion King, just to name a few variations for this versatile event theme. Bring about the wild side in your guests and make your client king of the jungle!





# SETTING THE MOOD



## **INVITATIONS**

- Use different jungle images as a background with some details on the front and full details on the back
- Have a cutout of a map showing a tropical region with details on the back
- For something simple add a jungle animal along with an iconic jungle tree as accents

These invitation ideas could be created by your preferred local advertising or marketing company. If you really have it in you, you could also make them yourself.

#### **ENTRYWAY**

Treat your entryway with an ivory fabric and tie it back using orange ties. Add a large rubber snake to the top of the entryway and along either side of the walkway. If you need to have a name tag table or information outside the event, create bamboo huts and have your staff dressed as Jungle guides. This includes Khakis and Pith helmets for starters. If you have the room, create a tunnel made of bamboo, grass skirting, and natural rope hanging down. Add artificial vines and you have the making of a jungle entryway.





# DETAILS AND ACCENTS



#### PRE-FUNCTION AREA

Cover your cocktail tables in animal print or camel colored linens. If you are using animal prints adorn with black sashes, if using camel colored linens use the sashes in the event theme colors and intertwine with large fake flowers and greenery.

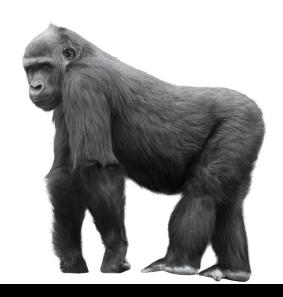
Serve hors d'oeuvres on bamboo plates and have your wait staff all dressed in Jungle gear such as safari guides or Jane and Tarzan. Place life-sized animals around the main entrance to enhance the feel of the theme. Have the sounds of the jungle playing on a sound system – birds calling, waterfalls, etc. which will subtly set the mood for the rest of your evening.

#### MAIN ROOM

In the ceiling, hang fish nets intertwined with green vines. This creates the perfect canopy of the jungle. Add tents around the perimeter, totem poles and dining tables decorated as listed below. Tiki torches around the area with fake flames will add the lighting needed for setting the mood.

#### STAGE AREA

Hang black drape at the back of the stage with two large Tiki statues on either side. Use LED uplighting to illuminate the statues for a dramatic effect. Also, add arrangements of jungle plants along the front of the stage to dress it up.



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## **DÉCOR**

Additional room decor might include palm trees, large 3D jungle animals, and monkeys to hang in the ceiling. Consider a large snake or two hanging over the food stations and wrapping the food stations in grass skirting. On the buffet tables add large mask displays using three tribal masks at different heights on each of the buffets.

#### FURNITURE ACCENTS

Jungle furniture can be made of bamboo and rope or wicker and set in groups. You might be able to find furniture that looks more like tribal drums. This isn't going to be comfortable seating but it will go with the theme.

#### CENTERPIECES

There are a several options for centerpieces:

- Protea flowers floating in a square vase for a low and simple centerpiece
- 3 bamboo shoots in a square 4 x 4 vase with sand or black rocks. For 8ft tables line up the vases in sets of 3 or 5.
- A large circular, clear vase filled with very large leaves. Surround the vase with smaller cylinder vases with floating candles.





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## DINNER SET UP

Use spandex to keep lines clean or black underlays for the tables – overlay in a print if you want to pull the zebra, tiger, leopard prints in. You can do all the tables the same or create groups to identify different groups within your attendee base – for example – you might want the groups to set in predefined networking groups to encourage discussion. Have the Zebra tables, The Leopards, etc.

Bamboo chiavari chairs are perfect for guests' seating, but if those aren't an option use spandex chair covers from our favorite provider.

#### BAR AND CUSTOM DRINK

There are several bar setups that are creative and wild for this event:

- Cover the front or back of the bar with greenery for a subtle jungle addition
- Have the front of the bar decorated in animal print whether zebra, leopard, or giraffe. Place large palm leaves in vases on either end.
- Create a Tiki Hut or "watering hole" bar with bamboo, Tiki thatch for the half roof, and large jungle plants

Piña colada, bird of paradise, lime lizard, swamp juice, Jumanji, tree frog, and hurricane are all fun themed drink choices that can be served alongside traditional choices. For a fun added touch, serve drinks in coconut or pineapple shaped cups.



# **ENTERTAINMENT**



## ICE SCULPTURE

Ice sculpture of your company logo will probably work best for this theme.
Lighting it with uplighting in bright colors and cover the table with an African print linen.

#### **ENTERTAINMENT**

There are great African bands out there that will help you set the mood. We call our favorite entertainment group and ask them to help us find just the right mix for our event. Flame twirlers, procession groups, and dancers are great entertainment and will keep the energy in the room at an all-time high.

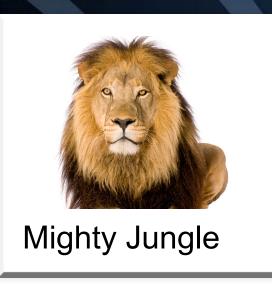
Consider marching your VIP or speaker in at the end of a procession of the African musical group.

## 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.

An African backdrop with statues and jungle animals flanking either side will be set for guests to take photos with.







# supply list

How to determine which elements in each theme packages is right for you and your client:

- \$-\$\$\$ Some of the theme elements require a very small investment while others require a higher spend. You can guide your client and help them determine how to use their budget to achieve their desired result.
- Star ratings: Determine the impact your client wants to make. A one-star element in a theme package works well for simple and professional events, whereas a five-star element will leave your client and their guests in complete awe! There are many options in between, so you'll always have a way to meet your client's needs and goals.

Supplies	Source/Notes Vendor Suggestions	Price Range	Value
Invitations:			
Invitations	Create your own with items purchased at your local craft store or use a local print shop or advertising agency	\$\$-\$\$\$\$	****
Entryway:			
Ivory fabric	Check with your local decor company or Event Decor Direct <a href="http://www.eventdecordirect.com/catalog/event-curtains-drapes-sheer-voile-c-32_146.html">http://www.eventdecordirect.com/catalog/event-curtains-drapes-sheer-voile-c-32_146.html</a>	\$\$	***
Orange fabric ties	Your local fabric store	\$	**
Large rubber snake	Fake Rubber Snakes www.fakerubbersnakes.com/python.htm	\$\$	***
Bamboo hut supplies	Tiki Bar Central www.tikibarcentral.com/cypresshuts.htm	\$\$\$\$\$	****



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Entryway (conti	nued):		
Jungle guide outfits (Khakis & Pith helmets)	Village Hat Shop http://bit.ly/1Wj9frc	\$\$	****
Tunnel of bamboo	Bamboo and Thatch etc.  www.bambooandthatchetc.com/index.  php?cPath=607	\$\$	****
Grass skirting	Party City  www.partycity.com/category/theme+parties/ luau+theme+party/hula+skirts.do	\$	**
Natural rope	Sea Gear Marine www.seagearmarine.com/1-4-manila- rope-3pps914020.html?gclid=Cj0KEQjw8- GtBRCMI7m54PzgjNQBEiQAIZckv CwUmcqHQm2CTTqLSy5fd8b-VMsexIC60ozIJEg NoaArPM8P8HAQ	\$\$	***
Artificial vines	Check with your local decorator or Commercial Silks www.commercialsilk.com/artificial-garlands_tropical-jungle-vine_p_357.aspx	\$\$-\$\$\$\$	****
Pre-function Are	ea:		
Cocktail tables	Your local décor company	\$\$-\$\$\$\$	**
Animal print linens	Your local décor company	\$-\$\$\$	***
Camel colored linens	Your local décor company	\$-\$\$\$	***
Chair sashes	Your local décor company	\$\$	**
Large fake flowers & greenery	Your local décor company	\$-\$\$\$	***



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Pre-function Are	ea (continued):		
Bamboo plates	Buy Green  www.buygreen.com/ disposablebamboosheathroundplates. aspx?gclid=Cj0KEQjw8-GtBRCMI7m54PzgjNQBEiQ AlZckv1V1hRtH6bQnDVMqpONTC5T5DdW_4DCQ Oa7ir6vepJUaAjEx8P8HAQ	\$\$	***
Jungle costumes	Halloween Costumes  www.halloweencostumes.com/jane-hunter-costume.  html	\$\$	****
Life-sized animals	Life Size Props <a href="http://www.butlersandsigns.com/lisiann.html">http://www.butlersandsigns.com/lisiann.html</a>	\$\$\$\$\$	****
Jungle soundtrack	Check with your DJ	0-\$	***
Main Room:			
Fish nets	Nautical Place www.nauticalplace.com/Used_Fishing_Nets_s/39. htm	\$-\$\$	***
Green vines	Craft Outlet www.craftoutlet.com/green-moss-vine-36	\$	***
Tents	Cozy Days www.cozydays.com/outdoor-furniture/hammocks/ cacoon-double-hanging-nest-chair-natural- white-20860.html	\$\$\$	***
Totem poles	Bamboo and Thatch etc.  www.bambooandthatchetc.com/index.  php?cPath=611	\$\$\$	****
Animal print linens	BBJ Linen <a href="http://www.bbjlinen.com/Photo-Gallery/200/Animal">http://www.bbjlinen.com/Photo-Gallery/200/Animal</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$	****
Tiki torches with fake flames	Lights for All Occasions <a href="http://bit.ly/1L7oGkw">http://bit.ly/1L7oGkw</a>	\$\$	***



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Stage Area:			
Black drape	Your local pipe and drape company	\$\$-\$\$\$\$	***
Large Tiki statues	Bamboo and Thatch etc.  www.bambooandthatchetc.com/index.  php?cPath=611	\$\$\$	****
LED uplighting	Your local decor company or A/V company	\$\$-\$\$\$\$\$	****
Jungle plants	Artificial Plants and Trees www.artificialplantsandtrees.com/tropical-plants.html	\$\$\$	****
Décor:			
Palm trees	Artificial Plants and Trees www.artificialplantsandtrees.com/tropical-plants.html	\$\$	****
3D jungle animals & monkeys	Butlers and Signs <a href="http://www.butlersandsigns.com/lisiann.html">http://www.butlersandsigns.com/lisiann.html</a>	\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$\$	****
Grass skirting	Party City  www.partycity.com/category/theme+parties/ luau+theme+party/hula+skirts.do	\$\$	****
Large African masks	Novica masks.novica.com/	\$\$	***
Furniture Acce	nts:		
African furniture with bamboo & rope	Check with your event rental company or AFR events  www.afrevents.com/gallery-new.php	\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$	****
African drums	Earth Friendly Goodies  earthfriendlygoodies.com/227/hand-carved-fair- trade-african-djembe-drums	\$\$-\$\$\$	***



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Centerpieces:			
Protea flowers	Check with your florist	\$-\$\$\$	****
Square vase	Check with your florist	\$	**
Bamboo shoots	Check with your florist	\$\$	***
4x4 vase	Check with your florist	\$	**
Sand or black rocks	Home depot	\$\$	*
Circular glass vase	Check with your florist	\$	**
Cylinder vases	Check with your florist	\$	**
Floating candles	Hobby Lobby shop.hobbylobby.com/products/ivory-hockey-puck- floating-candle-335521/	\$	**
Dinner Set-up:			
Spandex linens	Check with your local decor company or Table Cloth Factory www.tableclothsfactory.com/category-s/144. htm?&gclid=Cj0KEQjw8-GtBRCMI7m54PzgjNQBE iQAIZckv8uarbqfA3Cjl2QqRo4HAbxUT8jpWqx3f5y Et_Ba_qcaAjLk8P8HAQ	\$\$	**
Table overlays	Table Cloth Factory www.tableclothsfactory.com/Safari-Animal-Print- Linens-s/159.htm	\$\$	***
Bamboo chiavari chairs	Your local decorator or event rental company	\$\$	***



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Bar & Custom D	Prinks:		
Greenery	Rent plants from your local florist, grocery floral department or local decor company	\$\$-\$\$\$	****
Animal print overlay	Table Cloth Factory <a href="http://www.tableclothsfactory.com/Safari-Animal-Print-Linens-s/159.htm">http://www.tableclothsfactory.com/Safari-Animal-Print-Linens-s/159.htm</a>	\$\$	***
Palm leaves	Your local florist	\$\$	***
Tiki hut - Tiki thatch	Bamboo and Thatch etc. <a href="http://www.bambooandthatchetc.com/index.php?cPath=611">http://www.bambooandthatchetc.com/index.php?cPath=611</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$	***
Bamboo	Bamboo and Thatch etc. <a href="http://www.bambooandthatchetc.com/index.">http://www.bambooandthatchetc.com/index.</a> <a href="php?cPath=611">php?cPath=611</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$	****
Large jungle plants	Artifical Plants and Trees <a href="http://www.artificialplantsandtrees.com/NEA1040.">http://www.artificialplantsandtrees.com/NEA1040.</a> <a href="http://www.artificialplantsandtrees.com/NEA1040.">httml</a>	\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$	***
Entertainment:			
African bands	Innovative Entertainment www.inn-entertainment.com	\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$	****
Flame twirlers	Innovative Entertainment- remember to check with the facility before hiring <a href="https://www.inn-entertainment.com">www.inn-entertainment.com</a>	\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$\$	****
Dancers	Innovative Entertainment www.inn-entertainment.com	\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$\$	****
Photo Ops:			
Backdrop	Backdrop Fantastic www.backdropsfantastic.com/backdrop_themes/ backdrops/Backdrop_TJ004.htm	\$\$\$	****
Zoo keeper with animals	Check with your local zoo	\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$\$	****