



## Secret Garden

### EVENT EXPERIENCE

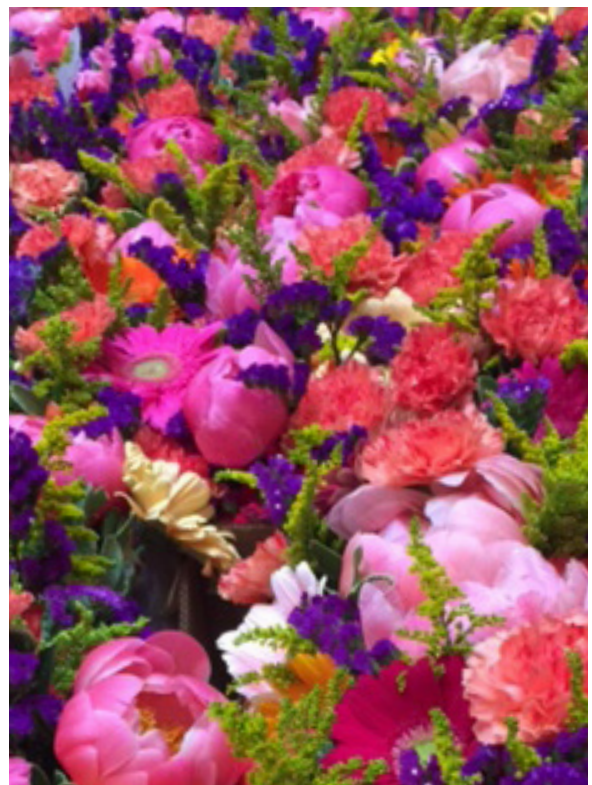
This event is all about nature and leisure time. Guests can take a break in their day such as the English do during their tea time. Step into the decadence of the upper crust that has the time to stroll through the garden and enjoy the beauty that nature provides.

### COLORS & TEXTURES

This event calls for greens of various shades, gold, and pastels. Florals are a must and the textures might be hard surfaces made of natural elements with soft florals.



Create the essence and enchantment of a secret garden by bringing nature inside for this delicate soiree. This theme is sure to delight young and old alike! Perfect for a child's elaborate birthday party or a fun girl's gathering. This theme is also great for creative businesses who wish to put imagination back in business!





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# SETTING THE MOOD

## INVITATION IDEAS

- Floral invites that have a small door that opens
- Ivory invite with twine and a skeleton key
- Invite made with butcher like paper (heavier stock)
- Invite with birds and florals

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

Create a beautiful arbor archway with big floral blooms, vines and a hidden entry door. Large hedges can help create a wall where the real secret is just beyond the Garden wall.

## PRE-FUNCTION AREA

Just beyond the garden wall, a stone walkway will invite guests into the area. This can be created using custom printed vinyl. We hired our favorite printer to create this custom printed walkway. He's able to make this for you as well.

Place faux grass flooring that covers the entire area so guests are walking on a carpet of grass. Have iron benches, small wrought iron chairs, and tables to set the mood.

In the background, have a harpist or a quartet playing.

Hang butterflies from the ceiling and add urns with hydrangeas and other florals. Along the edge of the walkway add Sweet Alyssum. When creating





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the entry into the main room, add another archway with vines, sculpture trees, and artificial bushes.

For an added twist, have young kids dressed in 18th century clothing enjoying a picnic along the side of the walkway. This can be done with live models, mannequins or cardboard cutouts. Make sure they have a picnic basket! They might be seated on a floral blanket and there might even be a puppy next to them.

Have servers serving Lemonade and sweet tea.

## MAIN ROOM

In the ceiling, add hanging lanterns, orbs, flower balls or chandeliers. Add greenery to any and all of the options above. You could also crisscross the ceiling with string lighting to create the

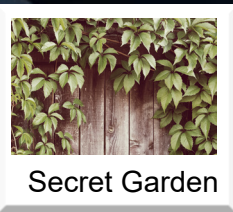
feel of an outdoor garden party or stars twinkling above.

Along the sides of the room, use backdrops to create a garden look or drape the walls with white drape and uplighting. Add greenery panels to the walls to capture that feeling of the English gardens just below the castle.

## STAGE AREA

Behind the stage, use greenery walls with a logo of the company or event. Another option would be a beautiful garden backdrop with a waterfall on one side of the stage and pillars with ivy growing up around them on the other side. This will help the garden look 3D. Lastly, one other stage set that would carry the message through would be a roman pillar set with added greenery.





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## DÉCOR

Sweeping drape, chandeliers, shrubbery, fountains, and floral arrangements will surround your guests in the tranquility of the garden. Add living water fountains where the center of the water fountain is a live person or use a standard water fountain; either way, your guests will be amazed and delighted.

Consider adding in real birds in cages (talk with your local pet store or zoo) for a show-stopper decor piece. Make sure you have someone that is experienced and all the live animals are treated humanely. If real song birds are out, consider adding a faux bird or two and a soundtrack of birds in the wild.

Add Fairy Berries in trees and bushes to make the place light up with lightning bugs.

## FURNITURE ACCENTS

Furniture accents around the room could be lighted furniture with nice floral pillows, white and gold leather couches, or other furniture options from our favorite provider. You could also stick with the traditional garden furnishings and go with the wrought iron look, creating little vignettes for small groups to gather. Combine the two for unique and fun options for the group.





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## CENTERPIECES

Use a variation of the following: tea pots, tea cups, books, old luggage, birdcages, lanterns, and floral centerpieces with moss surrounded the vase. Battery operated candles are highly suggested with this set up.

Manzanita branches with small hanging lights would be a great option to add some height to your centerpieces. This works best in higher ceilings.

## DINNER SET-UP

Crème colored linens with a moss green overlay on long family style table arrangements would work great for this theme. This is the one time this table arrangement works well in the theme. Add gold chargers to keep this theme upscale or place plates on grass mats

to bring the theme down to earth a bit.

## BAR AND CUSTOM DRINK

Cover the front of the bars with greenery and add a custom logo to the front of the bars. Serve summery drinks like a cucumber lemonade chiller, fruit chillers, fresh mint margaritas, cran razzzy to name a few.

## FOOD SUGGESTIONS

Consider having the following food options for this event: caprese skewers, small sandwiches, petit fours, mini sliders, and other elegant finger foods. Keep the food light and summery, no heavy meal for this theme.





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## INTERACTIVE ENTERTAINMENT

If outside, have horseshoes or croquet or find the indoor versions of these games. Try purchasing the same game in a child size version for inside. Life-sized chess games could be used either indoors or outdoors.

## CHARACTERS

Consider the following characters to add to the theme:

- ◇ Living vines and statues
- ◇ Living fountain
- ◇ Picnic kids or couple
- ◇ Old English garden couple
- ◇ String Quartet

## PHOTO OPS

Have two large empty frames set up in an area designated for photos. Let guests pose with a living statue and have another setup where guests can sit on a swing while they pose in front of a flower petal background.





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# 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
<b>Invitations:</b>			
Invitations	Create your own with items purchased at your local craft store or use a local print shop or advertising agency	\$\$ - \$\$\$\$	****
<b>Entryway:</b>			
Archway	Home Depot <a href="http://thd.co/1L72BIY">http://thd.co/1L72BIY</a>	\$\$	***
Floral Blooms	Your local florist/greenhouse	\$\$-\$\$\$\$	****



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<b>Entryway (Continued):</b>			
Vines	Save on crafts or your local event rental company <a href="http://www.save-on-crafts.com/search.html?keywords=vines">http://www.save-on-crafts.com/search.html?keywords=vines</a>	\$-\$\$\$	****
Door	Home Depot or your local event decor company <a href="http://www.homedepot.com/p/Trento-43-in-Black-Garden-Metal-Gate-TRGG-124/100674271">http://www.homedepot.com/p/Trento-43-in-Black-Garden-Metal-Gate-TRGG-124/100674271</a>	\$\$	****
Hedge Walls	Hooks and Lattice <a href="http://www.hooksandlattice.com/decorative.html?gclid=Cj0KEQjwgLGuBRcqptLsnJCvh-wBEiQAIiNRjsWnEiucUDd4GRwe2rUs3WAgnPzD2R7rKACt31BOyK2QaAi4X8P8HAQ">http://www.hooksandlattice.com/decorative.html?gclid=Cj0KEQjwgLGuBRcqptLsnJCvh-wBEiQAIiNRjsWnEiucUDd4GRwe2rUs3WAgnPzD2R7rKACt31BOyK2QaAi4X8P8HAQ</a>	\$\$\$\$	*****
<b>Pre-function Area:</b>			
Custom-printed vinyl	Dogfish Graphics <a href="http://www.dogfishgraphics.com">www.dogfishgraphics.com</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$\$\$	*****
Faux grass flooring	Home Depot <a href="http://www.homedepot.com/b/Search/N-5yc1vZc5pq/Ntk-Extended/Ntt-grass%2Bcarpet?Ntx=mode+matchpartialmax&amp;NCNI-5">http://www.homedepot.com/b/Search/N-5yc1vZc5pq/Ntk-Extended/Ntt-grass%2Bcarpet?Ntx=mode+matchpartialmax&amp;NCNI-5</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$\$\$	*****
Iron benches	Home Depot <a href="http://www.homedepot.com/b/Outdoors-Patio-Furniture-Benches-Gliders/N-5yc1vZc1xu">http://www.homedepot.com/b/Outdoors-Patio-Furniture-Benches-Gliders/N-5yc1vZc1xu</a>	\$\$\$	***
Small wrought iron chairs	Home Depot <a href="http://www.homedepot.com/b/Outdoors-Patio-Furniture-Benches-Gliders/N-5yc1vZc1xu">http://www.homedepot.com/b/Outdoors-Patio-Furniture-Benches-Gliders/N-5yc1vZc1xu</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$	***
Wrought iron tables	Home Depot <a href="http://www.homedepot.com/s/wroght%2520iron%2520tables?NCNI-5">http://www.homedepot.com/s/wroght%2520iron%2520tables?NCNI-5</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$	***
Harpist and/or quartet	Your local talent agency/school group or local orchestra	\$\$-\$\$\$\$	***
Butterflies to hang in ceiling	Save on Crafts <a href="http://www.save-on-crafts.com/decorative-monarch-butterflies.html">http://www.save-on-crafts.com/decorative-monarch-butterflies.html</a>	\$\$	****
Urns	Save on Crafts <a href="http://www.save-on-crafts.com/search.html?keywords=Urns">http://www.save-on-crafts.com/search.html?keywords=Urns</a>	\$\$\$	****





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<b>Pre-function Area (continued):</b>			
Florals	Save on Crafts for artificial or your local green house <a href="http://www.save-on-crafts.com/search.html?keywords=vines">http://www.save-on-crafts.com/search.html?keywords=vines</a>	\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$	**
Archway	Home Depot <a href="http://www.homedepot.com/p/Greenstone-Fairchild-84-x-61-in-Outside-Wood-Garden-Arbor-MFS49PG/100641785">http://www.homedepot.com/p/Greenstone-Fairchild-84-x-61-in-Outside-Wood-Garden-Arbor-MFS49PG/100641785</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$\$	***
Vines	Save on Crafts <a href="http://www.save-on-crafts.com/search.html?keywords=vines">http://www.save-on-crafts.com/search.html?keywords=vines</a>	\$\$	***
Sculpture trees	Front Gate <a href="http://www.frontgate.com/ProductSearch2#w=spiral%20topiaries">http://www.frontgate.com/ProductSearch2#w=spiral%20topiaries</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$\$	***
Artificial bushes	Front Gate <a href="http://www.frontgate.com/outdoor-decor-accessories/outdoor-decor/wreaths-and-greenery/#w=*&amp;af=cat3:outdoorliving_decorativeaccessories_wreathsgreenery_cat2:outdoorliving_decorativeaccessories_cat1:outdoorliving">http://www.frontgate.com/outdoor-decor-accessories/outdoor-decor/wreaths-and-greenery/#w=*&amp;af=cat3:outdoorliving_decorativeaccessories_wreathsgreenery_cat2:outdoorliving_decorativeaccessories_cat1:outdoorliving</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$\$	****
Picnic basket	Hobby Lobby <a href="http://www.hobbylobby.com/Home-Decor-&amp;-Frames/Decorative-Storage/Baskets/c/3-112-1073">http://www.hobbylobby.com/Home-Decor-&amp;-Frames/Decorative-Storage/Baskets/c/3-112-1073</a>	\$	***
Floral blanket	Use an old quilt or purchase a piece of floral material from your local fabric store	\$	*
Puppy	Wouldn't it be cool to have a real one? Check with your local ARL or Pet adoption or purchase a stuffed animal puppy at Affordable Agility <a href="https://www.affordableagility.com/stuffeddogs.htm">https://www.affordableagility.com/stuffeddogs.htm</a>	\$\$	***



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<b>Main Room:</b>			
Hanging lanterns	Quick Candles <a href="http://www.quickcandles.com/Richland-Black-Contemporary-Metal-Lantern-with-p/2332_01.htm?gclid=Cj0KEQjwgeuuBRCiwpD0hP3Cg4kBEiQAHflm1ohnvlw32TI9k4BTvNTazOGXOzF-tPZBzwKmdxcD0pkaAtGp8P8HAQ&amp;click=126173&amp;utm_source=googlebase&amp;utm_medium=shoppingengine">http://www.quickcandles.com/Richland-Black-Contemporary-Metal-Lantern-with-p/2332_01.htm?gclid=Cj0KEQjwgeuuBRCiwpD0hP3Cg4kBEiQAHflm1ohnvlw32TI9k4BTvNTazOGXOzF-tPZBzwKmdxcD0pkaAtGp8P8HAQ&amp;click=126173&amp;utm_source=googlebase&amp;utm_medium=shoppingengine</a>	\$\$	****
Orbs	Shop Wild Things <a href="http://bit.ly/1WjqfxF">http://bit.ly/1WjqfxF</a>	\$\$	****
Flower balls	Koyal Wholesale <a href="http://www.koyalwholesale.com/c1236/flower-balls-kissing-balls-new.html">http://www.koyalwholesale.com/c1236/flower-balls-kissing-balls-new.html</a>	\$\$	****
Chandeliers	Shop Wild Things <a href="http://www.shopwildthings.com/beculane.html">http://www.shopwildthings.com/beculane.html</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$	****
Greenery	Hobby Lobby <a href="http://www.hobbylobby.com/Floral-&amp;-Wedding/Bushes-&amp;-Garlands/c/4-119">http://www.hobbylobby.com/Floral-&amp;-Wedding/Bushes-&amp;-Garlands/c/4-119</a>	\$-\$\$	***
String lighting	Lights for all Occasions <a href="http://www.lightsforalloccasions.com/c-485-globe-string-lights-50-foot-strands.aspx">http://www.lightsforalloccasions.com/c-485-globe-string-lights-50-foot-strands.aspx</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$\$\$	*****
Garden backdrops	Backdrops Fantastic <a href="http://www.backdropsfantastic.com/backdrop_themes/Theme_Backdrops_Gardens.htm">http://www.backdropsfantastic.com/backdrop_themes/Theme_Backdrops_Gardens.htm</a>	\$\$\$	*****



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<b>Stage Area:</b>			
Greenery walls	Check with your local decor company	\$\$-\$\$\$\$	****
Garden backdrop	Backdrops fantastic <a href="http://www.backdropsfantastic.com/backdrop_themes/Theme_Backdrops_Gardens.htm">http://www.backdropsfantastic.com/backdrop_themes/Theme_Backdrops_Gardens.htm</a>	\$\$\$	*****
Waterfall	Hayneedle <a href="http://search.hayneedle.com/search/index.cfm?Ntt=waterfall">http://search.hayneedle.com/search/index.cfm?Ntt=waterfall</a>	\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$\$	***
Pillars & ivy	Event Wholesale or work with your local decor company or florist <a href="http://www.eventswholesale.com/wedding-columns-arches/?gclid=Cj0KEQjwgeuuBRCiwpD0hP3Cg4kBEiQAHflm1rMuVeu7-ma41-xnhZjVZpOm_8tw-40q9qaEceMKiTEaAgKG8P8HAQ">http://www.eventswholesale.com/wedding-columns-arches/?gclid=Cj0KEQjwgeuuBRCiwpD0hP3Cg4kBEiQAHflm1rMuVeu7-ma41-xnhZjVZpOm_8tw-40q9qaEceMKiTEaAgKG8P8HAQ</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$\$	**
Roman pillar set	Event Wholesale or work with your local decor company or florist <a href="http://bit.ly/1L6ZjiC">http://bit.ly/1L6ZjiC</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$\$\$	****
<b>Décor:</b>			
Sweeping drape	Work with your local decor company	\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$\$	*****
Chandeliers	Work with your local decor company	\$\$-\$\$\$\$	****
Shrubbery	Work with your local decor company	\$\$	***
Fountains	Work with your local decor company	\$\$\$	****
Floral arrangements	Work with your local florist	\$\$-\$\$\$\$	***
Living water fountains	The Living Garden <a href="http://www.thelivinggarden.com/">http://www.thelivinggarden.com/</a>	\$\$\$\$\$	*****
Real birds & cages	Lights for all Occasions and your local pet store. Most times you can rent animals from the pet store <a href="http://bit.ly/1Wjr0H3">http://bit.ly/1Wjr0H3</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$\$	*****
Fairy berries	Lights for all Occasions <a href="http://www.lightsforalloccasions.com/nsearch.aspx?keywords=Fairyberries">http://www.lightsforalloccasions.com/nsearch.aspx?keywords=Fairyberries</a>	\$	***



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<b>Furniture Accents:</b>			
Lighted furniture	Check with your local decor company	\$\$-\$\$\$	****
Floral pillows	You can find pillows about anywhere but we found this link at Wayfair <a href="http://bit.ly/1L7pA0g">http://bit.ly/1L7pA0g</a>	\$-\$\$	**
White & gold leather couches	Check with your local decor company	\$\$\$\$	***
Wrought iron furniture	Check with your local decor company, garden company or Home depot <a href="http://www.homedepot.com/s/wrought%2520iron%2520furniture?NCNI-5">http://www.homedepot.com/s/wrought%2520iron%2520furniture?NCNI-5</a>	\$\$\$\$	**
Tea pots & cups	Find bargains at the local antique or curio shops	\$-\$\$	****
Books	Find bargains at the local antique or curio shops	\$	***
Old luggage	Find bargains at the local antique or curio shops	\$-\$\$	**
Birdcages	Lights for all Occasions <a href="http://bit.ly/1Wjr0H3">http://bit.ly/1Wjr0H3</a>	\$\$\$\$	***
Lanterns	Quick Candles <a href="http://www.quickcandles.com/Richland-Black-Contemporary-Metal-Lantern-with-p/2332_01.htm?gclid=Cj0KEQjwgeuuBRCiwpD0hP3Cg4kBEiQAHflm1ohnvlw32TI9k4BTvNTazOGXOzF-tPZBzwKmdxcD0pkaAtGp8P8HAQ&amp;click=126173&amp;utm_source=googlebase&amp;utm_medium=shoppingengine">http://www.quickcandles.com/Richland-Black-Contemporary-Metal-Lantern-with-p/2332_01.htm?gclid=Cj0KEQjwgeuuBRCiwpD0hP3Cg4kBEiQAHflm1ohnvlw32TI9k4BTvNTazOGXOzF-tPZBzwKmdxcD0pkaAtGp8P8HAQ&amp;click=126173&amp;utm_source=googlebase&amp;utm_medium=shoppingengine</a>	\$-\$\$	***
Floral centerpieces	Check with your local florist	\$\$\$\$\$	****
Moss	Jamali Garden <a href="http://www.jamaligarden.com/detail/20094/112/dry-and-grass/boxwood-and-moss/18-x-36in-flocked-dark-green-moss-mat.php">http://www.jamaligarden.com/detail/20094/112/dry-and-grass/boxwood-and-moss/18-x-36in-flocked-dark-green-moss-mat.php</a>	\$-\$\$	***



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Battery operated candles	Lights for all Occasions <a href="http://www.lightsforalloccasions.com/c-533-battery-operated-candles.aspx?gclid=Cj0KEQjwgeuuBRciwpD0hP3Cg4kBEiQAHflm1rZ6OeEoaKLZKq19VJYLBRF-S8V2i5w6oN0csuQXx7laAv4M8P8HAQ">http://www.lightsforalloccasions.com/c-533-battery-operated-candles.aspx?gclid=Cj0KEQjwgeuuBRciwpD0hP3Cg4kBEiQAHflm1rZ6OeEoaKLZKq19VJYLBRF-S8V2i5w6oN0csuQXx7laAv4M8P8HAQ</a>	\$-\$-\$	**
Manzanita branches	Lights for all Occasions <a href="http://www.lightsforalloccasions.com/p-5018-manzanita-branch-39-inches-brown.aspx">http://www.lightsforalloccasions.com/p-5018-manzanita-branch-39-inches-brown.aspx</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$	***
Small hanging lights	Lights for all Occasions <a href="http://www.lightsforalloccasions.com/c-533-battery-operated-candles.aspx?gclid=Cj0KEQjwgeuuBRciwpD0hP3Cg4kBEiQAHflm1rZ6OeEoaKLZKq19VJYLBRF-S8V2i5w6oN0csuQXx7laAv4M8P8HAQ">http://www.lightsforalloccasions.com/c-533-battery-operated-candles.aspx?gclid=Cj0KEQjwgeuuBRciwpD0hP3Cg4kBEiQAHflm1rZ6OeEoaKLZKq19VJYLBRF-S8V2i5w6oN0csuQXx7laAv4M8P8HAQ</a>	\$\$	*****
<b>Dinner Set-up:</b>			
Crème linens	Check with your local decor company	\$-\$-\$	**
Moss green overlay	Jamali Garden <a href="http://www.jamaligarden.com/detail/20094/112/dry-and-grass/boxwood-and-moss/18-x-36in-flocked-dark-green-moss-mat.php">http://www.jamaligarden.com/detail/20094/112/dry-and-grass/boxwood-and-moss/18-x-36in-flocked-dark-green-moss-mat.php</a>	\$	***
Gold chargers	Check with your local decor company	\$	**
Grass mats	Jamali Garden <a href="http://www.jamaligarden.com/detail/20094/112/dry-and-grass/boxwood-and-moss/18-x-36in-flocked-dark-green-moss-mat.php">http://www.jamaligarden.com/detail/20094/112/dry-and-grass/boxwood-and-moss/18-x-36in-flocked-dark-green-moss-mat.php</a>	\$\$	***
<b>Bar and Custom Drinks:</b>			
Greenery	Jamali Garden <a href="http://www.jamaligarden.com/boxwood/productsearch.php">http://www.jamaligarden.com/boxwood/productsearch.php</a>	\$\$\$	****



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<b>Entertainment:</b>			
Horseshoes	Gopher Sport <a href="http://bit.ly/1Wju8Cw">http://bit.ly/1Wju8Cw</a>	\$	****
Croquet	Gopher Sport <a href="http://www.gophersport.com/pe/outdoor-games/rainbow-gameplay-soft-stix-croquet-set">http://www.gophersport.com/pe/outdoor-games/rainbow-gameplay-soft-stix-croquet-set</a>	\$\$	****
Life-sized chess	Mega Chess <a href="https://www.megachess.com/">https://www.megachess.com/</a>	\$\$\$	*****
Characters	Work with your local talent agency, college drama or high school drama class	\$\$	****
<b>Photo Ops:</b>			
Large frames	Dogfish Graphics <a href="http://www.dogfishgraphics.com">www.dogfishgraphics.com</a>	\$\$-\$\$\$	*****
Swing	Have one built for you or use a porch swing set from your local garden store	-\$\$\$\$	*****
Flower petal background	Work with your photographer on the backdrop	\$\$-	****