

Save-the-Date Cards

Wedding invitations are usually sent so far in advance, it's easy for the date to become obscured in the minds of the guests. One way to give them a fail-proof reminder is to send save-the-date cards. The cards can be as simple as a postcard of the location where the wedding will be held, with all the pertinent information on the back, or more elaborate, such as photo-booth cards, cards with removable stickers, small calendars, or, if you're hosting a destination wedding, a card with a map.

For the photo-booth cards, slip into the booth, emerge with the pictures, and take them to a copy shop, where they can be reproduced on card stock. Fold and cut the card stock into a narrow card containing the information your guest needs. Small calendars are available at stationers. Remove the months prior to your wedding month, circle the date in red, and use a punch and some twine to affix it to a precut, custom-stamped card. For removable sticker cards, buy sheets of adhesive paper, print the stickers on a computer, cut to size, and attach them to your save-the-date cards using store-bought adhesive dots.

To create the map postcard, visit a website specializing in maps, such as www.geographyIQ.com, and print it out. Using self-adhesive postcards (see sources), follow the directions, and affix your map to one of the cards. Trim off any excess, and write the information directly on the card or on a label, which can be placed onto the back.

Sources:

Photo Postos self-adhesive postcards
www.photopostos.com

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