

# The Chalet Party Wedding Guide

## From Engagement Party to Wedding Reception... Chalet Party Shoppe Satisfies all of Your Beverage Needs!

If you are planning a wedding reception in a location where you are making the bar arrangements, it can be a mind boggling task. But don't worry, Chalet Party Shoppe can help!

Chalet Party Shoppe has been helping couples plan wedding receptions for over 26 years. Whether you're planning a small intimate reception or an elaborate event, Chalet can help you choose the perfect beverages to make the occasion memorable and affordable.

Our experienced

staff will consult **with you** and help you select wines, champagne, liquor, and beer suitable for both your menu and guest list.

At Chalet Party Shoppe, we recognize the importance of sticking to a wedding budget. We have thousands of beverage choices that are sure to satisfy any budget, large or small.

Chalet Party Shoppe is there for you from the beginning. We can help with the engagement party, bridal shower, and the bachelor/bachelorette

events.

Give Chalet Party Shoppe a call and start planning your dream day! (574) 296-9704.



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## Chalet Party Shoppe Delivers!

At Chalet Party Shoppe, we know the last thing a couple needs the week of their wedding is more stress. (We've seen our share of grooms in tuxedos trying to load kegs into their car



hours before their wedding!)  
For a small fee,

Chalet can provide delivery service. Just let us know when and where and we will guarantee prompt delivery.

And remember our kegs are always delivered cold!  
Call (574) 296-9704.

## How Much Liquor Should You Buy?

You need to provide your guests with some type of refreshments at your reception. Deciding what to buy and how much to buy can be confusing. Here's some general information to make things a little easier:

- Plan approximately 2 drinks per hour, per person.
- There are approximately 23 drinks per Liter of liquor.

- There are about 5 glasses in a bottle of wine.
- For a champagne toast, figure on 75 glasses per case.

**"If you have the ability to purchase your own liquor for the bar...that's great news because you can save lots of money!"  
- USA BRIDE.COM**

- Beer kegs are sold in 1/2 (half) barrel and 1/4 (quarter) barrel sizes.
- A 1/2 barrel keg is equal to 6 1/2 cases of beer; a 1/4 barrel is equal to 3 1/4 cases of beer.
- If 10 oz. cups are used, a 1/2 barrel will yield 200 cups and a 1/4 barrel will yield 100 cups.

Note that these amounts are only estimates. Remember, the choice is always up to you as to what you serve and how you serve it!

## Bar Checklist for a 100 Guest Reception

*(Cocktail Hour and 3 hour Reception)*

### **Beer** 9 cases total

- √ Domestic 3 cases
- √ Imported 3 cases
- √ Lite 3 cases

### **Hard Liquor**

- √ Vodka 4 liters
- √ Gin 3 liters
- √ Rum 2 liters
- √ Scotch 3 liters
- √ Bourbon 2 liters
- √ Kahlua 3 liters
- √ Blended Whiskey 2 liters
- √ Tequila 1 liter

### **Champagne**

- √ 1-2 cases



*The Chalet Party Shoppe staff is eager to help customize a beverage menu for your reception.*

### **Wine** 5-8 cases total

- √ Chardonnay 3-4 cases
- √ Cabernet Sauvignon 1-2 cases
- √ White Zinfandel 1-2 cases

### **Other Liquors to Consider:**

- √ Bailey's Irish Cream 750ml
- √ Grand Marnier 750ml
- √ Amaretto 750ml
- √ Sambuca 750ml
- √ Brandy 750ml
- √ Frangelico 750ml
- √ Chambord 750ml

## Our Tips for a Rousing Reception!

- **Serve specialty drinks** like Martinis, Mojitos, Cosmopolitans, Margaritas, Pina Coladas or Sangria. For an early afternoon reception, try Mimosas and Bloody Mary's.
- Have a **wine bar** that serves a variety of specialty wines. These don't have to be expensive either—there are plenty of great moderately priced wines available.
- **Be creative!** Instead of offering your guests the typical run of beers, try to include some of the newer micro-brewed or import beers. You can still offer the old stand-bys for those guests who are committed to "their" brands, but you'll be pleasantly surprised by the feed back you'll receive on being somewhat adventure-some!
- Offer your guests a choice of **red or white wine with dinner**. Many times if wine is served with dinner, guests will be less likely to order another drink which can cut down on your bar costs.
- Always include a wide assortment of interesting and delicious **non - alcoholic beverages**. Chalet Party Shoppe carries the traditional sparkling grape juice, as well as more sophisticated non-alcoholic champagnes, beers, and wine.



## Champagne Anyone?

Beginning with the engagement party and continuing through the wedding reception, a new couple is bound to be the subject of many champagne toasts.

At the wedding reception alone, there are usually two traditional toasts. The first toast is made at the beginning of the meal as a general welcome to the guests. A second toast is usually given to honor the couple at the beginning of

the dessert course.

Chalet Party Shoppe carries an extensive selection of champagnes and sparkling wines. We can help you choose the champagne that suits your taste and your budget. We have outlined a few tips below on choosing a champagne for your reception.

If you are having a champagne toast, find out if the guests will see the champagne being poured.

If not, it's a good place to save some money by selecting an inexpensive brand, since most people just sip for the toast. Saving money here will enable you to spend a bit more on the wines you'll be serving with dinner.

We recommend a more elegant champagne for the bride and groom to toast with. Or, if the happy couple wants to share, they should try something a little special for

the entire head table.

We highly recommend the **Perrier Jouet glass and bottle set- hand painted with real gold!** The bride and groom can keep the glasses and toast each other every year on their anniversary.

An American sparkling wine always great for a celebration is the infamous **Gloria Ferrer Blanc de Noirs**. It is a bargain for \$20.

For about \$130, the bride and groom can raise their glasses to the always popular **Dom Perignon Champagne**.

**Banfi Brachetto D'Acqui** is a wonderful rose colored Italian sparkling wine and moderately priced under \$20.

We also offer a wide selection of Italian **Moscato di Astis**. These sparklings are more softly carbonated. The tiny bubbles offer a lighter effervescence. It is a refreshing and semi-sweet wine that is very popular.

These are just a few choices.



*Chalet Party Shoppe has a variety of champagnes sparkling wines to toast the happy couple!*

## Wedding Showers: They're Not Just Tea Parties Anymore

Showers used to be all-women tea parties, but these days just about anything goes. Chalet Party Shoppe has done some research and found that there are two new popular theme showers: a **wine tasting theme and a stock the bar theme.**



**"The theme at my shower is going to be 'wine and party items'. It includes bottles of wine, cheeseboards & knives, picnic basket, (my favorite) and food trays." Lieghann, USABRIDE.COM**

### **Wine Tasting Theme:**

Have all of the guests bring their favorite bottle of wine and serve fruit, cheese and crackers. Provide a dessert wine to serve

with any sweet foods. Register for gifts that can be used for a wine tasting party, like red and white wine glasses or champagne flutes.

### **Stock the Bar Theme:**

Every guest is assigned a different kind of liquor, like vodka or brandy. As gifts, guests not only bring their assigned liquor, but the appropriate glasses to serve them in. Guests can also bring bar ware, like corkscrews, trendy drink coasters, or ice buckets.

## Champagne and Dessert Receptions—An Elegant Alternative

Champagne/dessert wine and dessert receptions are a money saving yet elegant alternative to a full course meal reception.

These receptions generally take place after 8:00 p.m. to celebrate the marriage with dessert and cocktails.

Dessert wines are rich, intensely sweet wines. Dessert wines are actually a better match for the wedding cake than a champagne beverage.

Chalet Party Shoppe carries an

**"If you're trying to save money, a champagne/dessert wine & dessert reception is a lovely way to go." -WEDDING KIT FOR DUMMIES.**



## Chalet Gift Baskets Make Great Thank You Gifts!

Gift baskets are a great way to thank wedding party members, new in-laws, and parents of the bride and groom.



gourmet food products to

Chalet can create a custom gift basket using our fine wines, spirits, and import beers. Select from a unique line of

compliment your beverage choice.

Or, if you are in a hurry, give our staff a general price range and we will create a tasteful basket for you.

**Here's a Chalet Tip:** Have a custom gift basket waiting at the hotel for guests who have arrived from out of town and other members of the wedding party. Or have a basket waiting

for the newlyweds in their honeymoon suite.

Chalet Party Shoppe also carries a wide selection of backpacks and picnic baskets for wine lovers on the go. These are practical and gifts that will be used for years to come by those who helped make your wedding day memorable!



## Chalet Party Shoppe

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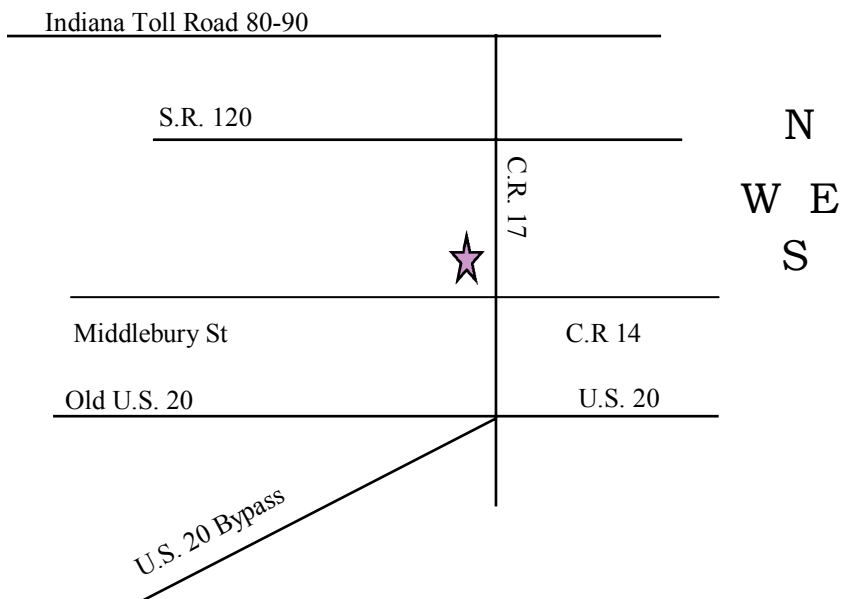
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CR17 in Elkhart!



*Chalet Party Shoppe is conveniently located for both Elkhart and St. Joe County residents. Just take the U.S. 20 bypass east and exit at C.R. 17 North. Or take the Indiana Toll Road east to exit 96 and turn south onto C.R. 17. Chalet Party Shoppe is located just north of Bullards Farm Market at the C.R. 14 and C.R. 17 intersection.*

## The Chalet Party Shoppe Bridal Registry

The Chalet Party Shoppe Bridal Registry allows couples to register for any item in the store!

Choose from an extensive selection of Wine Enthusiast accessories including varieties of wine glasses, corkscrews, coaster sets, bags, carriers and bottle chillers.

Register for party accessories such as wine charms, decanters and bottle racks.

Picnic Time picnic baskets and back-packs are great for wine lovers on the go! Check out our "Wedding Heart" picnic basket for newlyweds.

Just beginning to stock your bar for entertaining? Register for your favorite brand of gin, vodka, or scotch. And don't forget the drink shaker!

Visit any of our six convenient locations to set up your registry. Your guests can also purchase gifts at all locations.



## Learn about Wine with Wine Tastings at our CR17 and Caragana Court Stores!

Are you a wine novice and a little uncertain about serving wine at your wedding? At Chalet we know the best way to learn about wine is to taste it.

Chalet Party Shoppe hosts in-store wine tasting events where you can sample numerous wines and participate in lively conversation with wine consultants. Sign up to be on our mailing list and we will let you know about all the events we have planned.

When you begin entertaining as a married couple, Chalet can help you plan a wine tasting for you and your friends. Just provide our consultants with a menu and they will help you choose wines that will compliment the food. Or perhaps you'd like an evening dedicated to wines from a certain country, such as France or Germany. It's all up to you!

