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## SECTION 4: THE BOUQUET & GARTER

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The bouquet and garter tosses are traditions that have stood the test of centuries. The bouquet toss is sometimes more like a full-contact sport. It is amazing how motivated some of these ladies are to get their hands on that the bouquet! If you have a large number of single women in attendance, many of them will be expecting the bouquet toss. The great part is that there are a number of ways that you can do it!

In regard to the garter toss, it is pretty funny to see guys being terrified of it – perhaps they truly believe that they need to get married if they catch it? The good news is that you can make the garter toss more fun for guys. There are various options for those who want to provide something more unique or who find the typical garter toss boring.

If you want to avoid singling out your unmarried guests, or if you don't have many single women in attendance, have the DJ invite all the women (married or not) to the dance floor. (Weddings Receptions That Rock by Rich Amooi)



### Over-The-Shoulder Toss

This is the most common bouquet toss, in which all single women line up behind the bride on the dance floor. Many MC's will simply say, "On the count of three, ladies. Ready? Okay! One, two, three!" Then the bride tosses the bouquet over her shoulder.



### Exploding (Break-Away) Bouquet

This is a cool idea if you have more than a few women and you don't want anyone to feel left out. Simply toss out a bouquet that is actually five or six smaller bouquets held together only by your hand. After you throw it, the small bouquets break away and fly in different directions.



### Bouquet Presentation

This is a great alternative to the traditional bouquet toss if you are not going to have many single women at your reception. Just present the bouquet to someone celebrating an anniversary, someone who is recently engaged, someone who has given you support, etc.

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### Garter Sports

Tying a particular sport to the garter toss is a surefire way to inject some energy into it! After the groom has fetched the garter from his new wife's leg, he can wrap it around a mini football (or other sports ball) and toss it to the guys. Make sure the DJ plays a sports-themed song like "Monday Night Football" or your college fight song, or even the song your local team uses.



### Non-Sports Toss

Don't have many sports fans in attendance? Well, what are they into? Do you have a bunch of nerds who are into sci-fi and Star Wars? Great! Toss a stuffed Obi-Wan or R2-D2 doll or whatever you can think of that is fun. Have the DJ play a Star Wars song during this activity! Just find a theme and then find a prize related to that theme.



### Everything But The Kitchen Sink

This can be one of the most fun and silly things you can do at a wedding reception, and it always gets good laughs. The bride sits in a covered chair. The groom pretends he is reaching up her dress, but instead he is reaching underneath the chair cover to grab items that were placed there before they started – granny panties, mousetrap, a whip, handcuffs, a rubber chicken, etc.

# MUSIC

## SUGGESTIONS FOR BOUQUET TOSS

Here are a few fun songs for the bouquet toss. Warm everyone up by having the ladies dance for a minute before the bride tosses the bouquet:

- "Single Ladies (Put a Ring on It)" by Beyonce
- "Dancing Queen" by Abba
- "This One's for the Girls" by Martina McBride
- "Girls Just Want to Have Fun" by Cyndi Lauper
- "Ladies' Night" by Kool & the Gang
- "Man! I Feel Like a Woman!" by Shania Twain
- "Lady Marmalade" by Labelle
- "Oh, Pretty Woman" by Roy Orbison
- "All That She Wants" by Ace of Base
- "Material Girl" by Madonna
- "Girls, Girls, Girls" by Motley Crue
- "American Woman" by Lenny Kravitz
- "Hit Me with Your Best Shot" by Pat Benatar
- "Wishin' and Hopin'" by Ani DiFranco
- "P.Y.T." by Michael Jackson
- "Brick House" by the Commodores
- "I'm Every Woman" by Whitney Houston
- "You Sexy Thing" by Hot Chocolate
- "Chapel of Love" by the Dixie Cups



## TOP 30 MOST REQUESTED SONGS FOR BOUQUET TOSS IN 2019

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|---|---|
| 1 Beyonce <i>Single Ladies (Put A Ring On It)</i> | 16 TLC <i>No Scrubs</i>                               |
| 2 Meghan Trainor <i>Dear Future Husband</i>       | 17 Beyonce <i>Love On Top</i>                         |
| 3 Shania Twain <i>Man! I Feel Like A Woman!</i>   | 18 Kool & The Gang <i>Ladies Night</i>                |
| 4 Cyndi Lauper <i>Girls Just Want To Have Fun</i> | 19 Supremes <i>You Can't Hurry Love</i>               |
| 5 David Guetta <i>Where Them Girls At</i>         | 20 Motley Crue <i>Girls, Girls, Girls</i>             |
| 6 Spice Girls <i>Wannabe</i>                      | 21 Kanye West <i>Gold Digger</i>                      |
|   | 22 Lizzo <i>Truth Hurts</i>                           |
|   | 23 Survivor <i>Eye Of The Tiger</i>                   |
|   | 24 Explicit <i>Formation</i>                          |
|   | 25 Gwen Stefani <i>Hollaback Girl</i>                 |
|   | 26 Michael Jackson <i>P.Y.T. (Pretty Young Thing)</i> |
|   | 27 Bruno Mars <i>Marry You</i>                        |

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### SUGGESTIONS FOR GARTER TOSS

Here are some suggestions for music during the garter removal and toss:

- "Let's Get It On" by Marvin Gaye
- "Cherry Pie" by Warrant
- "Pour Some Sugar on Me" by Def Leppard
- "Legs" by ZZ Top
- "Another One Bites the Dust" by Queen
- "Foxy Lady" by Jimi Hendrix
- "Theme from Mission: Impossible"
- "Oh Yeah" by Yello
- "Danger Zone" by Kenny Loggins
- "U Can't Touch This" by MC Hammer
- "You Can Leave Your Hat On" by Joe Cocker
- "Keep Your Hands to Yourself" by the Georgia Satellites
- "A Little Less Conversation" by Elvis Presley
- "Wild Thing" by Tone Loc
- "You Sexy Thing" by Hot Chocolate

- 7 Beyonce *Run The World (Girls)*
- 8 Ludacris *Move B\*\*\*h*
- 9 Kelis *Milkshake*
- 10 Christina Aguilera *Lady Marmalade*
- 11 Weather Girls *It's Raining Men*
- 12 Queen *Another One Bites The Dust*
- 13 Shania Twain *Any Man Of Mine*
- 14 Beyonce feat. Jay-Z *Crazy In Love*
- 15 Pat Benatar *Hit Me With Your Best Shot*

- 28 Destiny's Child *Independent Women Part I*
- 29 Michael Buble *Haven't Met You Yet*
- 30 Little Big Town *Little White Church*

### TOP 30 MOST REQUESTED SONGS FOR GARTER ROUTINE IN 2019

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- 1 Ginuwine *Pony*
- 2 Nelly *Hot In Herre*
- 3 Queen *Another One Bites The Dust*
- 4 Def Leppard *Pour Some Sugar On Me*
- 5 Marvin Gaye *Let's Get It On*
- 6 Kenny Loggins *Danger Zone*
- 7 Justin Timberlake *Sexyback*
- 8 Warrant *Cherry Pie*
- 9 Hot Chocolate *You Sexy Thing*
- 10 Panic! At The Disco *Death Of A Bachelor*
- 11 ZZ Top *Sharp Dressed Man*
- 12 AC/DC *You Shook Me All Night Long*
- 13 Lalo Shiffrin *Mission Impossible Theme*
- 14 Justin Timberlake *Suit & Tie*
- 15 Baha Men *Who Let The Dogs Out*
- 16 Jay-Z *Big Pimpin'*
- 17 Survivor *Eye Of The Tiger*
- 18 Georgia Satellites *Keep Your Hands To Yourself*
- 19 ZZ Top *Legs*
- 20 M.C. Hammer *U Can't Touch This*
- 21 Daft Punk *Get Lucky*
- 22 Tim McGraw *Real Good Man*
- 23 LMFAO *Sexy And I Know It*
- 24 Yello *Oh Yeah*
- 25 Jimi Hendrix *Foxy Lady*
- 26 Tone Loc *Wild Thing*
- 27 Salt 'N Pepa *Whatta Man*
- 28 George Thorogood *Bad To The Bone*
- 29 Flo Rida *Right Round*
- 30 Robin Thicke feat. Pharrell & T.I. *Blurred Lines*

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