

The Magic Of Monochrome

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Monochrome themes are striking and timeless, and definitely worth considering for traditional party ideas.

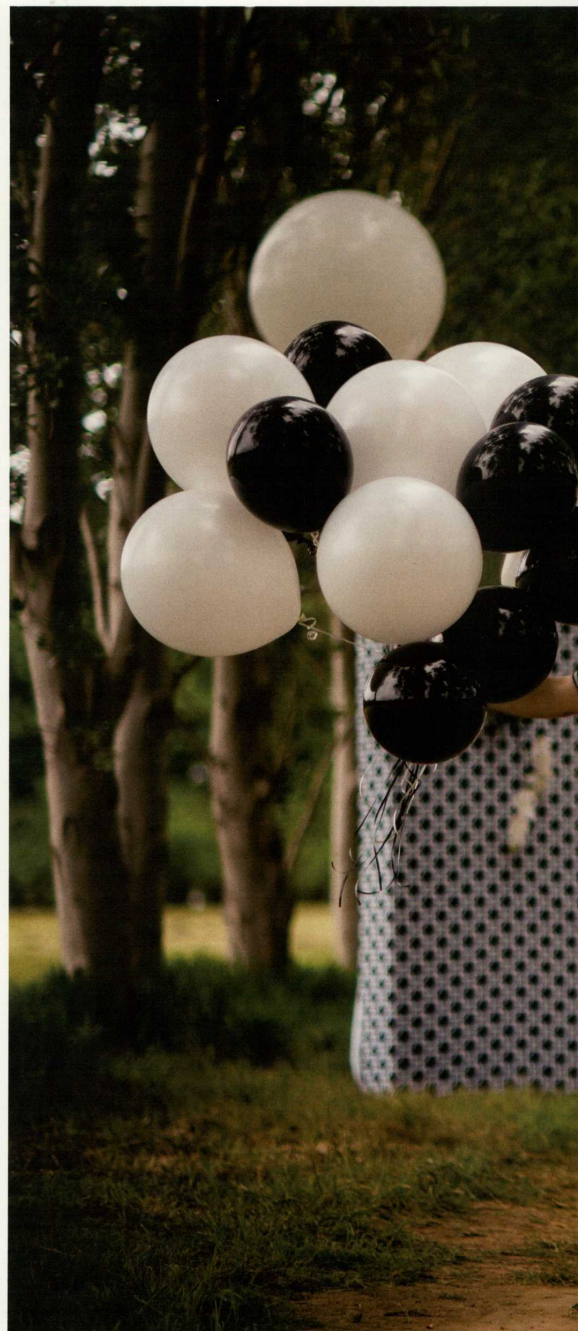
"Monochrome is a classic choice and remains one of my favourites to assemble effortlessly," says Aleit Swanepoel, renowned events co-ordinator of The Aleit Group.

He suggests serving cocktails before the meal in a designated area specifically designed for the purpose. A white colour block was created for the party, complete with white flowers in white flowerpots. It creates a stark, clean page, and the uniform colour draws guests in to appreciate the detail.

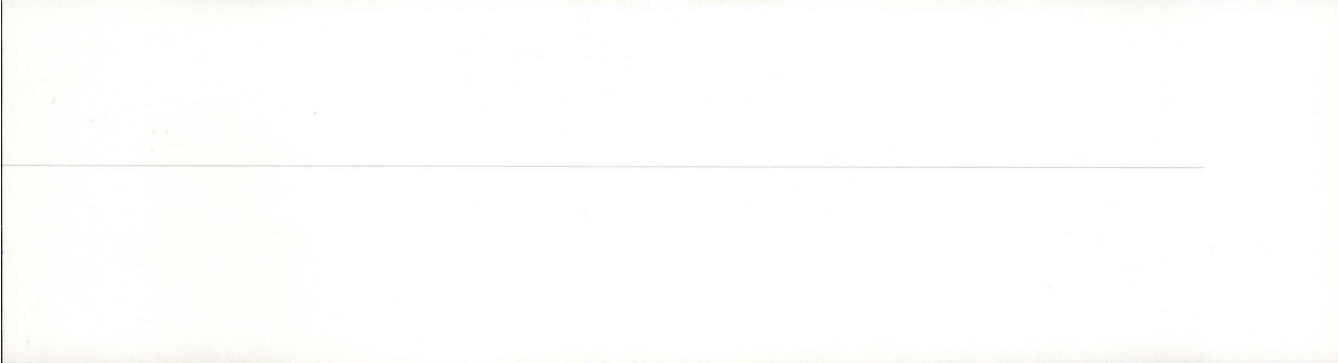
The trick here is to combine eclectic pots and other elements in order for subtleties in the design to stand out against the clinical colour used as an anchor.

The menu should be sophisticated with various black and white food elements to tempt the senses: calamari risotto with Parmesan foam served in a glass in order for the clever play between black and white to be admired for the side; cauliflower panna cotta's white panache is displayed on black slate tiles, once again setting black and white as opposites.

Draw the theme together by hiring a mime artist. "After all, drama feeds the soul! Let the artist dress in monochrome too, and don't be shy of face paint," Aleit advises. The mime artist lends a carnival atmosphere, and provides entertainment for your guests.



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