

# GIFT REGISTRIES

**REGISTER 6-8 MONTHS BEFORE YOUR WEDDING OR EARLIER IF HAVING AN ENGAGEMENT PARTY**  
Post registry information on your wedding website and in your shower invitation.

## REGISTER TOGETHER

Register online or in the store. Pick styles with which you are both happy. Take turns registering for items geared more towards you or your fiancé. Find out how long your registry will remain active.

## REGISTER FOR WHAT YOU NEED

You don't have to scan the china; electronics, appliances and furniture all work too. For the couples that already have everything, register for gift cards, a honeymoon fund or donate to your favorite charities.

## CHECK THE STORES RETURN POLICY

What are their return or exchange policies? What if you don't have receipts?

## REGISTER FOR ALL PRICE POINTS

Some guests will be able to afford more than others or will want to buy gifts together.

## REGISTER ONLINE

Register at a couple of stores and be sure to have at least one, if not all, of your registries available online for your out-of-town guests and online shoppers.

## CHECK YOUR REGISTRIES

You may have to add additional items to continue to give price options for guests as you near your wedding.

## SEND THANK YOU NOTES

Notes for gifts received before the wedding should be sent out within 2 weeks after arrival of the gift. Send wedding gift thank you notes within three months after your honeymoon. Make it sincere, thank them for the specific gift they gave you or say how you will use it.

## HONEYMOON REGISTRIES

What do you get the couple who has everything? Some travel agents are offering "Honeymoon Registries," and they are becoming increasingly popular. They provide an opportunity for friends and family to contribute towards the honeymoon you've always dreamed of. Post registry information on your wedding website and in your shower invitations. Request that your bridesmaids, mothers and relatives spread the word about your honeymoon registry. A gift amount can be paid directly to the travel agency and credited to your account, or a gift certificate can be purchased.

Set a tentative budget for your trip and don't depend solely on your honeymoon registry to get you there. Be sure to calculate some extra "fun money" for special activities you may come across in your travels. Have fun and cherish each other and your destination, it may be awhile before you have the opportunity to travel again.