

Wedding Centerpiece Floral Mechanics

Build lush, professional compote arrangements with a hidden structure.

Master the hidden foundation behind stunning table designs. With the right mechanics, you can easily create professional-level centerpieces that stay perfectly intact.

● Core Mechanics & Dimensions

6-8 in diameter

Opaque pedestal bowl to hide mechanics

12x12 in square

PVC-coated chicken wire for pillow

1/4 in wide

Clear waterproof floral tape for grid

1 in down

Tape extension on outside of bowl

Under 14 in

Maximum height for seated eye contact

Layer 1

Base-hiding trailing foliage angled sharply downward



Pre-hydrate your stems

Hydrate all freshly shipped blooms in clean water for at least 24 hours before arranging to ensure they stay perfectly intact from the studio to the reception.

● Building the Hidden Structure

- 1 **Prep the vessel** Wash the interior with warm soapy water and dry completely with a clean microfiber cloth.
- 2 **Form the pillow** Cut the coated mesh with shears, fold sharp edges inward, and press firmly into the base.
- 3 **Secure the grid** Stretch adhesive firmly across the opening to activate tension, building a tight tic-tac-toe pattern.
- 4 **Test grid stability** Gently press the center before adding water; the foundation should bounce slightly but remain locked.
- 5 **Hydrate the centerpiece** Pour fresh water through the greens until nearly full, checking levels daily as stems drink.

● Stem Shopping List

Centerpieces	Focal blooms (garden roses, peonies)	Secondary blooms (ranunculus, tulips)	Filler flowers (waxflower, spray roses)	Foliage (seeded eucalyptus, ruscus)
5	35 stems	45 stems	25 stems	50 stems
10	70 stems	90 stems	50 stems	100 stems
15	105 stems	135 stems	75 stems	150 stems

Buy exactly this ratio to ensure every bowl looks abundantly full.

● Choose Your Style

Find your row: **Your event mood**

Your event mood	Your pick	Why
Moody jewel tone elegance	Burgundy dahlias, chocolate lace flower	Dramatic atmosphere for autumn evening receptions
Crisp white and green	White garden roses, bright smilax	Fresh, modern minimalist aesthetic in stone
Vibrant summer citrus punch	Coral peonies, yellow ranunculus, poppies	Energizes a summer tent wedding

● Design & Placement Checklist

- ☐ Distribute the largest, most expensive blooms evenly.
- ☐ Place three primary garden roses in a loose triangle.
- ☐ Tuck darker secondary blooms deep near the rim.
- ☐ Let one dramatic branch reach slightly higher.
- ☐ Add delicate, hardy floaters high and wide for movement.

● Event Notes

Enjoy your beautiful blooms and the wonderful conversations they inspire across the table!