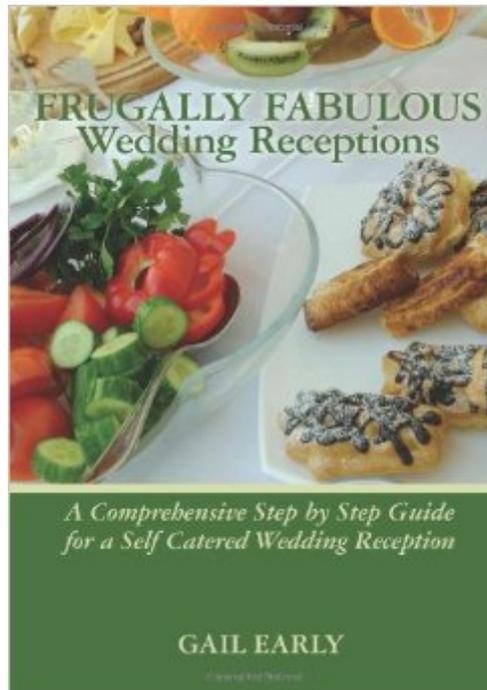


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# Frugally Fabulous Wedding Receptions



## Synopsis

Planning a wedding reception on a budget? Use this step-by-step guide to plan a beautiful wedding reception without spending a fortune. Your budget wedding reception can look like it was planned by a pro and this book will guide you through every step of the process. This comprehensive guide shares the knowledge and experience gained over years of helping brides plan and stage their own self catered receptions. Included are 18 pages of planning tools.-how to find a rental facility? How much time do you need to set up? How many servings are in a keg of beer? How much ice do you need? How do you leave the facility the way you found it in the shortest time possible? The information in the book was acquired over the years of helping my clients plan their event, and, then being on site the day of their receptions, coordinating the "helpers". Plan your menu using the worksheets, evaluations, and over 70 recipes that our clients rave about (already modified for large quantities). And ..for those who are short on time or energy, I can prepare your recipes adjustments, shopping list, and time lines; available on the At Your Service tab on the frugfab.com web site. As you move through the book, step by step, you will be guided through every phase of organizing and planning your event. The Shopping List; organized by grocery department, a Time Table for Preparing and Cooking Recipes, Equipment Lists, Serving Guides, and Buffet Layouts. Your event will be well planned, organized, and as stress free as possible. I have guided countless clients as they planned receptions for 25 to 300 guests, at a fraction of the cost of a "catered" event. And now this information is available to you. New - In order to provide even more real time information, sources for supplies, inspirational ideas and new recipes Frugally Fabulous is now on Pinterest at [www.pinterest.com/frugfab](http://www.pinterest.com/frugfab) and blogs at [www.myfrugallyfab.blogspot.com](http://www.myfrugallyfab.blogspot.com) Please check these out.

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## Customer Reviews

This book is worth buying for the WORKSHEETS alone! The author walks you step by step how to plan, shop, prepare, and present marvelous buffets for 25 to 150+. All with easy to use Worksheets that you customize to suit your tastes, budget and style! You choose your favorite foods from different categories and the worksheets take care of quantity, variety, preparation timetable, every detail down to which serving utensils you'll need for each dish! The recipes include interesting dishes such as Penne with Roasted Tomatoes, Chicken, and Mushrooms; Steak and Chimichurri Toasts; Roast Chicken-Chipotle Nachos with Cilantro-Avocado Crema, as well as the favorites Potato Salad; Egg, Cheese, and Sausage Strata, Fruit Salad etc. Almost 100 pages of recipes in all including many vegetarian options. The book also explains how to make a Potluck event work, and/or how to supplement with purchased "To Go" items. For those planning a Wedding there is a section on FAQ with everything from how to cut a wedding cake and whether to rent or purchase glassware, to what decorations not to put on the tables! An additional section on the Reception features sample Schedules (how long DOES it take to get everyone through the buffet line?) and even Diagrams for how to attractively arrange your buffet! All in all, a great book for creating a classy, budget-friendly reception!!

Money isn't needed for truly great food. "Frugally Fabulous Wedding Receptions: A Comprehensive Step by Step Guide for a Self Catered Wedding Reception" is a guide for catering a wedding on the cheap by making the countless dishes that are available oneself, with ingredients that won't break the bank and still be a treat to the tongue. With no shortage of recipes and presentation tips, "Frugally Fabulous Wedding Receptions" is a choice pick for any wedding planner on a budget.

This is the book you want if you're going to cater a wedding reception yourself. Gail Early describes in detail the steps to plan and organize a wedding reception. She shares her catering techniques so that on the day of the wedding it all comes together with ease. You learn how to make the reception look professional instead of like a potluck. If you want a potluck reception, she tells you how to organize and plan for that too. Overall it's a great book that contains information I didn't find anywhere else. I had a couple questions and contacted the author through her website email. She responded the same day and not only answered my questions, but gave me more information. She encouraged me to visit her blog as she plans to include additional tips, contacts and ideas for the DIY bride. PRO: The FAQ chapter has the most useful information for the novice. This is the sort of information you won't find on the internet. Reading this section is like having a conversation with a

caterer. When you are done you can envision just how to put it all together. The Recipe Selection chapter is great because it includes recipes for brunch, lunch and dinner. One feature I really liked: every recipe tells you how far in advance you can make it. The Bar Guide is useful; without it I'm sure I would have bought too much champagne and not enough wine. In addition, the following sections were useful to me: Purchasing Tips, The Prep Schedule, The Master Equipment List and Buffet Set-up Guidelines. CON: There are no photos in this book. I would have particularly liked to see photos of the meals or buffet examples. She gives two illustrations of the buffet set up. While it gets the information across they are not very inspiring.

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