

Honeymoon garb important part

One of the things that the groom must consider is the preparation of his honeymoon wardrobe, according to the American Formalwear Association.

Obviously, the type and quantity of the clothes that will be needed on that sentimental journey depend on several factors, among which are the kind of trip the couple is taking and the destination at which the clothes will be worn.

The length of the trip also affects the size of his wardrobe.

robe.

Strangely enough, virtually the same size wardrobe needed for a two-week trip will be required for a journey of one week and will be sufficient for a three-week trip.

An important factor in determining the kind of wardrobe is the mode of travel that the happy couple will take. Will they go by car, will they fly or will they go by ship?

If they fly or if they drive, their travel clothes should be casual and comfortable.

On the other hand, if the trip is to be by sea, some dressier raiment will certainly be needed. Most cruise passengers wear at the least a suit or sport jacket and slacks for dinner, and in some instances don formalwear for those gala evenings afloat.

The first thing to consider is travel clothes. Going by car, several pairs of slacks (one of which can be jeans) worn with several sport shirts will fill the bill.

It will be a good idea to have at least two pairs of those slacks of a wash/wear construction, and all of the shirts (both sport and dress) capable of being rinsed out and ready to wear the next day.

Flying presents no wardrobe problems. A fellow can wear anything from a suit or a

sport jacket and slacks to jeans.

A tip to the wise is that when flying it is a good idea to wear easy-going comfortable shoes because one's feet tend to swell, particularly on long flights.

Going by sea, most fellows will want a presentable casual outfit to wear when boarding the ship.

It is a safe rule of thumb that for a trip of two weeks, at least four complete and distinctly different outfits should be taken along.

If going by sea, consult your travel agent, as a dinner jacket (tuxedo) may be needed in addition to the basic four.

Aboard ship or at a resort, casual clothes are the rule.

One of the best ways to visually increase the size of your

wardrobe is to take along a wisely selected assortment of slacks that can be worn interchangeably with several sport coats and blazers.

You will probably find that dress shirts are handy to wear for dinner at places where a tie may be required.

Wash/wear underwear also helps to hold down your baggage load. Three outfits should suffice, as you can wash out a pair each day and have a spare set always ready.

Six or eight pairs of socks will do, and don't forget to pack handkerchiefs.

A lightweight washable robe is a very handy thing to have along because it can be used as a poolside coverup.

Be sure to make provisions for active sportswear when packing. By all means include

at least one lightweight sweater in your wardrobe. Not only will it come in handy for sports, but it will also meet the needs of chilly mornings and nights.

Another must is a lightweight raincoat. Besides coming in handy on rainy days, it will also serve as a warmer when a sweater is inappropriate.

Foldable travel slippers, many of which come with a case, are also very handy.

If you intend to do a lot of sightseeing, be sure to take along at least two or three pairs of comfortable walking shoes.

This brings us to honeymoon couples who may be planning to visit a big city rather than going to a resort.



WHITE, NOT JUST FOR THE WEDDING — Pretty but daring, these two looks by Donna Karan and Louis Dell'Olio for Anne Klein are perfect honeymoon attire. Roll sleeve tee-shirt (left) tops a short pleated skirt. At the waist, a white linen sash. A cowl neck blouse (right) is tucked into a full, fringed skirt, and a shawl is tossed casually over the shoulder for a dramatic finishing touch. All in linen gauze.

Fine silverware is affordable

A return to traditionalism is a trend currently reflected in every aspect of American life. Perhaps nowhere is this more apparent than in the increasing number of marriages that are taking place.

In 1980, more marriages occurred than in any year since the post World War II peak of 1946. Not only does the increased number of marriages mirror a conservative direction, but the choices young couples are making in furnishing their new lifestyles support this trend.

How to choose

In selecting table-top accessories, for example, soon-to-be brides and grooms increasingly seek "affordable quality."

They analyze their options and base their decisions on a careful consideration of what best suits their planned lifestyle.

In silverware, these couples are finding that silverplated products often meet these personal standards of "affordable quality."

Silverplated flatware is manufactured by permanently bonding a layer of pure silver to a base metal through the process of electrolysis. The amount of pure silver used in the electroplating process varies according to the manufacturer; however, the heavier the layer of pure silver, the more durable and valuable the product.

One company, Reed & Barton Silversmiths, uses a heavy-

layer of pure silver than any other American manufacturer. They put so much of this precious metal on their product that all Reed & Barton silverplated flatware is warranted to last one hundred years.

Factors to consider

According to the experts at Reed & Barton, there are several factors to be aware of in identifying and selecting finer silverplated flatware.

First, study the pattern. It should be well defined. Good detailing indicates good workmanship. Examine the tines of the fork. Are they smooth all around and properly finished?

Look at the back of the flat-

ware piece. A convex back indicates the use of more metal at the end of the handle. This results in a very well balanced and more substantial piece of flatware, as exemplified by the "French Chippendale" pattern. Also important is the number of serving and specialty pieces that are available in the pattern.

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