

Antique Chic - Customizing Vintage for Your Day

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Just because something is vintage or antique doesn't mean it's wedding day chic.

By definition "Chic" is the smart elegance of style and manner. Rummaging through antique stores to achieve a vintage look can add "dust" to your wedding day dreams.

With antiques as the newest bridal rage, incorporating vintage elements in your day doesn't mean you have to wear your mother's wedding dress, use a ring pillow that you found in a antique shop, or wear a family heirloom even though it looks so-so with your dress.

Keeping your vintage-look smart and classic should be the priority when you begin to shop for detailed pieces. From Etsy to local designers, vintage is what YOU want to make it. The latest spin on the something old, is making it something new!

Welcome in the chicest of chic stop-in-your-tracks custom antique pieces. Adorned with vintage brooches, earrings and buttons they are truly one of a kind. By integrating a button from your great grandmother's wedding gown or a piece of jewelry from your "dress-up days" during your childhood the cross (or any other shape) can be customized into a time honored detail for your fashionable day.



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One of the beauties of these custom details is you can enjoy them after your wedding day is complete. Hang it on a wall or mount it to a candle. You only get to live your wedding day once, but to experience pieces from it everyday will make it last forever.



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Vintage pieces should fit your day, don't tailor your day to fit a vintage piece.

Vintage elements can reflect any wedding design theme; romantic, trendy, colorful, cultural, or sophisticated. Customizing specific pieces gives you the opportunity to take something that was old make it new and *Whala* a new heirloom has been created to pass through your family.

One of the most popular time loved pieces I see brides want to incorporate into their day is a piece of jewelry. Just like your wedding dress, you want it to fit your total vision of who you as a bride want to look like on your day.

This Czech hand-made cut crystal with aurora borealis stones adhered to a vintage cuff is a showstopper and I promise your guests have never seen anything like it.



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The simple design of taking a few antique brooches you can't live without and having them made into a piece of jewelry that makes your wedding day attire complete is priceless.

Vintage meets glam. Sitting in a 1940's white painted brass jewelry box is a design by the talented Cathy Breyne. Set on a sterling silver rope trim cuff bracelet is a 1940's vintage piece adorned with clear rhinestones and faux pearls.

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Nothing says classic elegance like pearls on your wedding day. Nothing beats a perfect vintage piece to wear with a simple yet stunning and elegant dress. Two-strand ivory faux pearl necklace next to gold spacers sparkled with clear rhinestone and large faux pearl teardrop pendant Circa 1950's.



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Wearing a piece that was "once loved" on your wedding day means it's now "twice loved" by you. These pieces from your day will make memories that last forever.



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