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Throw a Blushing Bridal Shower

Rethink pink with tips from Michele Adams and Gia Russo, authors of *Wedding Showers*.

*** Cotton-candy-colored wrappers (right)** Wrap all of your guests' party favors in soft shades of pink and lavender, and embellish with pretty ribbons and silk flowers.

*** Blooming ball (below left)** Take 4 dozen roses and cut down the stems, leaving about 1 inch. Pin the center of a 2-foot piece of ribbon to an 8-inch white Styrofoam ball (available at craft shops), letting the ends of ribbon hang freely. Stick stems into ball until it is completely covered, except where the ribbon is anchored. Tie the ribbon's ends together over a curtain rod, so the ball dangles in front of a window.

*** Sweet treats (below right)** Serve pink-tinted goodies like strawberry mousse and pound-cake squares topped with mixed berries. Scatter rose petals all over the buffet table as a sneak preview of your upcoming walk down the aisle.



Pink doesn't need to feel foofy. Make it modern with chocolate brown accents and ladylike decorations.



Decadent desserts (left): Fancy finger food and ready-to-eat treats are a simple serving idea. Unlike a sit-down meal, a dessert buffet requires only minimal preparation and cleanup time. Make the sweets yourself, order them from a local bakery or ask each guest to bring a different delicious dish.