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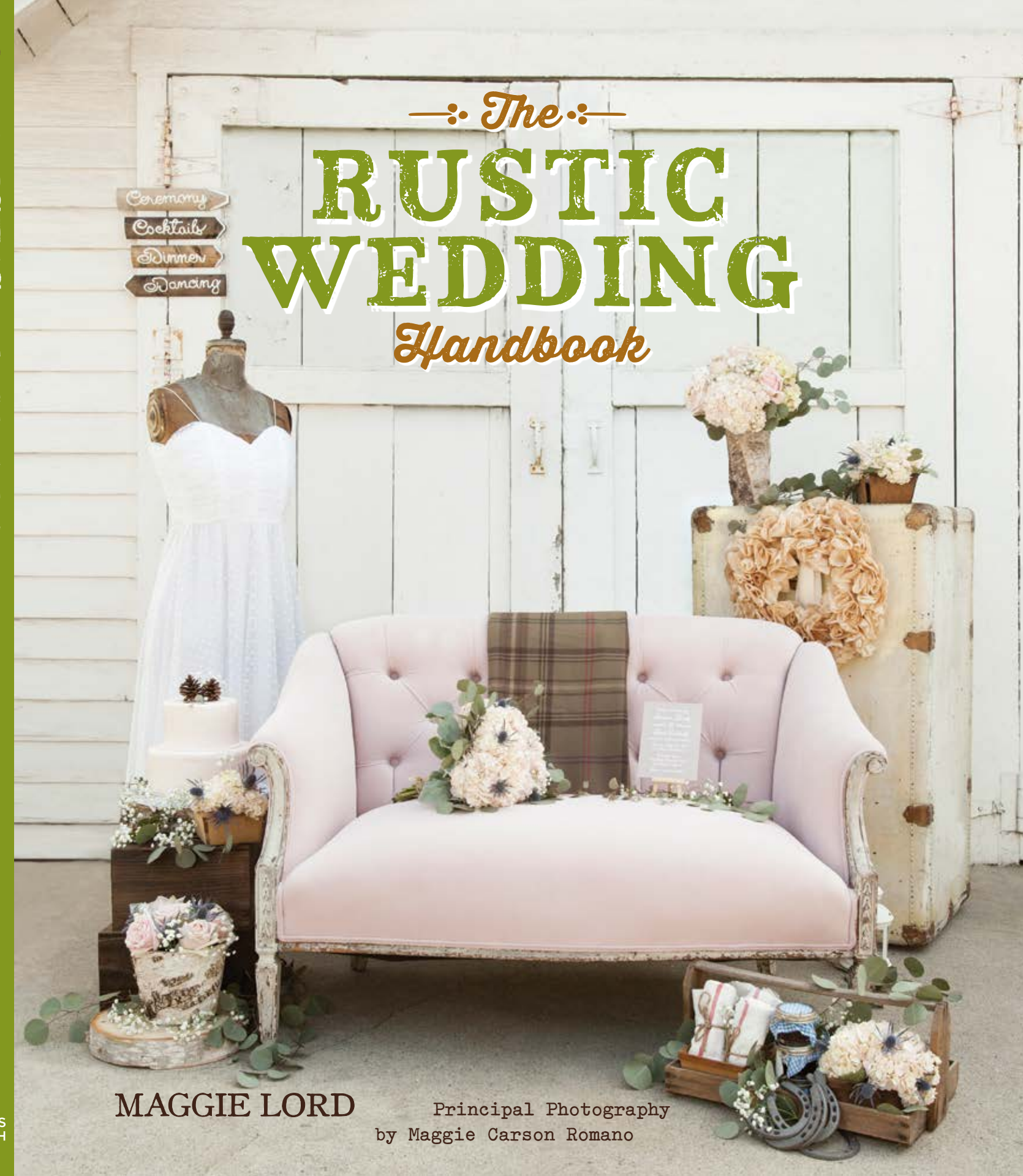


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The RUSTIC WEDDING Handbook

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RUSTIC WEDDING
Handbook

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THE BEAUTY OF A RUSTIC WEDDING IS ITS VERSATILITY AND ALL THE CREATIVITY THAT IT INVITES. Drawing on the wonderful ambiance of a natural, rustic setting and expressing personal style in a less traditional fashion is an exciting opportunity for couples to say “I do” in a way that is perfectly unique to them. Bringing this inspiration to life will require those special pieces that will make the day feel as personalized as possible.

The Rustic Wedding Handbook offers brides, couples and wedding planners ideas, advice and inspiration for planning a rustic-style wedding. Join rustic wedding expert Maggie Lord as she hits flea markets and shops to seek out unexpected items, the ones that will make a wedding day unique, personal and memorable. She shares her carefully curated lists and links for event planners, wedding dresses, venues, décor, stationery, photographers and rentals. Also included are step-by-step instructions for crafting rustic wedding projects that will add an extra measure of charm and creativity to a wedding day.



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WHERE: THE VENUE

THE SKY IS THE LIMIT WHEN IT COMES TO SELECTING A VENUE FOR YOUR WEDDING. You may already be picturing an old dairy barn, a vineyard or an urban loft, but keep an open mind and you will find a venue that works for you, your style and your budget.

I have had the pleasure of reviewing thousands of beautiful and unique rustic venues from around the country on the Rustic Wedding Guide section of the blog. Each venue is so different—with its own personality, opportunities and challenges. How to decide? Consider these insights from the many venues, vendors and real couples who have written to the blog to share their experiences with us.

Start with a (long) list of possible venues that have some or all of the qualities you are thinking about. For example, an outdoor ceremony location, a barn, views, water, horses and fields—whatever is important to you as a couple. Regardless of your venue preference, even if it is as informal as a friend's backyard, there are several important factors to take into account before committing. Do your homework: find out if the venues you like will be available on or near your chosen date and if they'll be able to accommodate your budget and the size of your wedding.





CHAPTER FOUR

DIY PROJECTS

