

Give Your Groomsmen A Gift That Lasts

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Groomsmen's gifts are a thoughtful way to let your close friends know how much their support on your wedding day means. The wedding party does a lot to ensure that your day goes smoothly, and have spent their time and money renting tuxes, organizing a bachelor party, and standing up with you while you exchange your vows. Thanking them with a token of your appreciation is customary, and after all they've done, definitely deserved!

There's no reason why you have to give every groomsman the same gift. Choose your groomsmen gifts based on the activities, hobbies and personal taste of your friends. Many grooms go golfing on the morning of the ceremony with their wedding party, so a leather golf shoe bag could be a wonderful present at the first tee. Some grooms enjoy a shared cigar with their groomsmen at the reception, and there are a variety of beautiful wood humidors and personalized cigar cutters for the celebratory cigars after the ceremony. Since almost any groomsmen gift has already been given at a number of weddings, it can be hard to find something unique that hasn't been done a hundred times before. A great gift idea is to personalize whatever item you choose to give your best man and groomsmen. Personalized groomsmen gifts create lasting memories of the wedding day for your friends. Personalized money clips, flasks, and monogrammed cufflinks are an ideal way to take a common groomsmen gift and give it a unique twist. Or, with a little imagination, you can personalize virtually any gift. Personalized camping coolers and barbecue branding irons are a creative gift for guys who like to rough it in the woods or men who like their steak, and a customized baseball bat with the groomsmen's initials would be greatly appreciated by a sporty best man. How about a personalized groomsmen double-barrel chicken cooker? Yes, it is an actual groomsmen gift! It just shows how you can find anything you can imagine to give as a thank you. Personalized gifts that can be displayed in the workplace such as LCD clocks, leather business card holders or letter openers would suit the busy businessman, and if he travels, a personalized compact shaving kit makes packing for a business trip easy. Budget is always a consideration, and for those who have the money to spend, pocket or wrist watches are elegant and timeless. Silver link chain bracelets are masculine and can be worn at a black tie wedding or a more informal party. These groomsmen's gifts are beautiful, but if you're on a tight budget, you can still get a variety of good quality gifts that cost a lot less. By acknowledging each man's personal style and personality, you can select a gift that will remind your groomsmen of all the good times you've shared, and the fond memories of your wedding day. Personalizing groomsmen gifts are a wonderful way to give an unforgettable memento of your lasting friendship.