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WESTBANK FLOWER MARKET,

West Lake Hills

✓ This popular Austin-area florist boasts an attentive staff focused on making sure all of your floral needs are met, from a message for the flower girl to a flowered archway at the reception. Another perk: They offer a selection of dried flowers and locally grown organic blooms. WestbankFlowers.com; (512) 327-3374

Dallas/Fort Worth

BRIDAL BLOOMS AND CREATIONS, Dallas

✓ Floral designer Pam Meyers specializes in creating fresh, hand-tied bouquets that are each different and unique, and she's equally adept with centerpieces, wreaths and more. With nearly 20 years in the business, let her be your guide through the world of wedding flowers. BridalBlossoms.com; (972) 907-8824

BOHEMIAN ANGEL, Dallas

★★★★ "She is a gem," one bride raves of this Dallas florist. Her expertise can give you fabulous flowers to fit any wedding style. "I just gave her some color ideas, and she gave me flowers to fit my budget." BohemianAngel-Dallas.com; (214) 754-9922

CHATEAU FLEUR, Marshall

★★★★ The creativity of these pros is "unmatched" according to one happy bride. Come in with your own ideas, or let them use their expertise to guide you to the right blooms for your bouquets, centerpieces and more. Chateau Fleur can work with any wedding style—and any budget. (800) 894-8528

DR. DELPHINIUM DESIGNS AND EVENTS, Dallas

✓ With 20 years in the business, this full-service Dallas florist has been a go-to source for generations of Texas brides. Focusing on natural elements and using color and texture to create the look you want, these pros can bring any wedding vision to full bloom. DrDelphinium.com; (214) 522-8801

FETE DES FLEURS, Dallas

✓ Floral designers Craig Peoples and James Lizar take a hands-on approach, working with a limited number of weddings to ensure that every petal will be perfect. Expect attention to detail, from the smallest boutonniere to the most spectacular centerpiece, from these Dallas flower pros. FeteDesFleurs.com; (214) 657-0332

THE GARDEN GATE FLORAL & GIFTS, Boss

★★★★ This "very thorough" florist will

work with you extensively before the wedding to ensure that every last petal will be perfect. "They were great to work with, and the day of the wedding the flowers were awesome," recalls one bride. "They ideas and creativity are unparalleled." TheGardenGateFloral.com; (972) 878-6636

THE PERFECT PETAL, Colleyville

✓ With more than 10 years in the business, Cheri Carmon and Amy Coffey bring experience as well as a creative eye to designing floral and décor elements for your wedding. Able to work in a variety of styles, whatever your wedding

THE WILDFLOWER FLORAL DESIGNS, Dallas

✓ Floral designer Stacy Masdock will put her over 10 years of experience to work for your wedding, going beyond just blooms to design details like custom liners, calligraphy, favors and more. Unspoiled elements like pearls and monograms grace the gorgeous bouquets and arrangements. TheWildflower.com; (214) 257-5364

Houston

BERGNER & JOHNSON DESIGN, Houston

★★★★ "Our florist has such a gift," says

this Missouri City bride, who has more than 20 years' experience in the flower business. "Our reception was breathtaking because of the beautiful arrangements," one Knottie says. "Carmon was easy to work with and the flowers she provided were gorgeous!" Carmonofloral.com; (281) 437-5685

FLORAL EVENTS, Houston

✓ With more than 10 years of experience, Houston florist Bill Ryan has built up quite the portfolio of bridal bouquets, centerpieces and more. Get inspired by the gorgeous photos and then work with the knowledgeable staff to capture your wedding's unique style in flowers. FloralEvents.com; (713) 863-7900

THE POSH PETAL, Houston

★★★★ Houston floral designer Ann Brock specializes in creating custom-arranged flowers for your wedding. No matter what your style, she'll be able to complement it fabulously with flowers. "I explained what I wanted and she executed it beautifully," says one bride. ThePoshPetal.com; (713) 662-8733

THE SECRET FLORAL GARDEN, Houston

★★★★ This flower pro wins kudos for working with brides to bring their vision to life. "From the bouquets to the centerpieces to the ceiling decorations, she was absolutely amazing," raves one bride. "I had no worries and no concerns." TheSecretFloralGarden.com; (832) 338-8492

THE SENTER-PIECE, Houston

★★★★ Check out this "extremely talented" husband-and-wife team, and you'll get great value for your dollar. "The bloom selections were second to none. It was obvious that they only choose the best flowers," one impressed bride says. "You won't be disappointed." TheSenterPiece.com; (281) 847-8528

SUZANNE'S FLOWERS, Sugar Land

★★★★ With more than 10 years of experience, Suzanne's Flowers can help you choose the perfect blooms for your wedding day. "Her help and advice were a blessing," says one thankful Knottie. "She came highly recommended, and the flowers were beautiful," raves another bride. "I absolutely loved my bouquet." SuzannesFlowers.com; (281) 265-0048

San Antonio

A NEW LEAF, San Antonio

○ This "very talented" florist "works with your budget to get your vision across," according to one bride. "The

TREND ALERT
budding beauty

Incorporating a cluster of tiny blooms into your bouquet makes for a dainty display. Small, creamy roses surrounded by larger white blooms look sweet while adding dimension.

Flowers by Fete Des Fleurs, Dallas, TX

FeteDesFleurs.com; (214) 657-0332

Photography by Perez Photography

Perez-Photography.com; (469) 877-4725

look, they help you say it with flowers. PerfectPetal.com; (817) 605-3366

SUNSHINE FLOWERS & GREENHOUSE, Dallas

○ Bring your floral decoration ideas to life with help from Sunshine Flowers & Greenhouse. "I came into the shop with a few ideas and he just flowed me with his creativity," according to one Knottie. "I got exactly what I wanted for less than my budget." SunshineFlowersandGreenhouse.com; (800) 242-8031

one pleased bride of her floral designer from this well-lit Houston studio. In addition to providing you with gorgeous blooms for your wedding, Bergner & Johnson can help you secure each venue at home and lighting. BergnerandJohnson.com; (713) 682-2769

CARMEN'S FLORAL DESIGN, Missouri City

★★★★ Brides rave about the creativity of

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