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Since **stationery** is the first introduction to your wedding, building in a sense of citrus gives guests a glimpse of the fabulous things to come. Karen Bartolomei of Boston-based Grapevine suggests a few ways to liven up your stationery suite:

The Fruit Spectrum: A real lime ranges from the chartreuse pulp to the bright green rind, so combine paper in multiple shades of any citrus color for added depth and contrast.

Mix Moods: Rich shimmering paper or silk dupioni in vibrant colors adds a touch of elegance and tradition to a citrus theme, which is often more on the whimsical, casual side.

Pin in Place: Pin flat escort cards to a bed of real citrus fruits.

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Favors are an easy way to tie in the style of the occasion. Try these ideas with a citrus bent:

Chocolate Indulgence: Candied orange slices dipped in chocolate make for a sweet, decadent treat.

New Twist, Retro Candy: For a kitschy twist on a perennial favorite, create a candy buffet stocked with Lemonheads.

Coming Up Lemons: Packets of lemon tree seedlings let guests bring the theme home.



Color is literally at the center of **sushi** rolls. Make-your-own stations, complete with a sushi chef on hand to help, will get guests involved in the day's details in a fun way. For a citrus color scheme, Junji Aoki, head chef at Best of Boston 2007 winner Sushi Island in Wakefield, Massachusetts, recommends salmon or tuna since both have a vibrant reddish or orange color. He also suggests adding roe (fish eggs) to your favorite sushi roll since they're available in a variety of colors, including orange and green.

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