

Entertaining Ideas

A How-To Holiday Entertaining Guide Arrives In Time

(NAPSA)—How do you throw an “A list” holiday party on a “Z list” budget? The two women who produced many of the remarkable parties featured in the pages of *InStyle*, *W* and *Vogue* magazines are telling all. Lifestyle and uber-publicists Lara Shriftman and Elizabeth Harrison, together with Karen Robinovitz, have written their first book, “Fete Accompli! The Ultimate Guide to Creative Entertaining” (Clarkson Potter, \$24.50).

With over 50 years combined professional experience of planning parties, the two principals of Harrison & Shriftman, a public relations, special events, and marketing firm, are truly pioneers when it comes to celebrating the holiday season in style. And now, thanks to Rose’s Cocktail Infusions, it’s easier than ever. Their new line of unique, flavored martini mixers enables you to serve the trendiest cocktails right in your own home with their simple one-to-one recipes.

Here are a few of Lara and Elizabeth’s personal tips on partying:

Be Your Own Bartender

- Plan ahead by premaking your drinks using equal parts Rose’s Cocktail Infusions. Once your guests arrive, all you’ll need to do is pour.

- Be festive with a candy-colored holiday martini bar everyone will remember. Make colorful martinis using Rose’s Cocktail Infusions and vodka. Add red and green gummi bears, jolly ranchers or candy canes. Garnish them with red licorice sticks, which do double duty as stirrers and straws when you bite off each end.

- Rim your martini glasses with cocktail candy.

- Say hello to bottle service. On tables, chill a bottle of vodka



over ice and surround it with martini shakers, cocktail glasses and Rose’s Cocktail Infusions, so people can help themselves.

- Print out your favorite drink recipes from magazines and cookbooks so your guests will have trendy drink ideas right at their fingertips. For more information, visit www.rosesinfusions.com for great recipes.

“Rose’s Cocktail Infusions simple, one-to-one recipe makes it fun and easy to make stylish cocktails in your own home that taste just as good as a bartender’s,” said Shriftman.

The following recipe from Lot 61, a chic Manhattan lounge frequented by every celebrity from Matt Damon and Ben Affleck to George Clooney and Paris Hilton, will add sophisticated flair and creativity to your next holiday party.

The Lot 61 Candy Cane Martini

- 1 part Rose’s Cocktail Infusions Cranberry Twist**
- 1 part Grey Goose Vanilla Vodka**
- 1 hint of Rose’s Lime Juice**

Shake all ingredients well. Serve in a chilled martini glass. Garnish with a candy cane (hooked on the side of the glass).