

Parrot Party Favors

Kick off your get-together in avian style

A new year means a new set of possibilities. It's also high-time party season. A great way to set the stage for the new year (and to show off your love for all things bird) is to throw a parrot-themed party. This month, we gathered a few party items to kick off your get-together in avian style.

Party guests will admire this colorful, 20-inch Parrot Piñata from Birthday Express as a decorative hanging piece. You can also use it as a traditional piñata. Fillers are sold separately, or you can create your own filler mixture. A pull-string piñata kit, which allows you to convert the Parrot Piñata to have a trap door for a gentler release, is also available. Contact: Birthday Express, (800) 424-7843, www.birthdayexpress.com.

This parrot party favor from Beautiful Sweets will satisfy your sweet tooth. The 6-inch, parrot-shaped gourmet cookies are available in minimum orders of 10 and features a colorful design. It might not look like any parrot mutation seen in real life, but party guests will enjoy this tasty treat. Contact: Beautiful Sweets, (866) FUN-GIFT, www.beautifulsweets.com.

These 3-foot tall parrot and flamingo torch candles give tired tiki torches a new look and will be sure to light up any party. Light them up for any outdoor occasion. The parrot itself stands 12-inches tall. Contact: Plum Party, (800) 227-0314, www.plumparty.com.

Making a homemade tropical party punch? These parrot pitchers will be worthy of serving your creative libation. Each ceramic pitcher features a parrot with a branch handle. The pitchers stand 7-inches tall. It is available in assorted colors. Contact: Plum Party, (800) 227-0314, www.plumparty.com.

The Parrot Pops designed by Linda the Parrot Lady are specially handmade from molded, gourmet chocolate and make the perfect parrot party favor. The 6-inch long pops are part of a special package and can be ordered when you book a show or party with the Parrot Lady. Please contact before ordering. Contact: The Parrot Lady, (401) 943-BIRD, www.theparrotlady.com.

The light-blue colored napkins (top) by Caspari Paper Products feature a lory, blue-and-gold macaw and scarlet macaw set against a feathered background. The matching plastic 8-inch dessert plates (bottom) will set the table for any parrot party. The napkins come in two sizes and the dessert plates are available in packs of eight. Contact: Plum Party, (800) 227-0314, <http://www.plumparty.com/>.