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Three themed parties for sticking out the summer.

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THINKPINK

HOSTED BY PAUL AND LISSA GRUMAN Indian Canyons, Palm Springs



CONCEPT

Hot summer weather in the desert calls for a casual, late-afternoon get-together with a few good friends, delicious nibbles, and fabulous rosé. These new Palm Springs residents invited a few pals to think pink and join them on their front courtyard patio under their big pink polka-dot umbrella for French rosé, canapés, and small bites. The Grumans brought out their vintage goldand-white Limoges china and a vintage bar cart for beverage service.

DETAILS

Trio Restaurant's chef Phillip Martin, a culinary newcomer from Los Angeles, crafted dishes as pretty to look at as they were delicious to eat. He is inspired by the varied microclimates in the Coachella Valley that result in gorgeous seasonal ingredients that support his passion for

farm-to-table cooking. Noting that he loves a good challenge and the use of flamboyant color, Martin took the pink theme to heart. His menu included heirloom beet salad served on endive; watermelon, tomato, and mozzarella skewers; cauliflower ceviche served on mini corn tortillas, and ahi tuna poke in cucumber. For a sweet finish, individual strawberry shortcakes came out on a tray just as the sky was turning pink.

VENDORS

The Pink Dot Double Decker Umbrella that inspired the theme is from Santa Barbara Designs. Catering by Trio Catering & Events by chef Phillip Martin paired with rosé from Rumor, a vineyard in Provence. Enhancing the party backdrop is a concrete sculpture by Birgit Piskor.









clockwise from opposite: Guests raise their glasses in an afternoon toast. The two-tier dotted umbrella by Santa Barbara Designs prompted the Think Pink get-together. Assorted canapés (see the chef's recipe for cauliflower ceviche on palmspringslife.com) were followed by a strawberry shortcake ending. Guests served themselves, using the Grumans' Limoges china. Flowing Rumor rosé was an easy choice for the theme.

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