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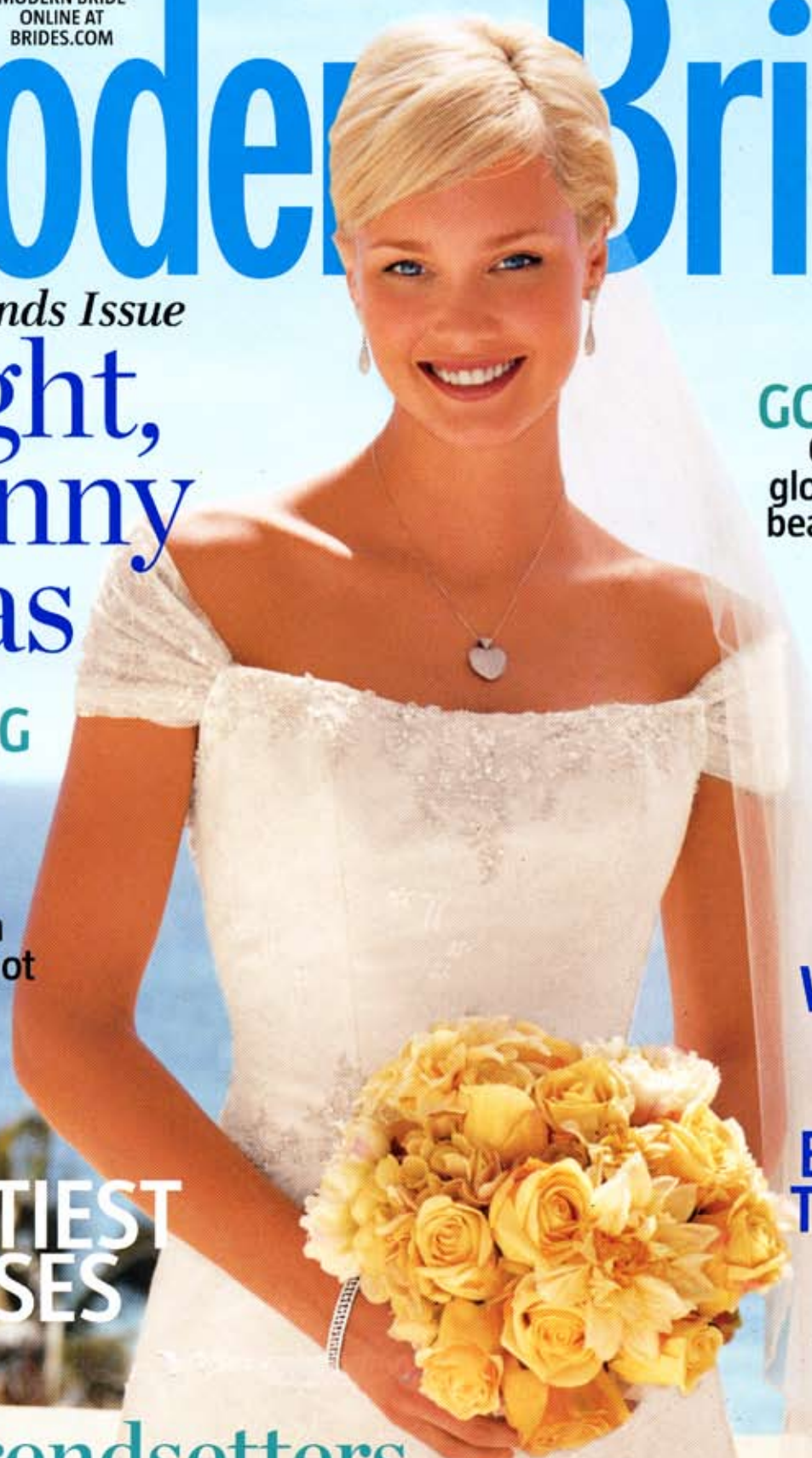
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Refined Sugar

Banana cake filled with brown sugar buttercream, covered in fondant and decorated with a hand-painted pattern. Serves two, \$40, by The Painted Cake, NJ, thepaintedcake.com.



Rosy Reception

Centerpiece of Espresso and Latin Ambience roses, proteas and berries, wrapped with lace ribbon, \$250, from Jane Packer Flowers, janepacker.com.



Chic Treats

"Signature" four-piece chocolate favor boxes, \$10 each, by Charles Chocolates, charleschocolates.com. Damask gift tag, \$12 for eight, from Dauphine Press, dauphinepress.com.



Give it a Swirl

Letterpressed three-color invitation and response card with printed envelopes and liners, \$2,701 for 100 sets, from Dauphine Press, dauphinepress.com.

Prints Charming

For invitations that make an impact, pick a pretty pattern, like this decorative damask, in hot hues such as pink, turquoise and orange. The same fancy flourishes can also adorn favor tags and small, three-tiered cakes for two. Continue the intricate design theme with a lacy ribbon on your centerpieces.