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Guests clink glasses at a backyard party hosted by Mick Fox and Dino Raimondi of Fig + Nash. Their "Wild Things on the Desert Oasis" theme is one of three summer suggestions.



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WILD THINGS ON THE DESERT OASIS

HOSTED BY MICK FOX AND DINO RAIMONDI, PRINCIPALS, FIG + NASH
Andreas Hills, Palm Springs



CONCEPT

Summer in our desert oasis may be arid, but it's also full of lush greenery. This party theme took root from the hosts' own desert oasis, a recent landscape and hardscape renovation orchestrated by their friends at Yolac & Lloyd Landscape Design. Towering verdant hedges frame the new outdoor living room and create a natural backdrop to showcase a fusion of Fig + Nash favorites plucked for the occasion from the owners' two design boutiques and interior design practice. Limited-edition wild animal sculptures from the Lalique bestiary that recently arrived at the El Paseo store brought the theme to life.

DETAILS

The visiting "wild things" from Lalique — rare black crystal beasts and a gold-luster tiger — took center stage on a decadent dessert table styled by Fig + Nash managing designer Gabriela Helesicova. The tablescape embodied elements of a natural oasis. Oversize monstera leaves and fragrant halved grapefruits, lemons, and limes were juxtaposed against Fig + Nash entertaining essentials from Christoffle,

Georg Jensen, Baobab, and L'Objet. A pair of custom logo cakes and an assortment of French macarons from Over the Rainbow Desserts tantalized guests until it was time to cut and serve. Meanwhile, on the patio, a savory charcuterie board from On the Mark graced a Leopard tablecloth from L'Objet. Accompanied by Fortuny dessert plates, the setup exemplified the hosts' strategy for entertaining: Create casually elegant, stylish settings. Fox and Raimondi like to borrow mood-creating secrets from their design business. One example? "We use remnant fabric and wallpapers from our design projects to make customized table coverings and tray liners," Fox says.

VENDORS

Elements from the Fig + Nash design boutiques and interior design studio were enhanced by On the Mark, Over the Rainbow Desserts, Gelson's, Bar One Staffing, Rumor rosé wine, and Palm Springs Florist. "Because we entertain often, our guests expect amazing," Raimondi shares. "To make hosting doable for us yet memorable for guests, we have our local party go-to's all lined up."



clockwise from top:
 In the "desert oasis" of the hosts' backyard, a luxe charcuterie board by On the Mark and colorful crudité sit on a L'Objet tablecloth. Guests mingle as hors d'oeuvres emerge on silver trays. A Lalique crystal panther and gold luster tiger guard the dessert table. Cake by Over the Rainbow Desserts. Fortuny plates find their way to the fire pit.



"PARTY LIGHTING IS SO IMPORTANT, FROM THE UNTAMED GLOW OF THE FIRE PIT FLAMES TO FRAGRANT CANDLES OF ALL SIZES AND HEIGHTS TO AMBIENT INDOOR AND OUTDOOR LIGHTING."



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SHOP Heavy Metals

Cool metallics for the hot season.

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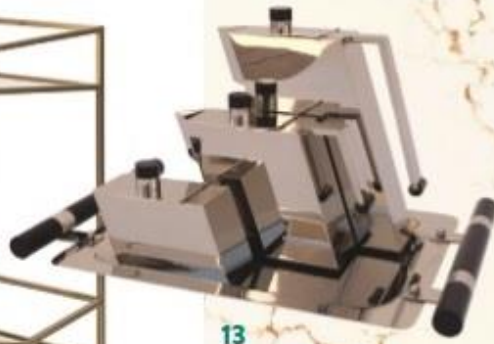
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1 / Spinnaker oval dining table by Hessentia / Cornelio Cappellini at Interior Illusions. 2 / Pixo Plus Lamp by Pablo Designs in white and brass at Polago. 3 / Brass Hare Head by HomArt at Rancho Relaxo. 4 / Eye Ball Brass Swivel Armchair by Kare Design at Rapport Furniture. 5 / Altimeter Alarm Clock in black at Modern Hacienda. 6 / L'Objet + Lito Vanity Mirror at Fig + Nash. 7 / Limited-edition "Pick Your Poison" giant flask sculpture at The Shag Store. 8 / Home bar at the Green Gables project by H3K Home+Design; tile at Modern Home Design Showroom. 9 / Versace Brand Logo Barrel by Efi Mashiah at Elena Bulatova Fine Art. 10 / Metal Frame Pivot Wall Mirror at West Elm. 11 / Dough Gold table lamp by Kare Design at Rapport Furniture. 12 / Vector Bar Cart at Between the Sheets. 13 / Memphis period polished nickel tea set by Punto Bacola for Montagnani at La Mod Inc. 14 / Cambria Quartz in Inverness gold at Cambria. 15 / Brass and Mongolian fur counter-height stool at Christopher Kennedy Inc. 16 / Breakfast Wine gold foil jumbo mug at Kat & Cody. 17 / Shun Premier Nakiri Knife at Wabi Sabi Japan Living.



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