

*And we're off to the races!*

**THE** *Dish* .....  
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*“Who doesn't like a two-minute race, and  
the rest of the party is just for fun?”*

Me!



Dear Friends,

The Kentucky Derby is May 3rd, and once again, it's the perfect occasion for a party!  
This week's *Dish* will give you recipes and pro tips you need to cross the finish line ...  
*effortlessly!*

Gathering the people you love can be fun for YOU, and *Effortless Entertaining* ... my  
book, the workshop, and my speaking engagements show you how! Even better than the

pro tips I offer below for a Derby Party, we will tackle every aspect of how you entertain.

I'm scheduling speaking engagements for Fall, 2025 and 2026 ... [Let's talk!](#)

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And now, as they say at the Derby ...

*Riders Up!*

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*Let's Style Up Your Derby Party! ...* 🐎



Check out stylish cocktail napkins and stirrers [here](#).

Visit [Pomegranate](#) for an extensive selection of all things [equestrian](#) and Derby!

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## How to Squeeze and Freeze Juices! 🍊 ❄️



Check out today's [Instagram](#) for my tips on using fresh-squeezed juices.

[SMEG Juicer](#) | [Small Chef'n Juicer](#) | [Ice Cube Trays](#) | [Mason Jars](#) | [Mason Jar Lids](#)

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### *More tips!*

- For the Mint Juleps you can prep ahead and add the bourbon and mix for each drink.
- Offer other beverages, both alcoholic and non-alcoholic. We like to offer a full bar so everyone is happy!
- Source locally for anything you don't want to make ... ham biscuits, brownies, lemon squares. Even though EE offers recipes for homemade brownies and lemon squares, I often procure from my favorite local sources and, I never make ham biscuits!

- Choose the choices of bread you prefer. I love [Pepperidge Farm Very Thin White](#) bread. Along with your sandwiches, offer your salads without bread and with gluten-free crackers.
- Offer small bowls of mixed nuts, cheese straws, and M&M's. Guests love to nibble!

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I hope you enjoy your Derby Party and every other party you'd like to host!

From our home to yours,

*Dee Dee*

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## KENTUCKY DERBY MENU

Enjoy this easy prep and prepare menu!

- [Mint Julep](#)
- [Mint Julep Mocktail](#)
- [Top Hat Crab Cakes](#) with [Spicy Remoulade](#)
- Ham Biscuits – Source locally!
- [Three Cheese Pimento Cheese Sandwiches](#) on Pepperidge Farm Very Thin White Bread
- [Cucumber Spread](#)
- Cape Cod Potato Chips
- [Irwin's Super Brownies](#)
- [Lemon Squares](#)



Printer-Friendly Recipes

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Your encouragement to share beauty and hospitality is  
much appreciated!”*

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