

HOW TO AVOID A FIGHT FOR THE BOUQUET

Rig the toss.

Tell your favorite to step away from the pack. When you give her a prearranged signal, toss bouquet to her.

Split your bouquet into several individual bouquets.

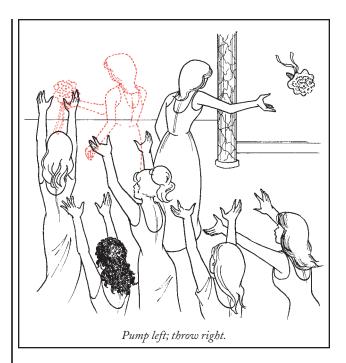
Divide the bouquet into as many mini-bouquets as necessary to satisfy all the serious contenders. If there are more than four who really want the bouquet, or you're not sure how many there are, disassemble the bouquet entirely and shower the crowd.

Throw wild.

Throw the bouquet way past everyone. Throw it in the opposite direction from the crowd. Or pump fake to your left, sending the majority of women in that direction, then toss the bouquet far to your right. Once the bouquet hits the floor, the spell is broken: You need to catch the bouquet on the fly in order to be married within the year.

Be Aware

- Good spacing among the women can prevent scuffles caused by tight clustering.
- Brides should throw a secondary bouquet that is smaller and lighter and that will get better "air."



- The proper distance from the pack of single women is six large paces.
- You may find that no women want to catch the bouquet, for a variety of reasons. If no one steps forward, give the bouquet to the couple who has been married the longest. Alternatively, organize young girls and boys onto the dance floor and toss the bouquet to one of them.

