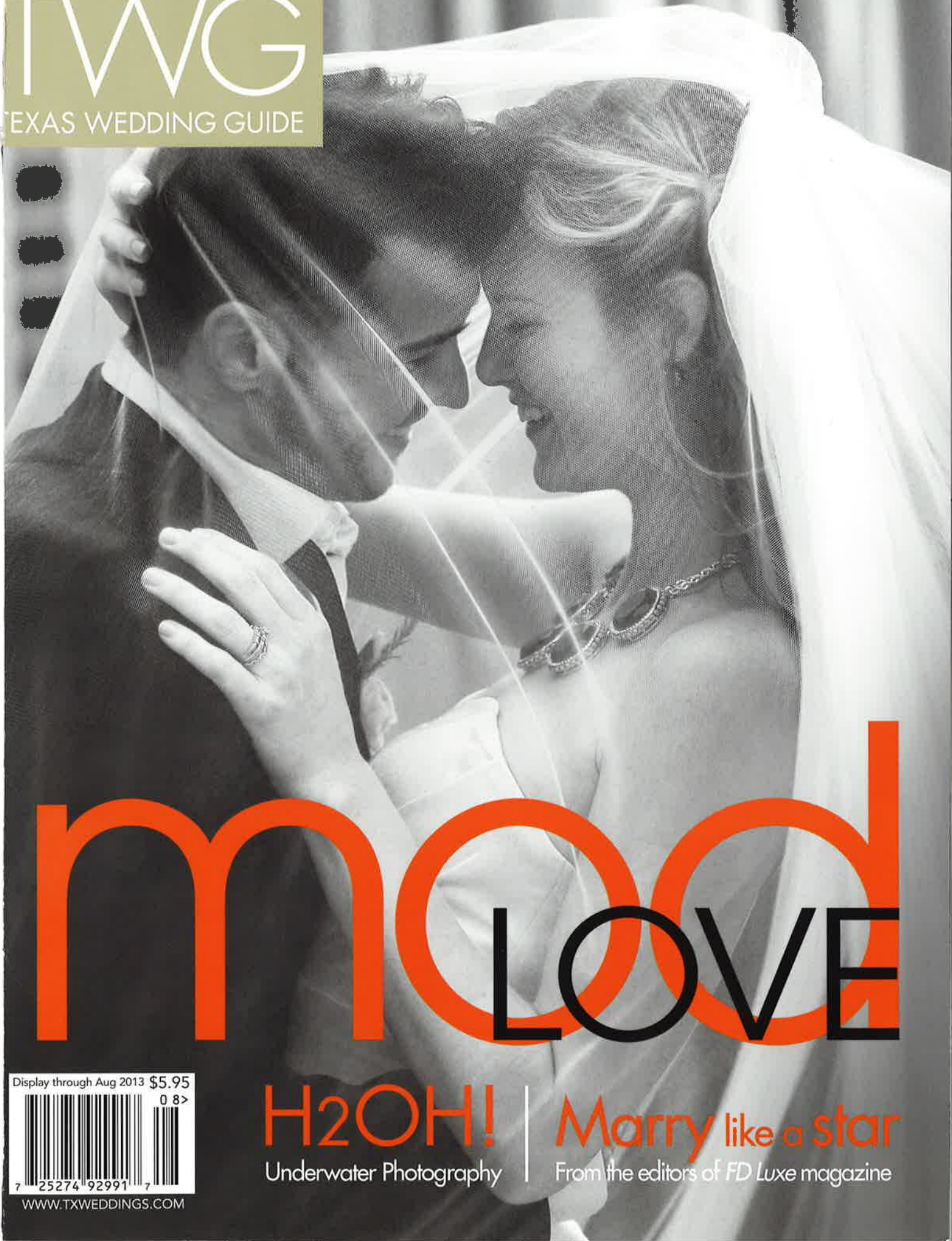


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Cake is not for everyone.

But, if you ask around, you'll find most people still view it as an integral part of a traditional wedding. A tasty, tiered and tailored custom cake is the "little black dress" of wedding traditions, and will always be a classic and fashionable go-to.

In the age of customized everything, the "little black dress" can be pushed aside to create room in the wardrobe for other delectable alternatives.

Here are a few trends, straight from the experts themselves, with treats sure to satisfy the most finicky of palettes.



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Let's say you decide to do away with the traditional wedding cake. You still want a statement piece; something that is obviously the "new" cake at the party. "Some brides will do cake balls or cupcakes because it provides the same feel as a cake and is an easy grab-and-go option," says Jenna Heilman, events and membership director, Cypress Club at The Reserve at Lake Travis.