



Elements Of The Table (Hardback)

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Random House USA Inc, United States, 2007. Hardback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. Elegance is the art of not astonishing, said Jean Cocteau, but often the idea of a formal dinner party is intimidating to both hosts and guests for one reason: the table setting. Why is there a spoon above my plate? Do I really need five different glasses? Where do I put my napkin when I leave the table? Lynn Rosen comes to the rescue with this practical, charming, and informative guide to all things tabletop. Organized by category, Lynn s advice is sensible, her explanations are clear, and her historical asides will provide plenty of lively dinner conversation. You ll learn about: Napery. What to do about that crease in your tablecloth, how to use a table runner, and the history of napkin rings (hint: they came into use not for decoration, but for an exceedingly practical purpose!) China. The difference between a rim soup bowl and a rimless coupe soup bowl, when to bring out the coffee cups, and why we call it china Silver. Basic rules for arranging the setting (evenly spaced, about a half-inch apart, with the handle bottoms lined up),...



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