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cat & greg SARASOTA · October 18

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the favors

At the dinner table, guests were greeted by two gifts: a succulent and two macarons nestled in a woven box topped with a printed silhouette of the couple.

the cake

The three-tiered cake was adorned with brown ribbons, orange and white flowers and rows of pearls that matched Cat's dress.



their story
Though they're sometimes
embarrassed to admit it, Cat

Horton (33 and a magazine photo editor) and Greg Pennenga (31 and an assistant manager at a frame shop/student/artist) met on MySpace. They had both recently moved back to their hometowns and created accounts to reconnect with old friends. Cat kept noticing Greg's profile picture, which was a photo of a Frank Frazetta painting. Coincidentally, Cat had just bought a 1983 Frazetta calendar and used it as a talking point when she finally messaged him. Originally, Cat was just looking for a new friend but she knew he'd be her husband just three weeks into the relationship. They moved in together after six months, and a year-and-a-half later, Greg surprised her with a walk on the beach—and a ring. —LF



the ceremony

"The location was the most important detail—besides my groom of course!" says Cat. The Powel Crosley Estate was her father's childhood home and has since been turned into a museum. When Cat was 11 years old, she visited the site with her family and decided that she'd eventually get married there.

the escort cards

Slightly bigger than a traditional business card, the escort cards matched the other stationery with a brown damask pattern and apple green-and-orange accents.

the centerpieces

Cat and her mom spent months collecting vintage vases, which they filled with flowers and arranged on top of an apple green linen sewn by Cat's mom. Homemade candle votives were then peppered throughout.





their style

The couple wanted the wedding to have an old-school Florida feel without being too kitschy. The result: a combination of vintage and modern. Cat and Greg used chocolate brown, tangerine orange and electric lime green to pull off a Gatsby-esque theme.



the bouquet

Cat carried a mix of white dahlias, garden roses, white anemones, mums, cymbidiums and white ostrich feathers.

the exit

The couple waved good-bye from Cat's father's 34-foot yacht. They bundled under blankets, while they sailed to a dock where their car was waiting.



their ingredients

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