

BRIDE

IN A NUTSHELL

THE SOUNDTRACK: An African marimba band as a nod to our time in Kenya, a sing-along set list for all the American visitors, a head metal set list for Phil and some Cape Town classics.
THE DECOR: Unexpected contrasts.
THE RING: Verragio created a custom-designed band with an antique look and a locally sourced diamond.
THE PROPOSAL: In Jamaica, under the moon on a pier jutting into the Caribbean.

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ROCK AND *romance*

Candice Gould, a global portfolio manager and Philip Nesnadny, who works for the American government, met in Kenya, where their jobs had taken them at the time.

Where did you meet?

Where all lasting relationships begin – in a bar, of course!

Tell us about your unusual choice of music for the wedding.

We wanted it to represent the diversity in our backgrounds and cultures, and also to pay tribute to special memories in our relationship.

Were there any glitches?

There were many! However, we made a decision to roll with the punches and enjoy the day. A shot (or two!) of tequila may have helped out.

The most romantic moment?

Phil in tears as I walked down the aisle.

The most memorable part of the day?

The impromptu

speeches – very moving.

What personal touch stood out for you? The overall realisation that we'd created the wedding we wanted to have.

Top budgeting tips? Draw up a budget at the outset (and stick to it). Also, look beyond the wedding to the expenses you'll have in the coming year or two.

What quality do you love most about your husband? I can be quite a handful, but he never loses his sense of humour or patience with me.

What's the best advice anyone's given you about marriage? Words from my grandfather: "She admires, she accepts, she supports, she trusts, she respects – he feels loved."

Your cake had three different layers. What were they? Carrot, red velvet and chocolate. 

At Candice and Philip's unique wedding, soft and feminine elements were paired with edgy, bold ones

LITTLE WHITE BOOK

Venue: La Petite Dauphine, Franschoek – www.lapetitedauphine.co.za

Wedding planner: Megan Kenney at Wedding Concepts – www.weddingconcepts.co.za

Dress: Pronovias, New York City – www.pronovias.us

Hair and make-up: Renée Rossouw – www.reneehairmakeup.com

Flowers and decor: Fleur le Cordeur – www.fleurlecordeur.co.za

DJ: DJ Preston – www.oncuemusic.co.za

Jazz duo: Sarah Jane and Angelo Thomas – www.shakeandbakeentertainment.com

Cake: Roxanne Floquet – www.roxannefloquet.com

Photographer: Vivid Blue – www.vividblue.co.za

Ceremony music: Marimba band: AmaAmbush – www.marimbas.co.za/wordpress

