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seaside SENTIMENT

Together with wedding planner Allison Liset,

A SENTIMENTAL COUPLE CREATED NAUTICAL NUPTIALS

~ THAT ENDED WITH AN EMOTIONAL SENDOFF ~

AND A BIG BANG AT THE LEGENDARY CHATHAM BARS INN.



event HIGHLIGHTS

Cape Cod has a way of always drawing people back, with its quintessential charm and inviting beaches. When the tides brought Megan and Ryan back to the Cape time after time, they decided it was where they should marry. “We wanted to do something different and have a memorable experience,” Megan shared, “not only for ourselves, but also for our guests.” The couple wanted to include nautical details as little nods to the local area. Allison Liset of Elegant Engagements helped them coordinate all the personalized pieces, the biggest of which was their private vow exchange. “We wanted to have that moment just to ourselves,” recalled Megan, “it was so beautiful and special.” A public ceremony then took place, followed by a recessional parade around the property. During the reception guests enjoyed elements custom designed to coordinate with the colors and theme of the wedding—everything from drink stirrers to pashmina wraps were in the couple’s signature shade of blue, and the boat rope emblem on the invitations was repeated throughout the event. At the end of the evening, the father of the bride asked Liset to bring the guests down to the beach. “We lured them out with sparklers,” she explained, “and then the bride’s father surprised the newlyweds and their guests with a custom fireworks display to top off the most amazing evening with a bang!” “My dad had remembered that I had once told him that I loved the exit scene in *The Father of the Bride*,” Megan gushed, “the firework display he recreated from the movie was so magical and beautiful—something I’ll always remember.”



this page: **1** | A trumpeter led the happy couple, along with all the guests, on a recessional parade from the South Lawn ceremony, down to the beach, and up to cocktail hour. **2** | The blissful couple shared a kiss along one of the meandering pathways of the expansive oceanfront venue. *opposite:* **1** | The groom and groomsmen relax in Cape casual style wearing navy blazers, Top-siders and matching bowties. **2** | The surprise fireworks display was a breathtaking gift from the bride’s father that wowed all the guests with an emotional send-off. **3** | Inside the clear-top tent, tables were set with blue striped table linens, silver-rimmed glassware, silver Chiavari chairs, and blue luster chargers all from Be Our Guest. **4** | Nautical ropes that served as table number holders set next to lanterns that were hand-etched by Megan’s father with the couple’s new monogram. **5** | The bridesmaids wore ocean blue dresses, each choosing a dress that complemented their personal style. The white hydrangea bouquets finished off the Cape Cod feel. **6** | Mini s’more-flavored milkshakes were topped with chocolate flakes, a marshmallow, and a blue polka-dot straw. **7** | Cookies were labeled with the couple’s knot logo and given as favors to guests. **8** | The groomsmen were transported to the venue in comfort aboard a slick party bus from Cape Destinations. **9** | The nautical navy and white wedding invitations were finished off with boat rope tied in a sailor’s knot.

