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"it was absolutely magical tying the knot in the same area where jeff proposed. all of those tender memories blended with the new ones we were making as we became husband and wife in a day of pure joy. select a locale for your wedding that holds a special place in your heart."

DETAILS



THE PRO'S

EVENT RENTALS: NEW ENGLAND COUNTRY RENTALS

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LIGHTING + TENT: CHASE CANOPY COMPANY [CHASECANOPY.COM / PAGE 31]

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ADDITIONAL CONTACTS: CUPCAKES: CRUMBS / COORDINATION: ELEGANT ENGAGEMENTS / ENTERTAINMENT: BOSS BAND / FLORAL DESIGN: LILACS / GOWN: COUNTRY WEDDINGS / HAIR + MAKEUP: I DO ON-SITE HAIR & FACE / HAIRPIECE: SARA GABRIEL / JEWELRY: DESCENZA / PAPERGOODS: SWISS COTTAGE DESIGN / RECEPTION SITE: THE WIANNO CLUB / SUIT: JOSEPH A. BANKS / WEDDING REGISTRY: SUR LA TABLE, POTTERY BARN + WILLIAM SONOMA

***DESIGN DETAILS:** 1. make mix-and-match magic 2. pantry-perfect homemade jam 3. save the date for shore



BEFORE THE RING. Kendall Kirby and Jeff Miller's love story began in an English course at Colby College. Though the pair couldn't have seemed more different—Kendall, an English major with a love of literature and Jeff, a lacrosse player moseying to class late every day—something sparked between them. Introduced by a mutual friend, the couple fell head over heels. For three years the pair was inseparable, and when Jeff graduated before Kendall, they traveled back and forth to Boston every weekend. Over the years, their collegiate romance blossomed into long-lasting love.

THE PROPOSAL. The couple spent summers with Jeff's extended family in the cozy Cape town of Cotuit. One breezy morning in June, Kendall and Jeff set out for a sunrise swim to nearby Sampson's Island. As the pair waded out of the water, Jeff got down on one knee and revealed the ring hidden in the pocket of his swim trunks. "I was so shocked," Kendall says. "Not only was it a surprise, it was a miracle that it wasn't lost in the swim!" Warm sunlight sparkled off the waves as she exclaimed, "Yes!"

THE DAY & DESIGN. Keeping the theme of their special day timeless with whimsical touches, the couple celebrated their nuptials with a garden-party-inspired reception with vintage vibes. Petal pinks and peaches with pops of baby blue complemented mismatched china and classic farm tables for a soft and romantic effect. Kendall and Jeff opted for custom table toppers instead of numbers, naming each after a meaningful location. "We decided to serve the food family-style," Kendall says. "Sharing food is such a good conversation starter, and we wanted everyone to feel at home." The down-home aura of the elegant affair was complete with custom cupcakes, mason jar cocktails, and jam favors made by the bride and her mother.