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SUZETT & SAM
DECEMBER 17 • BOCA GRANDE, FL

Island Vibrance

PHOTOGRAPHY BY CARRIE PATTERSON PHOTOGRAPHY
EVENT PLANNING & DESIGN BY ANNA LUCIA EVENTS



TABLES
Whitewashed tables kept the focus on the towering centerpieces and teal dance floor.



CEREMONY Whitewashed doors framed the alfresco ceremony setup, where Suzett and Sam exchanged vows on a raised platform in the shade of century-old banyan trees. “The succulent letters displayed on each door are in our house now,” Suzett says. **DÉCOR** At the airy reception, silver-beaded chargers were placed on the tables amid galvanized centerpieces and turquoise tumblers. **WELCOME BAGS** Out-of-town guests took home canvas totes filled with corked candy jars and sunglasses emblazoned with the couple’s wedding date. **VENUE** Thousands of succulents—the couple’s favorite plant—were strewn throughout The Gasparilla Inn & Club, a luxe resort located on the Gulf of Mexico.



There was no shortage of succulents or saturated details at Suzett Strayer (32 and a pharmacist) and Sam Hamilton’s (31 and a real estate developer) luxe tented fete in Boca Grande, Florida. The couple didn’t skimp on personalization either, outfitting their nuptials with lawn games, a tequila tent, raw bar and Caribbean J’ouvert (a recessional parade) that called for a fire truck, golf cart and steel drum performers. Postceremony, partygoers and a 14-piece band took to the one-of-a-kind dance floor custom painted for the occasion. “As everyone left the tent to line up for our sparkler exit, Suzett and I hung back to dance alone together,” Sam says. “It was a moment that’s still so vivid.” —RS



the knot

WEDDING VISION

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WEDDING STYLE

Natural with a bit of **Southern** and a touch of **Rustic**. The setting could be **Tented**, **Waterfront** or underneath **Trees**.

COLOR PALETTE

Earth Tones

Teal and dusty blue accented with silver, white and coral.



MUST-HAVES

Succulents

The hardy plant appeared on place settings and was draped on verdant garlands.

Satellite Bar

Partygoers sipped the groom's favorite tequilas under experiential tents.

Custom Dance Floor

Guests gathered on a stained-wood dance floor stamped with the couple's monogram. "It was painted in Suzett's favorite color and really made the space pop," Sam says.



🍷 We love that Boca Grande feels stuck in time. Suzett and I truly got to unwind there. 💬 —SAM

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1 Garland, \$30, Hearth & Hand with Magnolia, Target.com **2** Tote, \$58, Madewell.com **3** Succulent, \$14 for 3, Winlyn, Amazon.com **4** Dress, \$165, Wtoo by Watters, Wtoo.com **5** Blanco tequila, \$44, Casamigos, AstorWines.com **6** Charger, \$45, Jay Imports, Macys.com **7** Gown, \$1,349, CasablancaBridal.com

Ingredients

Ceremony Site Banyan Street, Boca Grande, FL **Reception Site** The Gasparilla Inn & Club, Boca Grande, FL **Photography** Carrie Patterson Photography **Videography** Voila Cinematic **Event Planning & Design** Anna Lucia Events **Floral Design** Boca Blooms by Valley Forge Flowers **Gown** Ceremony: Francesca Miranda, The Wedding Shoppe, Wayne, PA; reception: Tom and Linda Platt, Sophy Curson, Philadelphia **Hair & Makeup** James Griffith Salon **Veil** Custom, The Wedding Shoppe, Wayne, PA **Shoes** Badgley Mischka **Bridesmaid Dresses** Alfred Sung, Lizelles Bridal, Havertown, PA **Formalwear** Indochino **Stationery** TPD Design House **Rentals** A Chair Affair; Event Effects Group; Events on the Loose; Nüage Designs; Sperry Tents; Tech-Tronics; Tidy Coast Event Services; Under Canvas Events; Uneathed Vintage **Catering & Cake** The Gasparilla Inn & Club **Music** Ceremony: Vanderbilt Strings; reception: The Social/Élan Artists **Photo Booth** Anna Lucia Events; MVS Studio Photo Booth