

An Affair to REMEMBER

Tara & Bobby
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Tara & Bobby met accidentally at a white party in the summer of 2007, but by the end of the night they realized they shared a common interest - shoes!

That first interaction led to many more where they realized they had much more in common than just a love of shoes.

On March 12th they were married at St. Margaret Mary Parish in Vaughan. The bride wore a sleek silk satin gown designed by Priscilla of Boston complete with the most important accessory - blue Manolo's! The groom dazzled in a tuxedo designed by Tom Ford, while the maid & matron of honour and best woman stunned in steel gray dresses with an open back and crystal broach finish. The tone of the wedding was set with the elegant invitations finished with crystal embellishments from L&S Invitations & Gifts. The gray and crystal theme was the inspiration behind the bride's dazzling bouquet made entirely of crystal broaches - some borrowed and some new. The bouquet was constructed and designed by the talented Lisa Mannella of Primavera Flowers & More.

Guests were received at the Bellvue Manor where the lobby was transformed into a formal cocktail reception complete with an oyster & vodka bar, vintage wine & cheese bar, and worldly food stations. It was adorned with white drapery courtesy of Special Event Drapery. The theme continued through

to the place cards detailed with crystal borders set atop champagne flutes. The doors to the main dining room were opened at 7pm where guests were breath-taken with the spectacular finishes. From the long rectangular tables, topped with rich silver damask table clothes, and the silver chiavari chairs, to the mirrored box centerpieces that stretched end-to-end filled with velvety white hydrangeas; the elegance of the room shone. Primavera Flowers completed all of the floral décor and arrangements for the event where over 1000 hydrangeas were used to create the captivating look. All the special moments were captured by Angelina of Michael Francis Photography who the bride and groom chose for her unique ability to encapsulate the emotion of the day through the lens of her camera.

After a delicious meal created & prepared by the Bellvue Manor complete with wine pairings for each course, guests were invited to enter the Scott & Cigar Lounge where specialty scotches and cigars were served. Late night pass-arounds ensured no guest left hungry, with mini ice cream cones, cheesecake lollipops, macaroni & cheese and chocolate dipped strawberries circulating. As a special treat, guests were handed a parcel of decadent chocolate chip cookies baked by Andee's Sweet Treat as the valet brought their cars up to the entrance as a 'sweet ending' to a magnificent evening.

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