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It's hard to believe that Amy Davis and Douglas Flanzer were engaged just six months. Their perfectly personalized destination wedding on Lake Tahoe looks like it could have taken years to pull together, yet it took this super-organized duo hardly any time at all. "Doug was very

involved in the planning—I would not have married him otherwise!" jokes Amy, a 30-year-old retail buyer. The couple, who both grew up on the East Coast, met through a mutual acquaintance when Amy moved to San Francisco, and dated for three-and-a-half years before Doug, a 32-year-old director of engineering, proposed. The wedding brought together 140 family and friends from both coasts for a celebration that was as alive with color as it was with joy.

**THE INSPIRATION** "We wanted the event to feel festive," Amy explains. Inspiration came from an unlikely source: "I had seen shower curtains that were made of streaming colorful ribbons, and those influenced the décor," the bride says. Ribbons of all sizes and styles, though mostly in orange and pink, creatively enhanced the Plumpjack Squaw Valley Inn from the bouquets to the tabletops.

**THE CEREMONY** Amy and Doug said "I do" standing beneath a huppah on the deck beside the resort pool. The huppah, made by the mother of the bride, featured loose ribbons hanging down on three sides. Ribbon was also tied to the back of each guest's chair, and as guests entered they were handed pink or orange yarmulkes and a "ribbon flag," with a long piece of ribbon tied to the end of a wooden dowel.

**THE CEREMONY DECOR** Arrangements of gerbera daisies adorned the



chairs that lined the aisle, and the ring bearer made his way down with a ring pillow made of green Kermit mums.

**THE GOWN** Amy walked down the aisle in a strapless, A-line gown adorned with beading and a bow at the high waist by Richard Glasgow. She picked up the fun wedding color scheme by wearing fresh orange roses in her hair, which was styled in a classic chignon.

**THE BOUQUET** Amy carried a mix of seasonal flowers, including roses, peonies, and calla lilies, in pink and orange hues. The stems were elaborately wrapped with—you guessed it—matching ribbons.

**THE RECEPTION DECOR** Pictures of Amy and Doug—from baby pics to more recent snapshots—mounted on pink and orange paper were displayed in the space where the dancing and cake-cutting took place.

**THE INVITATION** Letterpress invites with a modern, pink typeface were clothed in bright orange envelopes—the first clue of the vibrant wedding palette. The programs also incorporated the same look.

**THE BRIDESMAID LOOKS** The maids wore coral-colored, knee-length dresses from J.Crew and their footwear was even more emblematic of the wedding's light-hearted style: green platform flip-flops!

**THE FORMALWEAR** Doug and his four groomsmen wore light tan suits from Banana Republic. The groom wore a shirt with hot pink stripes and an orange tie with pink polka dots; his brother and friends wore green-striped shirts with pink ties.

**THE TABLES** Tables were named for different streets Amy and Doug had lived on throughout their lives. Amy's mom created the bright orange silk dupioni tablecloths, with an added layer of cascading ribbons, for the head table and the family tables. Each chair back was tied with ribbons, and even the napkins were tied with hot pink ribbons.

**THE CENTERPIECES** "We kept them at a low height to make conversation easy," Amy explains. A lush border of pink, orange, and green flowers. >>

EMMA AND JEFFREY SAUND  
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were surrounded by square boxes filled with wheatgrass. Above the tables, the high ceiling was draped with billowing white fabric and twinkling lights, with a large paper chandelier hanging at the center.

**THE PLACECARDS** Guests found their seats on flags pinned to brightly colored miniature silk and satin elephants. "I discovered the elephants at a hotel called The Sukhothai in Bangkok," Amy explains. "I had often traveled there for work and loved the elephants they left on your pillow each night." She emailed the hotel and was able to have 200 custom-made for the wedding.

**THE FAVORS** Guests could grab a quick sugar rush at the candy bar, which was set up with brightly colored treats and takeout containers for guests to fill up and take with them.

**THE CAKE** The four-tiered, hexagonal cake was surrounded by fresh limes and had flowers in pink, orange, and green between each tier. How to make each piece (whether a bittersweet chocolate layer cake or classic cheesecake) a perfect match? Each slice was served with scoops of cantaloupe and raspberry sorbet. —Kate Wood

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