

Cosmo Bride UK



the couple

Bride and groom Nikole Ramsay, 36, photographer, and Jason Furnari, 38, photographer.
Date 5 April 2007.
Ceremony Port Melbourne Yacht Club, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.



Over the blue seas



After a romantic proposal in London, Nikole and Jason returned to Australia to tie the knot beside the ocean...

In the beginning The couple met in 1988 at RMIT University in Melbourne. "It wasn't love at first sight," reveals Nikole. "But there was a chemistry that we both felt straight away." At a course camping trip, the pair became friends and started going out a year later. However, after university they lost touch as Jason moved to London and Nikole went travelling.

In 2000, Nikole ran into an old friend who was still in touch with Jason and details were exchanged. Months had passed when Jason emailed Nikole to wish her happy birthday. "It was such a surprise," says Nikole. "I remember the excitement of seeing his name on my computer screen after all those years of no contact." Some emails and long phone calls later, Nikole asked Jason to be her date for a wedding in Queensland, Australia. "We spent a week together in Byron Bay and it was all on again," says Nikole. "I moved to London to be with him permanently in 2001."

The proposal Jason popped the question in September 2006. "It was 11.30pm and Jason asked if I wanted to go for a drink," reveals Nikole. "I thought it was a bit odd, but we went out for coffee. Afterwards we went for a walk along the river – there was no one around and it felt like London was all ours for the evening. We ended up on the Millennium Bridge, where he asked me to marry him. We had been talking about getting married for a while and I knew he had bought the ring, but the moment still caught me by surprise!"

the outfits

Bride Nikole's gorgeous silk and organza A-line dress with layered petals on the skirt was by Sarah Treble (www.sarahtreble.co.uk). "Some of the petals were hand dyed to reflect the different shades of blue in the sea," says Nikole. In her hair, she wore a flower made from silk and peacock feathers by Bridget at





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Bailey Tomlin (www.baileytomlin.com). Nikole completed her look with silver heels from Zara (www.zara.com) and a pair of earrings from Topshop (08451 214519).

Groom Jason wore a navy pinstripe suit from Versace, a white shirt from Ermenegildo Zegna and a polka-dot neck scarf from Ted Baker, all bought from Selfridges (0800 123400). He also wore shoes from Kurt Geiger (www.kurtgeiger.com).

Bridesmaid Nikole's best friend from school, Cath, was her bridesmaid. She wore a turquoise dress from a boutique in Australia.



the details

Place names These were designed by Jason and printed by xxxxx (xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx).

Cake Nikole and Jason had a gorgeous cubic chocolate mousse cake topped with whipped vanilla cream icing by Elizabeth at Ciocolata Bella (www.ciocolatabella.com.au).

Best wishes Brett Currell also provided a 'wishing tree', which guests were able to hang messages on for the happy couple.

the reception

Venue The couple also held their wedding reception at the Port Melbourne Yacht Club (www.peterrowland.com.au). "As we live in London it was tricky to choose a venue from afar," says Nikole. "We looked online and made a shortlist of places in Melbourne, then asked friends and family to help us choose by visiting the venues. I'm a wedding photographer so I had a good idea about the kind of feel I wanted to create for our day."

Beautiful flowers "Our florist drew on an old technique of making handmade roses out of gladioli petals all layered together," reveals Nikole. "These were also mixed with silver suede leaves which had a blue/silver look to them." All the flower arrangements were by Brett Currell (www.brettcurrell.com.au).

Main photos by Sujon Photography (www.sujonphotography.com.au).

Additional photos of the venue/table settings by Tania Savage Photography (www.savagephotography.com.au)



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