



At Casa del Mar, everyone was greeted with another cocktail hour before adjourning to the reception. In lieu of regular place cards, seat assignments were attached to sets of personalized stone coasters, which also served as favors. Inside the ballroom, the tall centerpieces of white roses were mirrored by three-dozen tightly packed "kissing balls" that hovered overhead. An eight-course meal paired with wine and French champagne was served, including two types of wedding cake. One was sliced from the couple's traditional wedding cake, a seven-foot tall design by Sylvia Weinstock, which was completely covered in sugar shells and starfish. Guests also indulged in their own personal groom's cakes made in fourteen different ocean-inspired designs.

The dance floor, which was painted with a fleur de lis and the newlyweds' shared monogram, was the ideal place to work off the incredible feast. The after party began at one o'clock in the morning, boasting a late-night menu inspired by the Fourth of July. Cigarette girls dressed in thematic costumes distributed red, white, and blue candies, and each guest received yet another miniature cake in honor of the holiday.

Not long before the sun was to rise, Heather and Ryan were given a storybook sendoff. With sparklers in hand, their guests waved farewell to the newlyweds as they rode away in a horse-drawn carriage.

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