

September 2 • Truckee

katie
&
chris

engaged: about 1 year

photography by The Youngrens
at The Ritz-Carlton, Lake Tahoe



THEIR STORY

BRIDE Katherine Witmer, 31, sales development specialist for Vera Bradley **GROOM** Christopher Jones, 41, senior director of inventory, planning and deployment for Vera Bradley **HOW THEY MET** At work **WEDDING STYLE** Katie and Chris let their Lake Tahoe setting inspire their day's color palette, mixing natural and earthy tones like white, greens, creams and browns.



"All-white flowers with hints of green and cream are so elegant," Katie says of her bouquet, which consisted of white garden, standard and spray roses, scabiosa flowers and touches of dusty miller and green vine. She knew that she wanted a lace dress: "There is something feminine and vintage about lace that screams simplicity but also maturity," she says.



KATIE
&
CHRIS



The bridesmaid dresses continued the lace motif from Katie's dress and matched the day's colors. The ladies held smaller versions of Katie's bouquet, while the flower girls were given ribbon "wands." "My bouquet was wrapped with burlap ribbon plus a lace overlay from my mom's wedding dress," Katie recalls.





Katie and Chris were the first couple to have a tented reception at The Ritz-Carlton, Lake Tahoe—perfect for their outdoor-themed wedding. “The reception was under a sailcloth tent with open sides that looked out to the mountains and runs of Northstar,” Katie says.

KATIE & CHRIS'S WEDDING INGREDIENTS

CEREMONY & RECEPTION SITE The Ritz-Carlton Lake Tahoe, Truckee

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CONSULTANT Merrily Wed ★

FLOWERS Bellissima Floral ★

OFFICIANT Pastor Chip Larson

GOWN & VEIL Priscilla of Boston, San Jose

HAIR Laura Seegmiller/Salon Bella Vita

MAKEUP Jennifer Ergut Makeup

SHOES Kate Spade

WEDDING RINGS Edwards Jewelry & Imports

EARRINGS Edwards Jewelry & Imports

BRIDESMAID DRESSES Anthropologie

FORMALWEAR Stephen Geoffrey, Jim's Formalwear

INVITATIONS Crane & Co., The Quill

OTHER STATIONERY DIY; Michaels

RENTALS Tent, farm tables, Adirondack chairs,

wine barrel bar: Zephyr Tents; linens: La Tavola;

tableware, chairs: The Ritz-Carlton, Lake Tahoe

CATERING The Ritz-Carlton, Lake Tahoe

MUSIC Ceremony: Avalanche Acoustic Duo;

reception: Busta-Groove

ACCOMMODATIONS The Ritz-Carlton, Lake Tahoe

REGISTRIES Crate & Barrel ★; Macy's ★;

Pottery Barn; Williams-Sonoma ★

HONEYMOON Le Méridien Bora Bora

GUESTS 130

BUDGET \$\$\$\$ (see key, p. 2)

