

# susi & brian

LAKE TAHOE • August 27

photography by The Youngrens  
at FitzHaven







#### the tablescapes

Wheatgrass planters nestled with low centerpieces and wine-bottle table numbers created a varied display.

#### the bridesmaid bouquets

Colorful dahlias and roses popped against the charcoal dresses Brian's sisters wore. (They stood with the groomsmen, also in charcoal, during the ceremony.)



#### the cake

A bunting-flag banner hung above the simple, feminine fondant cake.

#### the first dance

The couple took to the floor to "Can't Take My Eyes Off You" by Lady Antebellum.



**THE BRIDE** Susi Steidlmayer, 34, associate director of human resources at Ernst & Young LLP

**THE GROOM** Brian MacKenzie, 38, managing director at KPMG LLP

**HOW THEY MET** Through a mutual friend

**THEIR ENGAGEMENT PERIOD** 13 months

**THEIR WEDDING STYLE** Susi and Brian wanted to create an inviting atmosphere for their guests, so they chose a warm, varied palette of raspberry, soft pink and orange with a few punches of green and light turquoise. Subtle rustic accents kept the look natural to fit with the stunning surroundings of Lake Tahoe. —Susan Waits





**the bridesmaid looks**

Each maid chose her favorite silhouette of the rhubarb-colored dress.

**the lounge area**

Pastel pillows decorated the outdoor lounge.

**the details**

Susi adorned the bridal party's dinner chairs with the hanging aisle arrangements from the ceremony.



**the centerpieces**

White pitchers held an array of open blooms.

**the reception décor**

Bright paper lanterns and an elevated olive tree brought life to the reception tent.

**the boutonniere**

Already in bright, striped ties, each guy wore a simple, single white rose.



**SUSI & BRIAN'S  
WEDDING INGREDIENTS**

**CEREMONY AND RECEPTION SITE** FitzHaven,  
Lake Tahoe

**PHOTOGRAPHY** Jeff and Erin Youngren/The  
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**CONSULTANT** Merrily Wed

**GOWN AND VEIL** Monique Lhuillier, Bridal  
Galleria, San Francisco

**HAIR** Laura Seegmiller/Salon Bella Vita

**MAKEUP** Jennifer Ergut/Kiss & Makeup

**SHOES** Badgley Mischka

**JEWELRY** Earrings, bracelet: Haute Bride

**BRIDESMAID DRESSES** Amsale, Bella Bridesmaid

**FORMALWEAR** Groom's suit: Burberry,  
Bloomingdale's, San Francisco; ties: Robert  
Talbott, Carmel

**STATIONERY** Paper Sky

**FLOWERS** Sara Spurlock/Bellissima Floral

**RENTALS** La Tavola Linen; Celebrations! Event  
Rentals and Tents; Zephyr Tents; Wine Country  
Party & Events

**CATERING** Moody's

**MUSIC** Ceremony: Jeff Campbell and Megan  
Slankard; reception: DJ Chapin, We Ain't Saints

**CAKE** Katie Cakes

**ACCOMMODATIONS** The Ritz-Carlton,  
Lake Tahoe

**HONEYMOON** South Africa and Mauritius

**REGISTRIES** Bloomingdale's; Heath Ceramics