

Jess & Damien

After a whirlwind romance, Damien and Jess bought a house together. They were holidaying on the New South Wales Central Coast when Damien suggested a stroll along the beach. Jess was none the wiser until they stopped to sit down and Damien pulled out a ring!

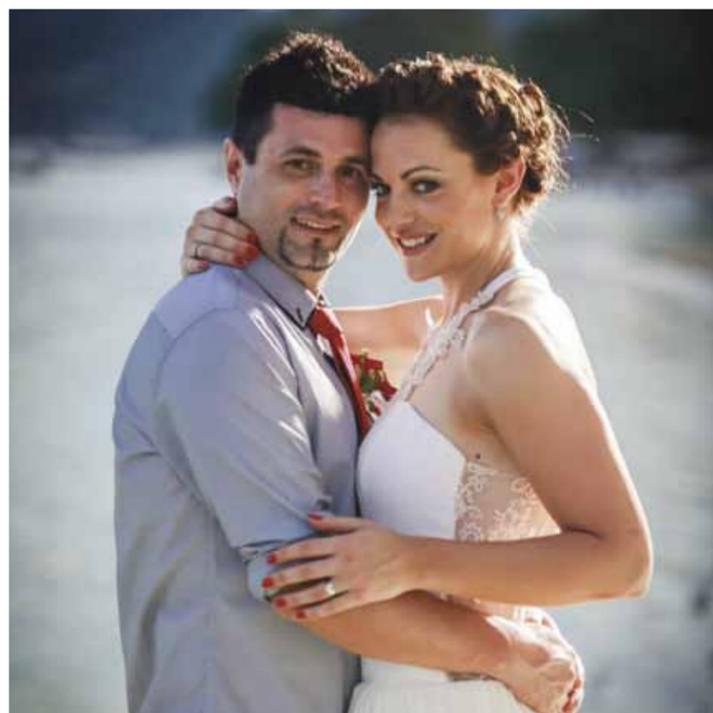
The couple had considered a wedding in Melbourne, but the more they thought about it, the more they realised that the 'big white wedding' just wasn't them.

"We wanted something relaxed and intimate, with our closest family and friends," says Jess. "We couldn't think of a better way to celebrate than being on holiday in a tropical destination. We felt it would be a more memorable event not just for us, but for our guests too!"

After choosing Thailand as a destination, they met with Angela at Wedding Destinations. "Thailand just spoke to us," says Jess. "It's a stunning place with the most beautiful, big-hearted people. We were also keen for warmth and sunshine. Angela went through different venues with us, and after listening to us she suggested that the Sareeraya Villas & Suites in Koh Samui would be perfect."

The couple chose a unique colour palette of red and aqua, celebrating after the ceremony with a Thai buffet.

"The venue staff did an incredible job with the flowers and table settings, and the food was amazing," says Jess. Following the ceremony they released lanterns into the night sky together. Their wedding package also included a fire dance show that had everyone in awe.



Photographer: Chusakun Tappasoeth and Adam Pollard
Wedding Planner: Wedding Destinations
Dress: Fabric from Clegs in Melbourne – made by Sue Spierings
Groom's attire: Tarocash and Hurley
Bridesmaids attire: Susanne Kitson, dressmaker
Groomsmen's attire: Tarocash and Hurley
Hair: Hair piece from Etsy with extra detailing by bride
Makeup Artist: Sally Esser, makeup used "Motives by Loren Ridinger"
Ceremony location: Chaweng Beach – at the front of the Sareeraya Villas & Suites



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