



instant fireworks

Rebecca Twigley and Chris Judd

CAROUSEL, ALBERT PARK, VICTORIA

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THE COUNTDOWN TO A WEDDING TAKES ON A WHOLE NEW LEVEL OF EXCITEMENT WHEN THE BRIDE AND GROOM DECIDE UPON A NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION. FIREWORKS FILLED THE MELBOURNE CITY SKYLINE WHEN MODEL REBECCA TWIGLEY WED HER FOOTBALLER BEAU CHRIS JUDD, WITH THE COUPLE DESCRIBING THEIR BIG DAY AS ONE "MASSIVE PARTY".



THESE PAGES With Chris waiting under a wooden arch decorated with floating white fabric, crystals and white hydrangeas, Rebecca walked down the aisle to a stirring a cappella version of Florence and the Machine's 'You've Got the Love'. ♡ To tie in with the fragrance that the bridal party wore, Rebecca and Chris' female guests received Narciso Rodriguez scented candles as thank you gifts whilst the men received Narciso Rodriguez aftershave emulsion.

♡ Rebecca's bouquet was an amazing arrangement of white rose and pale pink peonies, whilst her bridesmaids carried pink peony bouquets to complement their soft flowing gowns.

♡ Dinner tables were decorated with white carnation balls teamed with mirrors, crystals and romantic candlelights. Crystals and bud vases filled with flowers were suspended from the roof above the bridal table to tie in with the floral chandelier. ♡ With rose buds and carnations placed in between each layer, the couple's incredible wedding cake was inspired by Rebecca's art deco gown.



The iconic Carousel overlooking Albert Park Lake was the perfect venue for the high-profile nuptials, with a unique mix of glamorous indoor and outdoor spaces created by The Style Co. And while Rebecca had been with Chris for more than seven years, she admitted to an attack of the nerves as she prepared to make her entrance at the ceremony.

"I didn't know how I'd go seeing Chris when I walked down the aisle, so I snuck a few peeks at him through a crack in the door while my bridesmaids were walking in and it really settled me seeing him there," she said.

As Rebecca walked in, it was Chris's turn to catch his breath, with his bride looking breathtakingly beautiful in her tight beaded corset which cascaded into a layered skirt containing 1000 metres of fabric. The gown was made by Rebecca's best friends, Jacob and Anthony, at J'Aton Couture. "I originally wanted one sparkly wedding dress but the boys insisted that I needed a white princess dress for the ceremony and could have the sparkly dress for the reception. If you can't wear a big white dress on your wedding day then when can you?" she laughed.

Rebecca's bridesmaids also wore J'Aton Couture floor length gowns in shades of dove grey, lilac and white. "The skirts were sheer and sexy which was aimed at accommodating the hot summer weather and the fact that the wedding was more of a party vibe than a traditional, conservative wedding," Rebecca explained.

Following a heartfelt ceremony, guests milled on the deck enjoying oysters and Veuve Clicquot. While she adored wearing her wedding gown, Rebecca was relieved to change into her sexy, mermaid cut evening dress and jewelled Jimmy Choo flats after the official photographs. "Being 10 weeks pregnant in a 30 kilogram, corseted wedding dress in 40 degrees, my lower back was aching and I had to take the ceremony dress off earlier than originally planned."

After a formal dinner indoors catered by food&desire, curtains were opened to reveal a room transformation; the outside deck of Carousel had become an open-air candlelit night club complete with white lounges, mirrored plinths and spectacular white flower arrangements. "The foyer contained a circular mirrored open cocktail bar with a massive dance floor where Chris was waiting for me for our first dance," Rebecca explained.

The couple danced to their favourite song, Bob Dylan's 'Lay Lady Lay', beneath a striking fresh floral chandelier centrepiece. This chic decoration had been at the top of Rebecca's wish list when planning her wedding. "All of the guests commented on how original and amazing it was with its white hydrangeas, LED lights and hanging crystals," Rebecca said.

"The reception was everything we wanted it to be- the room looked amazing, the food and beverages were first class, the music was pumping and our guests had an absolute ball. We loved how we really embraced the New Years Eve party vibe and the wedding wasn't too traditional - we have had so many comments from our guests saying that it was the best wedding they have ever been to!" ♡



Menu

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ENTRÉE

Cinnamon roast duck breast, broadbean feta puree, salad of green and white asparagus, peppered dried wild figs

MAIN COURSE

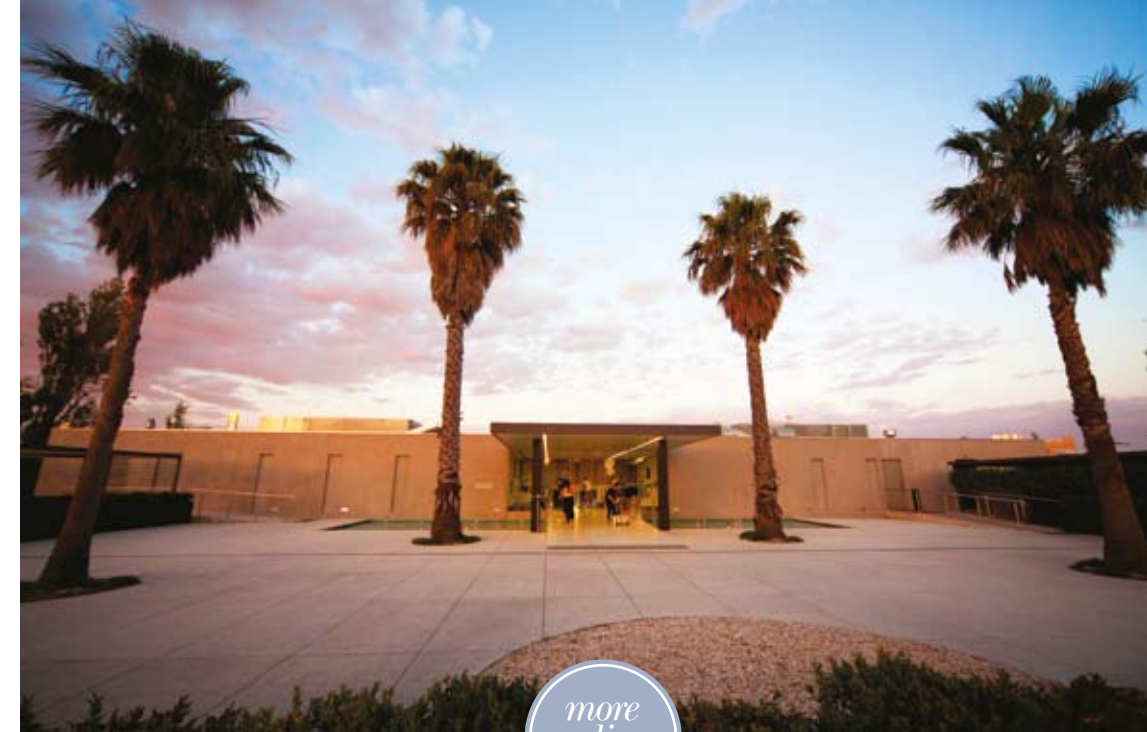
Crispy skin ocean trout rubbed with za'atar, silverbeet, pinenut and currant filo bourek, lemon tahini dressing with tzatziki
Young lamb, baby vegetables pickled and confit, feta foam and fennel salt

SWEET BOWL DISH

Warm self saucing chocolate pudding
Summer berry pudding, vanilla yoghurt foam, fresh berries, strawberry crumble

SUPPER

Croque monsieur, Mini hot dogs



"Chris and I looked at each other in the eyes as we said our vows - it was so emotional"

Rebecca

THESE PAGES "Rebecca came to us with a clear vision..... I loved it", said Marie Cruz from The Style Co. "We decided upon a 'White and Chic' theme and changed the decorations on the Carousel deck three times throughout the night to add an element of surprise. My favourite was the last deck change - a beautiful outdoor lounge area with flickering candles, large floral arrangements and mirrored tables, set against the New Year's Eve fireworks. I loved working with Rebecca, not only was she so easy going but she knew what she wanted and she trusted our style," said Marie.



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