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WHEN BOY MEETS GIRL


Max Loong and Sepideh Haftgoli found love when they were least expecting it. He went away, they talked everyday until he got back, and then they finally became one with *the one* in a spectacular Balinese ceremony in June. We're sure you'll agree that they are still basking in the glow of that wonderful day.

PHOTOS JOEL LOW PHOTOGRAPHY






"Meeting Sepi for the first time was one of those moments where you could say it was love at first sight. The connection was instant."



"I knew I was in love with him the moment
my family loved and accepted him.
He's charming, down to earth and thoughtful.
Max is always getting me flowers, planning
getaways, and surprising me in so many ways
when I least expect him to."



"I love how goofy Max can be; it was one of the first things I noticed about him. But I love his romantic side even more. The day we married was the best day of my life."



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BIOSMETIQUE & CHANEL
JEWELLERY SEPIDEH'S
GOWNS EXCEPT FOR THE
FIRST ONE, ALL OTHERS
FROM RICO-A-MONA.
SUIT MAX'S
FLORAL ARCH & BOUQUET
FLORAL MAGIC

**SEPIDEH
& MAX**

Sepideh Haftgoli, film and television producer, lifestyle and travel blogger, as well as former Miss Iran, and Max Loong, Fly Entertainment artiste, host, actor and co-owner of several establishments in Singapore, Zurich, Bali and California, had a travel-themed, cliff-side wedding at Khayangan Estate in Bali, Indonesia, earlier this year.





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- 1 Sepi and her bridesmaids.
 2 The invites resembled passports, and seating arrangements were printed on "boarding passes". 3 The ring pillow. 4 Guests came from all over the world.
 5 Sepi had a lush, cascading bouquet.
 6 The bridal party.

OPPOSITE

"Max is the most romantic of men. He's a planner, is very thoughtful, and has impeccable taste," says Sepi.



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THE BEGINNING We first met at Fig & Olive, one of our favourite restaurants in Los Angeles in the US. We were both by the bar when we started chatting. Max was leaving the country the next day, so we talked on the phone for about two weeks after we met, and just got to know each other better and better. Once he returned to LA, we were inseparable. The rest is history.

FAIRY-TALE PROPOSAL Max proposed at the iconic Hotel du Cap-Eden-Roc on the French Riviera in the south of France. Shortly after sunset, we were supposed to be heading to →



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"SEEING MAX AS MY HUSBAND FOR THE FIRST TIME, I FELT OVERJOYED AND EMOTIONAL. I KNEW THAT THIS DAY WOULD CHANGE MY LIFE FOREVER."

Sepideh

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dinner at a restaurant in the hotel. Just as I was pointing out that we were going in the wrong direction, I saw a walkway scattered with red rose petals. Max led me to a ledge on a cliff overlooking the ocean, looked into my eyes and said to me 'when you know, you know', and that the past year and a half had been the best part of his life to date. He expressed how much he loved me, and eventually got down on one knee to propose. It was so dreamy and romantic!

AROUND THE WORLD As travel has been a major part of our lives together, we decided on a travel theme for our reception at the Hidden Hills Villas, which is owned by Max's family. We had passport-style invites, door hostesses dressed as Pan Am stewardesses at a check-in desk, and seating arrangements in the form of boarding passes that showed the country of departure of each guest and Bali as the destination. We also had a huge arrival/departure sign with the names of various countries. For favours, guests received white Balinese beaded boxes containing a Buddha keychain, soap and magnets from different parts of the world. →

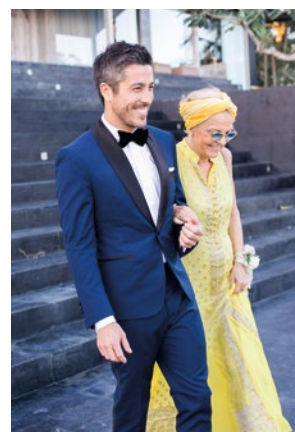


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- 7 The cake was a simple creation with white and pastel pink roses. 8 The elegant table setting with white Balinese beaded box favours containing more goodies. 9 Max and his mum. 10 Sepi's bridesmaids with the most adorable flower girl in a poufy dress. They wore dresses they'd picked out themselves. 11 Traditional fans provided relief from the tropical heat.

OPPOSITE

The solemnisation.



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WEDDING ALBUMS





12 & 13 Fairy lights adorned the venue.
14 Blissfully married!

OPPOSITE

"The happiest, most memorable moment for me was when we were reciting our vows. It felt like it was just us, with no one else around. The words we said to each other were beautiful and will forever live in our memories," says Sepi.



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AS WE'RE BOTH FILM AND TV PRODUCERS, OUR WEDDING HAD TO BE ENTERTAINING

We had saxophone and trumpet players for our march-in, a six-piece jazz band, fireworks in the middle of our first dance, a video that included a same-day edit, a segment honouring Max's late father, and a clip Max's cousins put together for us, as well as a performance by about 20 Balinese Kecak dancers. We also played *Shots* by LMFAO to signify the transition into party mode while glowing tequila shots were handed out as pyrotechnics went off around around the stage.

ELECTRIC LOVE The mood was romantic, entertaining, fun and emotional. We wanted to make sure it was a great party with free-flow drinks and great company. The ambience was electric and happening, with lots of love in the air.

TOGETHER FOREVER I feel so happy that we are united forever. We have always been a team, but we are now one more than ever. I know I have my best friend and partner in life to brave the ups and downs with. I couldn't imagine anyone else I'd rather start a family with. **W**

VENUES

Wedding: Khayangan Estate in Bali (www.khayanganestate.com); welcome party: Hidden Hills Villas (www.hiddenhillsvillas.com); beach party: Karma Kandara (www.karmagroup.com).

CELEBRANT

Tracy K (www.baliblissscelebrant.com)

PHOTOGRAPHY

Katie Grant (www.katiegrantphoto.com)

CINEMATOGRAPHY

The Big Films (www.thebigfilms.com)

WARDROBE

Gown and veil: Inbal Dror (www.inbaldror.com); shoes: Jimmy Choo (www.jimmychoo.com); dressing robes for sepi and her bridesmaids: Silkandmore (www.etsy.com/shop/silkandmore); Flower girl's dress: Olivia Kate Couture (www.etsy.com/shop/OliviaKateCouture); Hair accessories: Elegance At Hand (www.etsy.com/shop/EleganceAtHand).

HAIR & MAKEUP

Bride: Pedro Sanchez Boutique Coiffeur (www.pedrosanchez.ch); bridesmaids: My Touch of Beauty by Ade Az (www.facebook.com/My-Touch-Of-Beauty-by-Ade-Az-989166111100874/).

STATIONERY

Pola Artistry (www.pola-artistry.com)

WEDDING BANDS

Kurz Schmuck Trauringe (www.kurztrauringe.com)

DECOR & SETTINGS

Rentals: Bali Event Hire (www.balievethire.com); cutlery, plates and glassware: Clink 'N Toast (www.instagram.com/clinkandtoast); flower props: Kaata Booth (www.instagram.com/kaata.booth); custom large globe: Consider the World (www.etsy.com/shop/ConsiderTheWorld); custom mini globe: DovieLou (www.etsy.com/shop/DovieLou); vintage suitcases and European postcards for guestbook: HouseofMadcap (www.etsy.com/shop/HouseofMadcap); travel magnet favours: LilandJill (www.etsy.com/shop/LilandJill).

CAKE

Butter Bali (www.butterbali.com)

CATERING

Dijon (www.dijon-bali.com)

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PYROTECHNICS

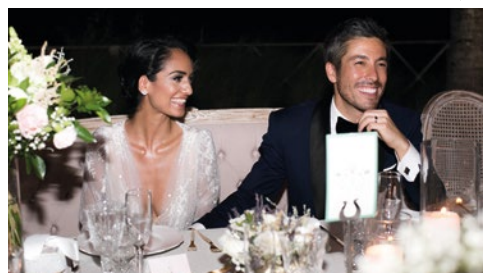
Elite Sounds Bali: www.elitesoundsbali.com/elite.php

ENTERTAINMENT

Eva Scolaro & Band (www.evascolaro.com); DJ: Stevie G; emcee: Bobby Tonelli (www.instagram.com/btonelli).

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