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# PAM and TONY



A TWO-DAY WEDDING MARRIES  
INDIAN TRADITIONS AND  
CONTEMPORARY DESIGN.

## » JET-SETTING ROMANCE

Pam Singh first caught Tony Papp's eye in 2010. The two both worked in the medical field and knew each other professionally, but didn't get a chance to really connect until a coworker casually invited Tony to Pam's birthday. The pair hit it off and a jet-setting courtship ensued. Tony proposed in Finland where the travel loving couple were vacationing at the time. After a romantic rowboat ride under a full moon, the two retreated to their lakeside cabin where Tony popped the question.

## » PLANNING

The couple's traditional Indian wedding took place on May 17, 2014 and was followed by a Western celebration the next day. It was important for Pam and Tony to host two different weddings that represented their individual backgrounds and cultural traditions. Christie Lang of *DreamGroup Productions* was hired to provide full-service planning for the occasion.

## » INVITATION

Raquel Do of *InspirAsian Creations* designed the stationery for the event, including the beautiful burgundy and ivory-coloured wedding invitation. Featuring a romantic Indian-inspired pattern and an elegant script font, the invitation set the tone for the dual celebrations.

## » FASHION NOTES

Pam wore a traditional red and gold bridal lehenga with crystal embellishments from *Wellgroomed Designs Inc.* for the Indian ceremony. She accessorized with custom-made jewellery from *High Heel Obsession* and gold Jimmy Choo heels from *Holt Renfrew*.

She wore a strapless Jim Hjelm gown from *Isabelle's Bridal* for the Western ceremony and a form-fitting dress by Marciano for the dance portion of the reception. Elsa Corsi of *Jewellette* designed her jewellery for the second day that included a sparkly statement necklace made with Swarovski crystals. Pam paired her ivory gown with a classic pair of black Valentino bow pumps from *Holt Renfrew*. Hedy Marie styled the bride's hair and makeup.

Tony wore a traditional sherwani from *Wellgroomed Designs Inc.* for the Indian wedding and a custom Ermenegildo Zegna tuxedo from *The Tux Store* for the Western celebration.



» AUTHENTIC INDIAN WEDDING

The couple's traditional Hindu ceremony was hosted in the The Salon at the *Renaissance Vancouver Harbourside Hotel*. The room boasts an ornate, red and gold carpet that perfectly matched the event colour scheme. The aisle was decorated with golden statues of the Hindu god Ganesha. The statues were placed on tall, gold pillars and adorned with floral garlands. Pam and Tony's Mandap (the traditional wedding stage) was beautifully draped in rich red and gold fabric.

Round dining tables were covered in red and gold damask table linens for the couple's authentic Indian reception. Pam and Tony were seated in

throne chairs on an elaborate, elevated stage. The stage was decorated with gold lanterns, candles, and lush floral displays filled with red blooms.

Renaissance Vancouver Harbourside Hotel catered a delicious Indian buffet. Guests were treated to a performance by singing duo *Freedom and Leela* and danced the night away to music provided by DJ Jason Kamoh of *Royal Roadshow*.

The couple's beloved dog Mason was included in the wedding festivities.



Evan Orion of *FLOWERZ* orchestrated the floral and decor for both celebrations, and worked in conjunction with Sunny Kainth of *Sunam Events* on the design of the Indian festivities.



After the ceremony, the couple took photos around downtown Vancouver and were chauffeured to different locations in a pedicab from *Cruise Cab*.



» TRADITIONAL CHRISTIAN CEREMONY  
The couple's traditional Christian ceremony was hosted in the Promenade of the *Rosewood Hotel Georgia* with floral and decor by *FLOWERZ*. A white aisle runner was lined with white flower petals. The ceremony area featured floral arrangements placed on mirrored pedestals. Reverend Jukka Joensuu, Tony's pastor, acted as officiant and a classical string quartet from *Musical Occasions* played throughout.

» SWEET FINALE  
Paula Lyons of *Aeyra Cakes* created a cupcake tower for the occasion that was topped with a white mini cake. The cake featured silver quilt detailing and a crown of white peonies.

Rosewood Hotel Georgia catered a memorable meal that included a dessert buffet with mini donuts and a late night snack station with an assortment of pizzas.

After dinner, DJ FreeLance of *Girl on Wax* had the dance floor packed. *Photobooth Vancouver* set up a black and white photo booth so guests could take home a keepsake of the wedding. In addition to photographing the wedding, the team at *Leanne Pedersen Photographers* captured the entire event on film.

Pam and Tony followed their day with a honeymoon in Greece where they explored Athens, Santorini, and Mykonos. The couple currently reside in Vancouver where Pam is Director of Clinical Operations at ASC Vancouver Surgical Centre and Tony is a doctor at Vancouver General Hospital acting as the Medical Director for the BC Professional Firefighters' Burn Unit.



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» SPECTACULAR SETTING

Event designer Evan Orion of *FLOWERZ* transformed the *Rosewood Hotel Georgia's* Spanish Ballroom into an all-white, fairytale-like setting for the couple's reception. Round guest tables were adorned with a mix of tall and low floral arrangements filled with white blooms.

The couple's breathtaking, mirrored head table was the focal point of the room. The centre of the table featured a towering floral arrangement made with mounds of soft pink and white flowers. The table was decorated with a runner of floral arrangements, crystal candelabras, and twinkling candles. White damask linens and silver charger plates completed the dramatic tablescape. "The head table was my favourite design detail of the day," says Pam. "Evan is fantastically creative and a lovely person to work with."

A white dance floor was framed with modern, white furniture from *Loungeworks*. Above the dance floor a custom gobo light projected the couple's name onto a wall.

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