

theresa & ken

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the cake

Theresa and Ken worked butterflies into their wedding motif. Purple-and-white sugar candies cascaded down their smooth, buttercream cake.



their story

Theresa Telebrico (28 and a registered nurse) and Ken Nuarin (28 and a web programmer) grew up together and have always been friends. When Ken left for college, a part of Theresa felt empty; soon she found out Ken felt the same way, and they started dating. Eight years later, Theresa and Ken took a weekend getaway to Desert Springs. After they checked in, they went off to explore the resort and by dusk, they wound up sitting on a bench near one of the private lakes. That's when Ken pulled a ring out of his pocket and completely surprised Theresa by asking her to marry him. —JD



the bouquets

Theresa wanted lots of color and requested no white in the bouquets. She and her girls carried bundles of purple roses, orchids and tulips.

the invitations

Theresa and Ken chose a stationery studio that subsidizes 75 percent of their electric power from solar panels. They softened the dark-purple border with a light, pretty illustration of flowers, butterflies and birds.

the ceremony décor

The ceremony took place on the church's altar, between two large manzanita branches draped with beads, dahlias and orchids. >>

the bridesmaid looks

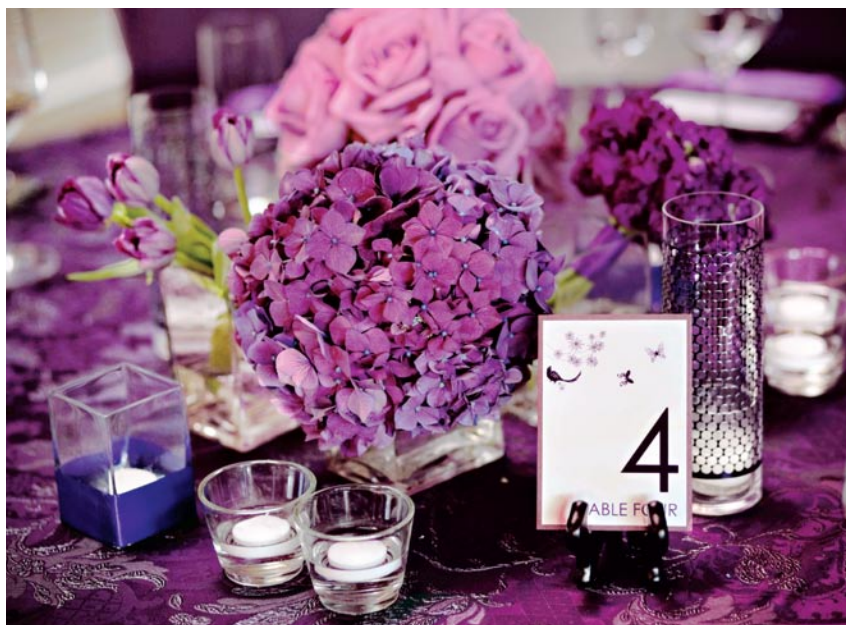
The girls wore floor-length, ruffled dresses with black satin ribbon around their waists. Theresa's two maids of honor stood out in eggplant while the two bridesmaids wore lilac.

the escort cards

Theresa and Ken printed guests' names on rectangular card stock. They applied Swarovski crystals to each card to indicate guests' entrée choice. For the display, Ken built four wooden boxes and stained them ebony. Inside, he set down pieces of green bamboo as a bed to hold the escort cards upright.

the centerpieces

Sticking with nonmatching purples, the couple chose various blooms for the centerpieces, including tulips, hydrangeas and roses. They were arranged in glass vases of varying shapes and textures. >>



their style

Rather than worrying about one or two exact shades of purple, Theresa and Ken decided to use many variations of the hue, which worked perfectly with their reception venue's eclectic vibe.

the shoes

Theresa wore pale-pink sandal heels with gray feathers and beading on the back.

the reception décor

The couple chose a bright purple ribbon to wrap around the eggplant-hued napkins.

the reception

SmogShoppe's brick walls had just the urban space Theresa and Ken wanted. Paper lanterns lightened up dark linens and lilac suede chairs. Theresa's favorite episodes of *I Love Lucy* were projected on one wall during dinner for a funny and personal touch.



their ingredients

CEREMONY SITE St. Augustine Catholic Church, Culver City, (310) 838-2477

RECEPTION SITE SmogShoppe, Los Angeles, (310) 837-3610

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FORMALWEAR Calvin Klein, Men's Wearhouse, Marina del Rey, (310) 305-1381

STATIONERY Tiselle Letterpress + Design, Los Angeles, (626) 354-3669

FLOWERS The Mille Fiori, Culver City, (310) 837-7800

RENTAL EQUIPMENT Classic Party Rentals, Culver City, (310) 202-0011; BBJ Linen, Los Angeles, (310) 204-0363; Chameleon Chair Collection, Hawthorne, (310) 973-8200

CATERING Beacon, Los Angeles, (310) 838-7500

MUSIC Ceremony: Pianist Allan Sims and soloist Rachel Rillorta (friends of the bride); reception: Blu Note Entertainment, Beverly Hills, (323) 559-4979; DJ Orbit, Los Angeles, (626) 672-5903

PHOTO BOOTH SnapShotz Photobooth Rentals, Los Angeles, (866) 987-4689

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