



Real Wedding Story of Jack & Yasha Anderson

23rd August 2019 | Historic Ballroom | 55 guests

How did you meet?

We met in America while travelling. My brother met Jack while he was over there first, I then came to join him and met Jack. From there we became very good friends. I was living in New Zealand and he was in Perth so it was a bit of effort to do long distance. We would take turns going to visit each other, even meeting half way in Sydney sometimes. It wasn't always easy but it was always worth it!

The proposal?

We were on holiday just before Christmas in Sydney. We went out to dinner, after we went for a walk through the Botanical Gardens. We were sitting looking out over the city at all of the lights when Jack got down on one knee and popped the question!

What theme or style would you describe your wedding?

Our wedding didn't really have a theme as such. More of a colour scheme, which was navy.



Describe your wedding ceremony (location, cultural & personal elements)

Our ceremony was held at our church nearby. It was so beautiful and personal, we had all of our friends and family there. Our friends sang and played the piano while I walked down the aisle which was just beautiful. We also had a haka, which was very special as Jack is half Maori and I'm from New Zealand. It was very emotional and added a touch of culture for both of us.

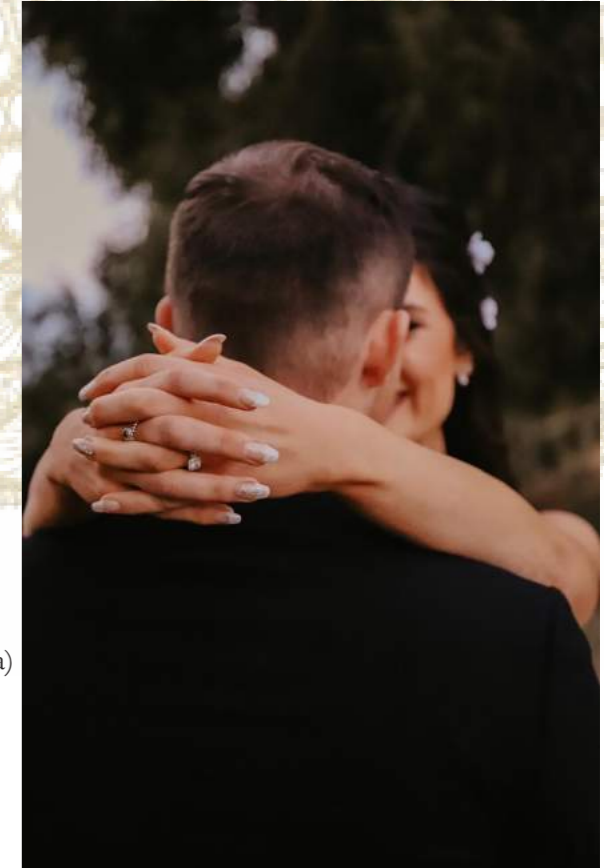


What was your favourite part of the day?

My favourite part of the day was when the celebrant officially announced us Mr and Mrs Anderson. Doing long distance is not always easy, we had many barriers to overcome. Planning a wedding can be stressful enough, without both being in different countries. The thing that always got us through was focusing on the future and what we were creating for ourselves and our relationship. Many, many times we would focus on imagining that moment, it was what got us through the hard times. So to hear her (the celebrant) actually say it in real life was the most emotional and yet powerful moment. I felt like we really made it, and we can do absolutely anything together now!

Words of wisdom for future Wedding Couples?

Don't sweat the small stuff! Leading up to the wedding there are many things to think about. I would say, relax and let Quin (Pagoda Resort & Spa) and her incredible team do their thing. They really took care of everything! I couldn't have been more happy. On the day, none of the little things you were worrying about matter, to you or to anyone else. You are so happy in the moment and enjoying yourself. So I would suggest, don't stress, just enjoy your special day!



Describe your day in 3 words? "Romantic, emotional and special"



Supplier Recap

Bridal Gown: Bridal and Ball NZ
Suits: H&M
Bridesmaid Dresses: Pagani
Rings: Micheal Hill
Flowers: The Flower Run
Cake: We actually chose not to have cake, as I don't personally like it. We ordered the wedding doughnuts from Krispy Kreme and then arranged them with white fake flowers from Big W as well as a cake topper. It was delicious and everyone loved them.
Photographer: Mel Murphy
Videographer: We had a family friend who makes videos- Joshua Tindall
Reception Venue: Pagoda Resort & Spa
Stationery: Big W
Hair & Makeup: Nicole (NikkiO Make Up Artist) was booked through Flayr
Other: Spray Tan- KDeez Tan

