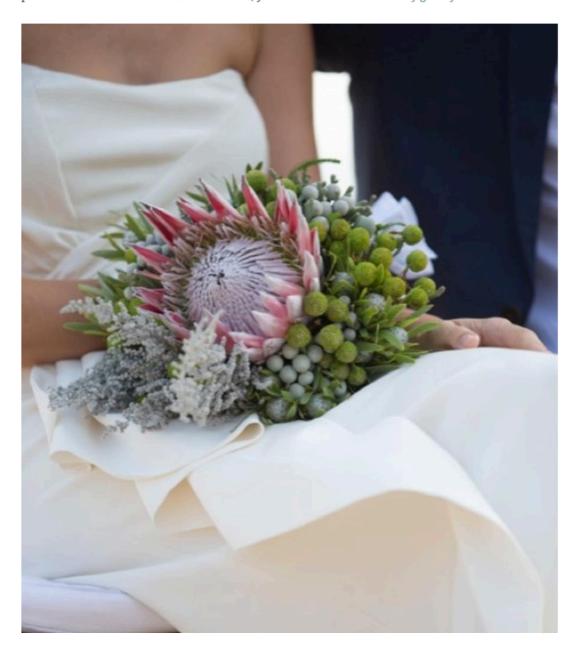
HONG KONG BEACH WEDDING

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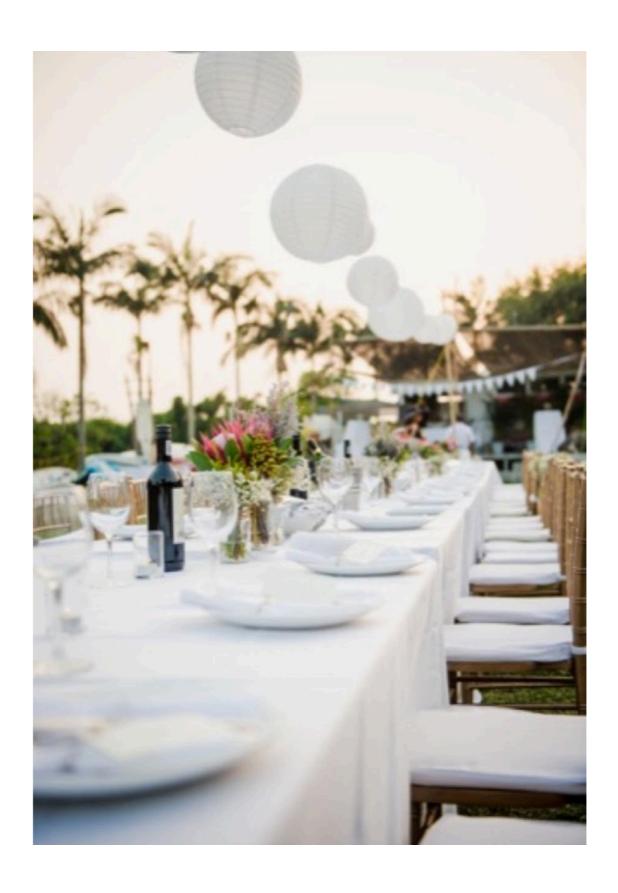
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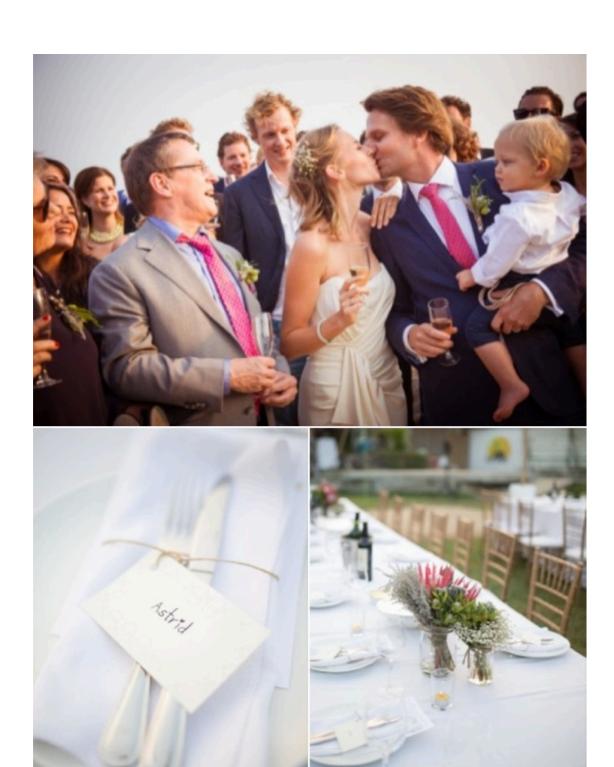
This Hong Kong fete right here? It's everything a beach wedding should be. A laid back celebration on the sand, King Proteas for a pop of color and palm trees for days. Bliss Creations planned the soiree to perfection and with Derek Ko behind the lens, you can kick back in one lovely gallery!

















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From Bliss Creations... Bride Noortje and Groom Rutger met while at university in the Netherlands, moved to South Africa for a few years when they were dating, and finally ended in Hong Kong as an engaged couple ready to celebrate their union. They wanted a wedding that "perfectly reflected their lives in Hong Kong" while still showing some of their history in other parts of the world.

The day started on a secluded beach on Lantau Island in Hong Kong, just steps away from the couple's home. After an intimate ceremony and cocktails on the beach, the guests moved to a nearby beach lounge and had a sit down dinner on the lawn. A family style dinner, live guitarist and speeches from the parents of the couple gave a romantic atmosphere. "We lived in South Africa for a few years before moving to HK, and thus wanted to incorporate some of that into the wedding. We had a spitroast of lamb and King Protea flowers in the bridal bouquet and other arrangements. Also, we used South African wines and champagne," says bride Noortje of incorporating the couple's time abroad into the wedding.

After dinner the party moved onto two private boats which whisked everyone away to Central Hong Kong where guests partied until late in the night while overlooking the infamous Hong Kong skyline. "For the Hong Kong touch, we had a traditional lion dance when we got to the pier in Central," she adds.

The couple wanted to ensure that it was a very special event incorporating their time together. "Being on the beach, seeing how beautiful everything and everyone looked was the most special part of the day. Having people from all our walks of life there to celebrate this day with us – we had 36 people flying in from all over the world. All these people, combined with the presence of our HK friends, made it truly special." Guests commented that it was an amazing, unique day and reflected Noortje and Rutger's lives perfectly.

The couple knew that they had a complex wedding, even though it looked effortless. "I loved the fact that there we so many components but it all felt very natural, I don't think the guests realized how much could have gone wrong, so very it was a successful planning and execution from Bliss Creations. Guests commented on how everything was arranged into such details, they all felt pampered," says Noortje.

The couple honeymooned in Phu Quoc, Vietnam for four days following the celebrations.
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Flowers (Cape Town) Wedding Dress: Hitched! After Party: Pier 7 Ceremony / Dinner Venue: Palm
Beach Groom Suit: Jantzen Tailor Wedding Rings: De Beers

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