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July 4 • Mt. Pleasant, SC

chelsey
&
matt

engaged: about 1 year

photography by Dana Cabbage Weddings
at Creek Club at l'On



THEIR STORY
BRIDE Chelsey Bahlmann, 31, a PhD student **GROOM** Matthew (Matt) Bollinger, 30, a private banker **HOW THEY MET** On Match.com **WEDDING STYLE** Chelsey and Matt threw a festive Fourth of July celebration that featured patriotic red, white and blue details. —CH

Lush arrangements of dahlias, garden roses, thistle and poppies gave Chelsey's out-of-the-box bouquet a ton of texture. For the signature cocktail, the couple treated guests to Matt's home-brewed beer, topped with American flag bottle caps.



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In lieu of a wedding cake, Chelsey and Matt served an assortment of pies and tarts. One patriotic detail we can't get enough of: Matt's celebratory blue-and-red bow tie that popped against his suit's contrasting lapel.





Striped linens topped each table for a look that was thematically chic. At the end of the night, the newlyweds made their exit through two rows of sparklers—the quintessential Independence Day touch—then hopped in a vintage speedboat.



CHELSEY & MATT'S WEDDING INGREDIENTS

- 🏠 **CEREMONY & RECEPTION SITE** Creek Club at I'On, Mt. Pleasant, SC 📷 **PHOTOGRAPHY** ★ Dana Cabbage Weddings 📋 **CONSULTANT** Posh Petals and Pearls 🌸 **FLOWERS** Branch Design Studio 📖 **OFFICIANT** Philip Melton
- 👗 **GOWN** Theia, BleuBelle Boutique, Savannah, GA 💇 **HAIR & MAKEUP** ★ Paper Dolls Wedding Hair & Makeup 🎀 **HEADPIECE** Branch Design Studio 👠 **SHOES** Kate Spade New York 💍 **ENGAGEMENT & WEDDING RINGS** D. Geller and Son **JEWELRY** Earrings: Loft; bracelet: J.Crew
- 👰 **BRIDESMAID DRESSES** Dessy; J.Crew 🧥 **MENSWEAR** TheBlackTux.com
- 📧 **INVITATIONS** Minted.com 🏠 **RENTALS** Fabulous Events; Snyder 🍽️ **CATERING** Creek Club at I'On **DESSERTS** Whole Foods Market 🎵 **MUSIC** The Cattle in the Cane/ ★ Charleston Virtuosi
- 🎁 **FAVORS** ForYourParty.com; Haymarket Designs 🚗 **TRANSPORTATION** Classic Boat Charleston 🏠 **ACCOMMODATIONS** The Mills House; Wyndham Garden Charleston Mount Pleasant 📦 **REGISTRY** MyRegistry.com ✈️ **HONEYMOON** Couples Swept Away, Jamaica
- GUESTS** 80 **BUDGET** \$\$ (see key, p. 8)

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