



Karina and George

In the heart of Toronto, at the charming Italian eatery Buca, Karina Khan and George Mavroidis first crossed paths, igniting an undeniable connection that quickly evolved from a work relationship into a heartfelt romance. Karina, of Russian and Korean descent from Kazakhstan, and George, a Toronto native with Greek roots, found in each other true soulmates despite their diverse backgrounds. Their journey of love led them to a magical proposal at Italy's Lake Como, where George surprised Karina with a dreamy pavé diamond ring from Tiffany & Co amidst the stunning backdrop of Villa Balbianello, perfectly capturing the essence of their enchanting love story.

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The couple's dream of being married outdoors, surrounded by natural splendor and expansive skies, led them to choose THE QUAD AT HART HOUSE.

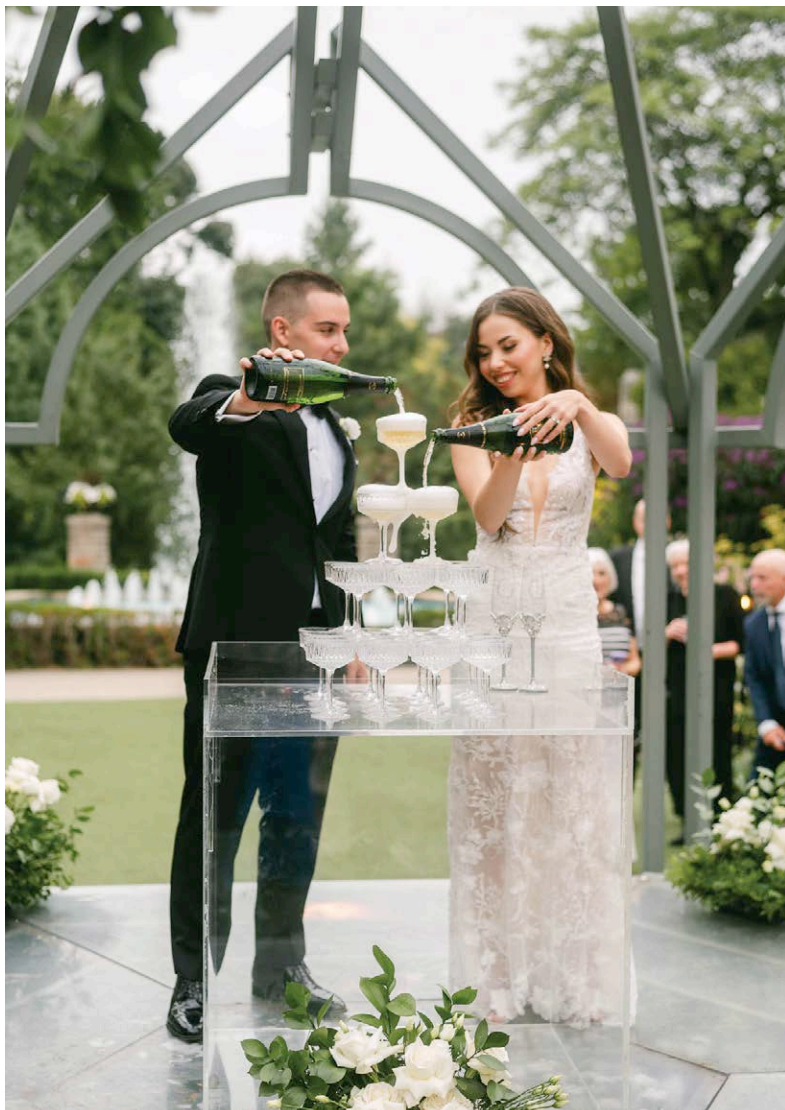
"As the wedding day approached, concerns about Toronto's unpredictable weather lingered in our minds," explains George. "However, fortune smiled upon us, and the sun graced our special day with its radiant presence. It was a day of sunshine, more breathtaking than we had ever envisioned."

Month-of event planning services were provided by Marjan Afzaly of PETALS AND PEARLS.



That's AMORÉ

For the reception, the couple wanted to bring a slice of Italy to Toronto. "Italy holds a special place in our hearts, especially because we got engaged there," explains George. With this in mind, the couple chose to have their reception at Toronto's magnificent castle, CASA LOMA, which they envisioned as an enchanting Italian Garden. "Our vision was crystal clear: we aimed to create an outdoor cocktail space adorned with a cozy lounge area where guests could relax, soaking in the Italian ambiance while savoring wine and enjoying live music.



Karina donned two stunning gowns on her wedding day. The first was a Princess-style ballgown crafted by Adi Shlomo. Transitioning into the reception, she exuded a different allure with a gown by Milla Nova.



Completing both of Karina's looks were a pair of Chanel pearl earrings, a delightful surprise wedding gift from George.

George wore a tuxedo by Canali, complemented by an Armani bowtie and pocket square, Dior shoes, and a MontBlanc watch.

LOVE Sweet LOVE

A highlight of the wedding was the magnificent 2-meter cake, meticulously designed and crafted by Karina's mother to encapsulate the essence of the Italian theme. More than just a dessert, it stood as a symbol of the love and dedication poured into creating a truly unforgettable day.





FIORI & FAMILIA

Inspired by their deep affection for Italy and its enchanting aesthetics, the couple fashioned their celebration in the theme of an Italian garden, opting for classic white and green hues in the floral arrangements to embody their vision. Surprisingly, all the floral arrangements became a family endeavor, meticulously crafted by the couple and the bride's parents. "We dedicated an entire week before the big day to bring our dream to fruition, employing over 5,000 flower stems," shares Karina. "It truly became a 'blooming' family affair!"



The menu featured Italian cuisine, including classic dishes like Caprese salad, Mushroom Ravioli, and a delightful gelato cart to conclude the evening.



Credits

BRIDE @karinamavroidis GROOM @georgemavroidis
BEAUTY AND HAIR @makeupbyanhelina
WEDDING GOWNS @adishlomo.bridal from @sashandbustle
(Ceremony) and @millanova (Reception)
CAKE @bake.a.dream
CEREMONY VENUE @harthouseuoft
CEREMONY FLORAL ARCH & CANDLES @peachwoodevents
ENTERTAINMENT AND AV @solepower
FLORAL DESIGN Karina, George, and their families
FURNITURE RENTALS @detailzfurniturerentals
GROOM'S FORMALWEAR @Canali from @harryrosenin
MONTH-OF PLANNING @petalsandpearls
OFFICIANT @enduringpromises
PHOTOGRAPHY @515photoco
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