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JENNIFER BLASS & MIKE BIRNBREY

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Ceremony & Reception: The Ritz-Carlton, Buckhead
Photography by The Decisive Moment

THE COUPLE A true family affair, the couple met via a blind date set up by the groom's sister, the original Jen Birnbrey, and the rest is history. Mike wanted both sets of families present at his ultimately romantic proposal, which is why he popped the question at his parents' house while his future fiancée's parents were hiding upstairs.

THE PARTY The elegant event was drenched in gorgeous white hydrangeas, roses, lisianthus, peonies and more, which set the perfectly romantic mood that the couple wanted to emulate. The bride radiated elegance on the aisle at the ceremony in an Anne Barge gown and danced all night in her sparkling shoes by Jimmy Choo. Event planner extraordinaire Suzanne Reinhard organized every detail from locking down high-energy band the Atlanta Showstoppers to coordinating the chic florals by Bold American Events.

WHAT THEY LEARNED "It is imperative to have a wedding planner to keep you organized and to remain as stress-free as possible," says the bride. "Plan and accomplish as much as you can way in advance so nothing is left for the last minute to keep your stress level down. Most importantly, have fun and don't sweat the small stuff!"

THE HONEYMOON The newlyweds jetted off to Belize to relax at two of the Francis Ford Coppola Resorts, Blancaneaux Lodge and Turtle Inn.

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Blushing Bride Bold American Events paired lush blooms of hydrangeas, roses and lisianthus with the textural greenery of eucalyptus and plumose for a centerpiece of blush and ivory that radiated elegance.

From top: The groom donned a classic black-and-white tuxedo from Ralph Lauren, while the bride glowed in an embellished, strapless gown by Anne Barge that was complemented by her bouquet of peonies, garden roses and lisianthus; Jewelry Artisans provided the happy couple with dazzling one-of-a-kind wedding rings.



From above: Guests noshed on tiny tacos and mini-margaritas prepared by The Ritz-Carlton, Buckhead's talented team; on her big day, Jennifer walked down the aisle in a pair of sparkling Jimmy Choo pumps.



WEDDING RESOURCES

Wedding Planner Suzanne Reinhard, suzannereinhard.com
Florals Bold American Events, boldamerican.com
Videographer Adam Siegel, Siegel Films, siegelfilms.com
Bridal Gown Anne Barge, Buckhead Bridals, buckheadbridals.com

Bride's Shoes Jimmy Choo, jimmychoo.com
Bride's Hair & Makeup The Moore Agency, themooreagency.net
Groom's Attire Ralph Lauren, ralphlauren.com
Wedding Rings Jewelry Artisans, jewelryartisans.com
Catering The Ritz-Carlton,

[Buckhead, ritzcarlton.com](http://Buckhead.ritzcarlton.com)
Entertainment Atlanta Showstoppers, atlantashowstoppers.com
Something Borrowed The bride wore her sister's hair clip.
Getaway Guests released confetti bombers as the newlyweds left the venue and headed to their honeymoon.