



SKY HIGH Trevor whisked Emily away on a seaplane from Sydney's Rose Bay, and proposed to her on a private beach. He presented her with a custom-designed engagement ring from Larsen Jewellery. 'Larsen liked the ring so much they asked for it back for product photography, and you can now buy it on their website! Trevor thinks he should get commission,' says the bride.

stylist's tip
Succulents make a modern addition to a vintage-themed bouquet. Combine the soft green leaves with heritage blooms in pastel hues.



Emily McCarthy & Trevor Major

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When Emily, 32, and Trevor, 35, worked together as consultants, he would regularly stop by her desk to chat. When travelling with work, he began bringing her the pillow chocolates from his hotel rooms. They were out for drinks with colleagues when he asked her on a first date. 'The rest,' says Emily, 'is history!'



DREAM DRESS Emily chose an ivory lace dress from Essense of Australia, which suited the couple's 'vintage travel' theme to a tee. 'I really wanted that classic, vintage look,' she says. The venue, Terrara House Estate, was also a perfect match. Blooms in soft hues of pink and green were stationed at the top of the outdoor aisle, and the couple incorporated maps and travel quotes throughout the ceremony. 'We had both mums read travel-related poems – Dr Seuss' *Oh, The Places You'll Go!* and a Tolkien poem from *The Hobbit* – my favourite book,' says the bride.

stylist's tip
If you or your bridesmaids choose dresses with a statement feature at the back, wear an up 'do to show it off.

PRETTY MAIDS The bridesmaids wore pastel-hued dresses with a 1940s feel that were made from scratch by Emily's talented mum. 'We made the unique design out of a number of patterns put together,' says the bride of the knee-length silk creations with cowl back. 'Each one was slightly unique to fit each bridesmaid and they were in three colours – light pink, light blue and light green. I wanted something that would fit each of the bridesmaids and flatter their figures.' Plus, she says, 'pastels really suited the venue.' Emily's mum also made dresses for the two flower girls and the bride chose silk flowers for their flower crowns so they weren't too heavy.

EMILY & TREVOR



stylist's tip

The prop possibilities for a travel theme are endless. Think globes, maps, stacked vintage suitcases and invitations designed like tickets.



the couple's suppliers

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TRAVEL BUG For the reception, the couple chose a pale blue, pink and green pastel colour scheme, inspired by old maps. 'We tried to theme all decorations around this idea,' says Emily. 'My mum and I made flowers and pinwheels out of old maps we collected. I also bought a tag-shaped cutter and made individual tags with funny, travel-themed quotes for each guest to get the conversation started.' The couple had a custom poster created featuring the venue and wedding date. 'We now have it hanging in our house,' says Emily.

SWEET IDEA Inside the reception marquee, table settings were marked with small chalkboard hearts. Bomboniere took the form of local honey pots with personalised labels that were bought on Etsy and designed at Vistaprint. The bride used travel props throughout, from stacks of vintage suitcases to a globe, and table numbers wrapped in old maps. Guests enjoyed a sit-down meal of shared platters.



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