



SARAH BELL-LANGFORD FRANK QUINN

They met by chance in an Irish pub and the very next day Frank was introduced to Sarah's family...so began a beautiful love story. Their wedding was a stunning celebration on Starship Sydney; an elegant world class wedding reception complete with an array of chandeliers from Chandeliers To Die For.



ON THE DAY he proposed, Frank arranged to pick Sarah up early from work. "He said there was a very important work function on at McKell Point which I thought was very convenient, considering it was a short walk from home," she says.

They took a taxi there and walked down to the park together, admiring the beautiful warm evening, vivid sunset and ocean view. When Sarah saw what lay before her – a picnic spread complete with seafood platters, cheese plates, three silver champagne buckets with bottles of Verve, scattered chocolates and long stem red roses. "Looking at the extravagance of the picnic I thought for a moment that I'd forgotten Valentine's Day – then I realised that it was December! And then, Frank got down on one knee," says Sarah.

He told her that he loved her more than anything in the world and gave her a magnificent diamond ring. "Of course, I said 'Yes!'. It was the best decision I have ever made," says Sarah.

Frank is from Ireland and Sarah from England so they knew, from the outset, that their wedding would be an international affair. It seemed fitting to celebrate on the world-famous Sydney Harbour and Starship Sydney was the perfect choice. The vessels offered 360 degree views, an elegant indoor/outdoor space and the ideal canvas for Sarah's styling choices.

Sarah had spent years collecting inspiring images from celebrity weddings but still, when she stepped onto Starship she was in awe of the beauty created by stylist Anthony Del Col. "When we hired Anthony all our stress turned to excitement. He's a thorough professional who brought our vision to life. He was marvellous," says Sarah.

The second floor cocktail area and surrounding deck provided the perfect area for guests to mingle at the start of the night. Twenty very grand and lush flowering plants were placed on the deck and cocktail area, accompanied by posies of flowers and tea lights. >



LUXURIOUS DETAILS

Crystal chandeliers, enormous crystal table centre pieces and beautiful floral decorations created a colourful, sparkling look and ensured a harmonious style throughout the reception space.

Sparkling chandeliers were a must for Sarah and she sourced hers from Chandeliers to Die For. “They only use high quality, full lead crystal and supplied the matching crystal table centrepieces,” she says. Indeed, the main wedding banquet area and dance-floor was absolutely dazzling thanks to ten crystal chandeliers in a range of sizes. The most elaborate was a three metre chandelier that hung above the dance-floor and reached the lounge area above. The room sparkled with crystal and candlelight, complemented by stunning floral arrangements on each table. Florist Maria Lush took Sarah and Frank to the markets at 5am one morning to choose their favourite blooms, an experience that ensured each arrangement was exactly what the bride and groom envisioned.

Earlier in the day Sarah and Frank wed at the beautiful Kincoppel Chapel at Rose Bay. Sarah wore a delicate and whimsical gown from Corston Couture featuring an embellished crystal belt and big, beautiful bow at the back. Her bridesmaids wore custom made dresses in a festive shade of fuschia.

For the newlyweds the highlight of the entire day was the opportunity to share it all with their beloved family and friends. “The majority of our guests travelled from overseas – England, Ireland, America, Dubai, Sri Lanka, India and Spain – we are so greatly humbled by their generosity and love,” says Sarah. “Everyone that we love and care for was in one room and we danced, laughed and celebrated till midnight.”

Photographer Evoke Photography Bride's gown Corston Couture Groom's attire Chorleys Wedding and Formal Specialists Ceremony Kincoppel Chapel Celebrant Father Doherty, Rose Bay Church Reception & catering Starship Sydney Event Planner Anthony Del Col Event Styling Samira Gideon Lighting Chandeliers To Die For Pty Ltd Entertainment Brown Sugar Cake All Courses Elite Catering Florist Maria Lush Transport Roll Up In A Rolls Hair Fabulous Hair Up Makeup Susie Ayoub Makeup Plant & prop rental The Greens Department

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