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**THE INVITE** The simple square invitation perfectly fit the theme of the wedding—white, clean, and fresh—just like spring.

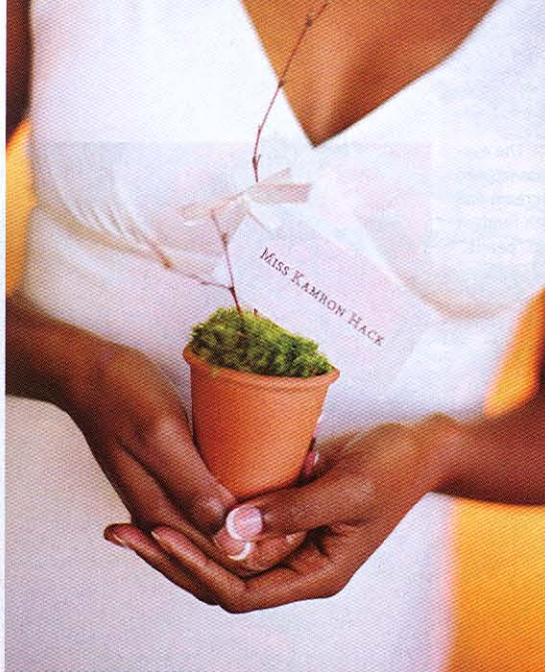
## spring fling

SUZANNA & DAMON • MARCH 11 • SANTA BARBARA, CA



It was love at second sight for Suzanna Yip and Damon Hack. Although no sparks flew at their first rendezvous (arranged through friends), they felt obligated to give each other one more try. It's lucky they were both open-minded, because on that second date the two stylish urbanites (she's a 32-year-old fashion director; he's a 35-year-old journalist) realized that they had a lot in common, and chemistry to boot. A little more than four years later, the couple spent the holidays in Damon's hometown of Los Angeles. After a quiet dinner at the Malibu outpost of Nobu, Damon got down on one knee on a favorite beach and asked Suzanna to share the future with him. Soon, they started planning a wedding that perfectly captured the freshness of spring. —*Celeste Perron*





**THE BRIDAL BOUQUET**

Suzanna carried white peonies, lilac, gardenias, ranunculus, and champagne roses tied with a white ribbon.



**THE STYLE** To play up the spring season, French tulips in moss-filled terra-cotta pots decorated the reception space.

**THE CAKE** The white fondant swag frosting made the cake look as if it were draped in fabric. The florist added tiny blooming branches, anemones, mint, freesia, and lilac.

**THE FLOWER GIRLS** Two daughters of the groom's best friend wore ivory silk empire-waist dresses with blush-colored sashes. They carried blossoms on their wrists, in their hair, and covering their petal-filled baskets.

**THE ESCORT CARDS** To celebrate the beginning of spring, each escort card was tied to a blooming twig in a tiny terra-cotta pot planted with fresh moss.

**THE GOWN** During the ceremony the bride wore a slim-fitting strapless Reem Acra gown accented by beads and embroidery with a long matching veil. For the reception, the fashionista changed into a more party-appropriate light-weight flowing frock by Elizabeth Fillmore.

**THE BOUTONNIERE** To match Suzanna's bouquet, Damon wore a garden rose, white ranunculus buds, and scented geranium on his lapel.

**THE HAIR** When she removed her veil after the ceremony, Suzanna dressed up her mane with a crystal hairpin.

**THE RECEPTION DÉCOR** The white theme was played out via white chairs, white embroidered tablecloths, and, of course, more white flowers. Not much was needed in the way of decoration, since windows afforded breathtaking views of the Pacific Ocean. Even so, flowers were hung from a massive chandelier for the perfect finishing touch.

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