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Julianne + Sam

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SHADY LANE FARM IN
NEW GLOUCESTER

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Although Julianne and Sam went to the same high school, they didn't actually meet until years later. After graduation, they headed their separate ways—he to play professional soccer in Sweden, she to work in a surf shop in Hawaii—and didn't discover their shared past until a few years later when they reconnected in a coffee shop in their hometown. On their first date they went apple picking, and on their anniversary four years later, Sam proposed among the rows of trees at the same orchard. For their wedding, the couple chose to celebrate at New Gloucester's Shady Lane Farm. The location stood out to them not only for its rustic barn, but also for its chicken coops, vegetable garden, and art studio. "The whole event felt so casual yet significant," says Julianne, who notes that, fittingly, an apple orchard served as a backdrop to their ceremony site. "It was truly like a reflection of us."



Rustic Chic

Color Palette: As an artist, color was extremely important to Julianne. "I wanted the palette to be soft and romantic, but not too feminine," she says. "We went with a beautiful mix of mossy blue-greens and blush tones, with pops of peach and off-white."

Dessert: Dandelion Catering set up a s'mores station with homemade marshmallows and graham crackers.

Something Old, Something New: While the couple eschewed many of the usual wedding traditions, Julianne attended the rehearsal dinner in her mother's wedding gown as her "something old." The day of the wedding, she wore a Reem Acra wedding gown as her "something new" and her mother-in-law's blue sapphire ring as her "something borrowed" and "something blue."





Chloe

Chloe

Leopie

Julianne



“Each person’s place setting had a peach on it, as well as a name card with a watercolor background hand painted by Sam and me.”

“Sam and I knew that we wanted to have a nontraditional wedding,” Julianne says. “We didn’t have bridesmaids or groomsmen, we didn’t sleep separately the night before, and we didn’t tell anyone what to wear.”

