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Laura and her father walk down the foxglove-lined aisle to Bob Dylan's "Main Title Theme (Billy)," one of her favorite songs. OPPOSITE Laura and Kristopher make it official in front of the garland-draped house, which was designed by Walt Disney's personal architect, Bill Clark.



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ETTING MARRIED AT YOUR OWN HOUSE—there is something so magical about that,” remarks Orange County native Laura Vassar of her June “I dos” to Texas-born Kristopher Brock in front of her family’s Newport Beach summer home. The bayfront affair, awash in a palette of muted pinks, lush greens and rich creams, came as a surprise to the 180 guests, who accepted invitations to an engagement party (in the midst of party planning the couple decided to make it a wedding instead). Laura—who, alongside Kristopher, co-designs the elevated American sportswear label Brock Collection—collaborated with dressmaker Geri Gerard on her gown, a timeless A-line silhouette composed of Chantilly lace and organdy, blending tradition and taste.

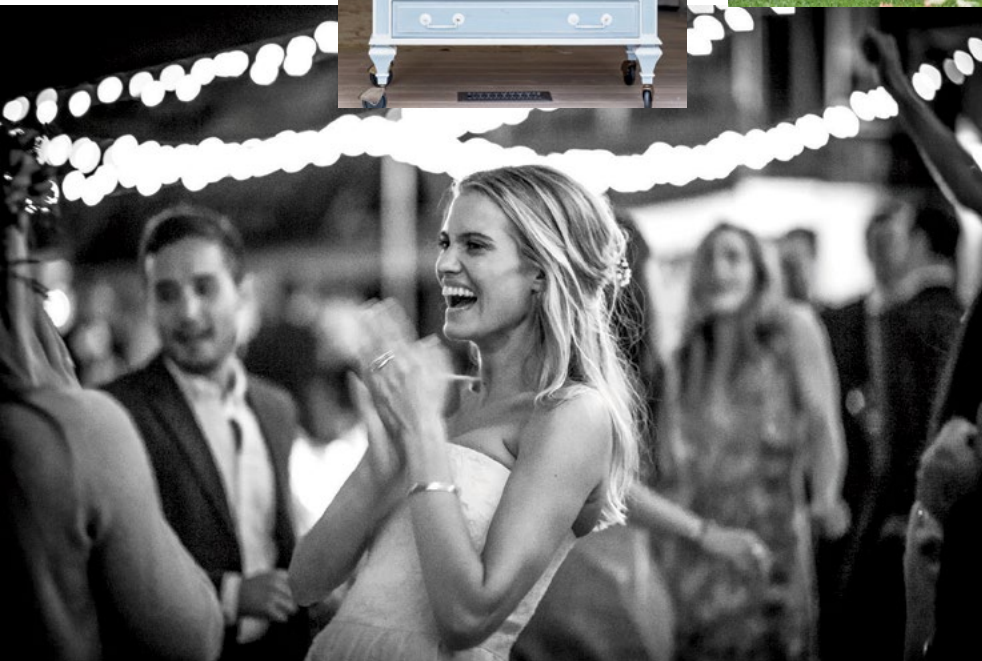
As it happens, Laura and Kristopher’s story also begins with a wedding dress: In 2011, the pair met in a couture class at Parsons, where Kristopher asked his future Mrs. to be a dress fit model for his final project. “I had absolutely no idea he liked me,” recalls Laura. After graduation, the two reconnected while Kristopher was living in Paris; the following year, he proposed after an extended stay with Laura during New York Fashion Week.

The evening unfolded like a storybook, with Laura tossing her bouquet of garden roses out the second-story window, and guests dancing under the canopy of string lights until the early morning hours. Before the night’s end, there was one more surprise: During the cutting of their lemon-and-coconut layered confection, the newlyweds revealed they were expecting. “Our doctor in New York sent an envelope with the sex of our baby to our cake maker, who would then dye it either pink or blue,” Laura explains. (It was blue, and their son, Charlie, was born in December.) Adds Kristopher, “It was amazing, just the icing on the cake.” •

VENUE Vassar family summer home **CAKE** The Confectionist **MENU** Fork, Knife + Spoon
PLANNER Caroline Vassar and Dana Anderson **FLORIST** Dana Anderson **RENTALS** Town & Country Event Rentals **LINENS** Pom Pom at Home **DRESS** Brock Collection **GROOM’S TUX** Gucci
ENTERTAINMENT Sam Johnson Band, DJ Dax



OPPOSITE FROM TOP Kristopher takes the helm as he and his groomsmen arrive to the ceremony via Duffy boat. A Stone Cold Fox robe. An arrangement of garden roses. Guests mingle before the reception while Sam Johnson provides live music.



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT Laura looks out in excitement at the exquisite setting below. "I was up late at night making my dress; it was so hard to keep it a secret from Kris," she admits. A bundle of bridesmaids gifts. Fork, Knife + Spoon servers stand at the ready with Caymus Vineyards wine during cocktail hour. The newlyweds. A candid moment after Kris took the mic to sing to his wife. The buttercream cake sits above a special anniversary cake for Laura's parents.

Laura Vassar and Kristopher Brock
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1 Centerpieces of garden roses, peonies, Queen Anne's lace and scabiosa by Dana Anderson. **2** "We used all my mom's china and silverware, which made everything feel so intimate and special," says Laura of mother Caroline's collection of Meissen dishes, brought out for the reception. **3** A cascading laurel garland by Dana Anderson. **4** Bridesmaids dresses by The Reformation. **5** Brock Collection dress with hand-stitched "something blue" initials. **6** The Confectionist cake topped with a touch of greenery.

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1 Monogrammed napkins serve as place cards. **2** An Emilio Pucci cover-up. **3** In lieu of rice or flower petals, the couple encouraged guests to release a fleet of white balloons. **4** Louis and Erica chartered a boat on Sunday to tour the Bay of Naples. **5** The couple, who work together on the line, gifted each guest a pair of Louis Leeman espadrilles inscribed with their wedding date. **6** Beauty essentials from Santa Maria Novella and Tom Ford.