

# Southern Bride

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TARA  
LIPINSKI'S  
*Dreamy  
Day*

AS SEEN IN

HIGH FASHION  
in HIGHLANDS  
at Old Edwards Inn



# Family Traditions

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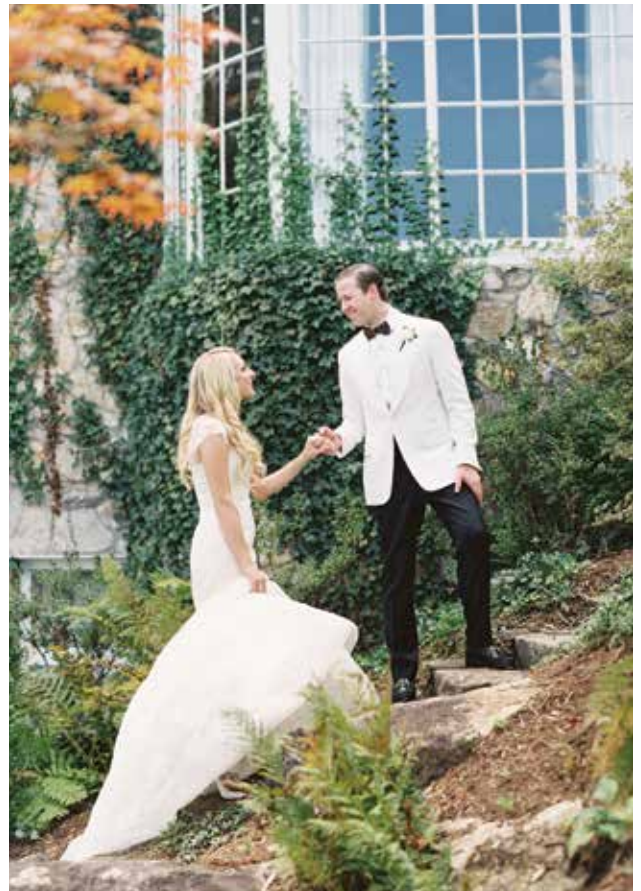


**THE PROPOSAL** In September of 2015, Jack and I traveled to Charlottesville, Virginia for what I thought would be a casual football weekend. Little did I know, Jack had been planning this trip for months, and it was actually our engagement weekend filled with incredible surprises, celebrations, and family! Jack secretly flew in both of our families to witness the engagement. As our parents and siblings peeked through a window, they watched him propose on a private rooftop veranda overlooking the iconic Lawn at the University of Virginia, the very place we met ten years earlier. After our family members rushed out to join in the excitement, we all enjoyed a private dinner at Farmington Country Club planned by my mother-in-law.

**THE PREPARATION** As two traditional, family-oriented individuals, we chose a location that was meaningful to both of us and reflected each of our personalities. We decided to get married in Lake Toxaway, North Carolina, an enchanting oasis where I spent all of my childhood summers, and where Jack and I shared some of our most special moments creating lifelong memories together. It was on the deck of my parent's home in Lake Toxaway that Jack asked my father for my hand in marriage. Our goal was to create a wedding that embodied my hometown of West Palm Beach, Florida in the Blue Ridge Mountains. We envisioned an elegant and classic wedding with old world charm, and the perfect venue for this was the Lake Toxaway Country Club.

**THE BIG DAY** We built a sense of family into every detail and ensured the reception had special touches of both of us. We created an evening of rustic elegance, incorporating traditional and formal elements with whimsical touches. I wore the cathedral length veil that my mother and sister wore on their wedding days, followed by a flower crown inspired by the one my mother wore at her wedding reception. The antique diamond brooch, which I placed in my hair and my earrings belonged to my maternal grandmother. As my "something blue," I wore a beautiful sapphire ring lent to me by my mother-in-law. The hors d'oeuvres and late night snacks were passed on sterling silver trays that belonged to each of our grandmothers. Jack felt a personalized bourbon bar would best represent his Southern roots. A white horse adorned with a floral wreath accompanied guests at our outdoor cocktail hour overlooking the mountains. Elegant displays of deer antlers, all hunted by my grandfather and uncle, were hung on a floral and birch wall holding place cards.

**THE HONEYMOON** Sunday morning after the wedding, we traveled thirty hours to Bora Bora, French Polynesia. Jack and I spent our first week as husband and wife lying on untouched white sand beaches, snorkeling in crystal clear turquoise water, and drinking rosé on the deck of our private glass-bottom overwater hut at the St. Regis resort. Jack surprised me with a private helicopter tour of the island, luxurious spa treatments, and an adventurous day spent exploring the marine life in our own underwater scooters. Bora Bora was a dream destination for us both, and we could not have picked a more perfect place to begin our lives together.







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