

"We placed 'welcome bags' in our guests' hotel rooms which included a few of our favourite Greek treats: Mastiha (greek liqueur), oil cookies, oregano, pasteli (sesame bars), and Greek nougat."

- MELISSA

**THEIR GUESTS TRAVELLED** from all over the world to witness Melissa and Vaios marry on the Athens Riviera.

They celebrated al fresco style in a traditional tavern setting, which they recreated with a classic colour palette of white, navy and gold. Two long banquet style tables, festoon lighting and a live band ensured the evening was beautiful yet relaxed - the perfect vibe for a Greek celebration. A selection of fresh herbs, white blooms and olive leaves in vintage tins decorated the tables and an abundance of candlelight created an air of romance.

Melissa's wedding gown was ideal for the Greek summer; a stunning Berta bridal gown discovered at local stockist Brides by Francesca. "I wanted to look like a modern Grecian goddess and have a dress that sparkled in the sunset as our wedding was at 7pm in the evening," she says. She fell in love with the gown's striking detail, delicate lace and exquisite craftsmanship. "The team at Brides by Francesca were fantastic throughout the entire process and designed a subtle lace addition that I wore for the church service."

She carried a classic bouquet of David Austin roses with olive leaf and wore her dream pair of Aquazzura heels.

The newlyweds and their guests partied till dawn, in true Greek style.  $\boldsymbol{MW}$ 

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