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"SOMETHING OLD" is nothing new at a wedding. But when two design buffs recycle found objects for their nuptials in fresh and incandescent ways, well, that's something altogether different. The pair, who met through friends in 2003, wanted their day to "be pure joy, not stuffy"—but without sacrificing luxury, says Jeremy. The result, an every-detail-counts affair that blended haute elements (gourmet food) with down-home whimsy (a Dukes of Hazzard-themed table), was just that.

Clockwise from top: Beside a sun-dappled pond at the sublime Winvian Resort in Connecticut, Andrew (left) and Jeremy break the glass, one of several Jewish traditions they incorporated into the otherwise secular ceremony. Every table had a different theme; perched atop the "music" table's orange shag carpet is a rack of 8-tracks and a Woodstock LP tucked into a Fisher-Price record player (florist Candi Millard rooted succulents in a retro cork planter and used craspedia to playfully suggest a disco ball). Andrew's family flanks the jubilant couple. The pair couldn't resist campy golden cocktail napkins from Mik-Wright; "we tend to seek a balance between the high and low," says Jeremy. "Pooch of honor" Bosley sports a custom seersucker suit. The "photo" table holds vintage View-Master discs, slide carousels, wooden frames, and a classic camera; larkspur, peach roses, scabiosa seed heads, and craspedia shoot out of the centerpiece's wheat-grass base.



ONE THING I LEARNED

"Don't feel like you have to follow anyone else's plan. And don't stifle your creativity because your idea isn't 'traditional.'"



SOURCES

LOCATION AND CATERING Winvian Resort
EVENT PLANNING Erica Kates & Ambiance Chic Wedding Design
FLOWERS Candi's Floral Creations
CAKE Sweet Maria's
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