

WHAT DOES YOUR DREAM WEDDING LOOK LIKE? WE SHARE THE COOL AND UNIQUE UNIONS OF SOME QUEER BRIDES, PLUS TIPS AND INSIGHTS FOR YOUR BIG DAY.

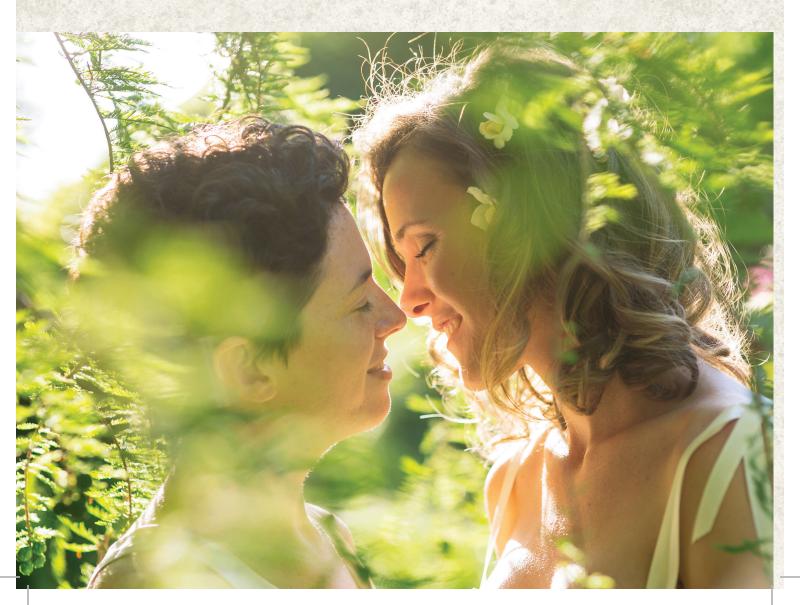


Sara Everest and Kate McConnell's destination wedding.

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ate proposed to Sara on a boat, on the final day of a family camping trip in Maine, but they were wed in Buenos Aires, Argentina on October 31, 2014 after Curve and Fabulous Weddings' social media search for a couple seeking a destination wedding, Laetitia Orsetti of Fabulous Weddings was wedding planner and travel guide, settling the couple into the chic Own Hotel in Buenos Aires' LGBT-centric Palermo Hollywood neighborhood. Kate and Sara were delighted by the locals' hos-

pitality. "Everyone we met raised their glass to us all week, and they had a lovely way of toasting us while looking us directly in the eye (sincere, personal, and necessary if the toasting parties want to avoid bad sex for seven years)," says Kate. Shop Hop BA sourced bridal outfits—a smart blue blazer for Kate and a dress for Sara from LuLu Vintage. Kate discovered that the ring she had proposed to Sara with was an Argentinean aquamarine, while Sara secretly engaged the services of jeweler Yanina Fayur to design a ring for Kate that would complement it. Laetitia took the







couple out to tango, and the next day was an excursion to the lush and flowering Isla el Descanso, an exclusive estate and the location for a garden wedding photo shoot. After exchanging vows the following day at the courthouse in Buenos Aires, the couple found themselves in a beautiful courtyard, the wedding party tossing handfuls of rice, and photographers following them down the street as they walked arm in arm beneath flowering jacaranda trees. "We kept hugging and smiling and kissing each other, feeling a shift in our relationship we could not explain," says Kate. "It felt real and important and bigger than we thought it could feel." (fab-weddings.com)

