

Stephanie Rothnie and Sam Wason

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Lennoxlove House, Haddington

Photographer: Elemental Weddings



The perfect vintage



The soft and serene setting of Lennoxlove House lent itself to Stephanie and Sam's vintage-inspired wedding day

By the sea... Sam proposed to me in Thailand after four years together. We went to an exclusive restaurant overlooking the sea. It was an incredible surprise; I genuinely had no idea! My ring – and both of our wedding rings – were from Daniel Henderson Jewellery, designed by Mae Vona.

Fall in love... We couldn't wait to start the hunt for our venue and Lennoxlove House jumped out at us as being the nicest we'd seen. We wanted an exclusive-use venue for the whole weekend and a marquee with light coloured carpets – luckily for us, Lennoxlove could provide both!

My dress... I dress up quite often and found that some dresses I tried on just didn't feel special enough. I tried on over 50 dresses before I found my perfect gown by Suzanne Neville. It was corseted and strapless with a fishtail but I had lace sleeves made for over the top.

By my side... My bridesmaids were my sister Melanie and my best friend Abbie. They wore ivory dresses with lace. I wanted their look to be romantic and vintage so they had pleats and flowers in their hair. They looked stunning and the dresses suited them perfectly.

Buds and blooms...

Flowers were really important to me and I had a clear vision of what I wanted. I went to a florist who told me my theme was too much and that they couldn't do what I was asking; they just didn't get what I wanted at all. Thomas Maxwell from Flowers by Maxwell in Edinburgh understood my vision straight away and delivered it. They were stunning.

Lots of laughs... I woke up on our wedding morning totally ready and excited. Sam had delivered a bottle of champagne, a card and a beautiful bracelet.

I walked down the aisle to *Kissing You* by Des'ree because the lyrics are so beautiful. Our minister, Bill Armitage, relaxed us by being funny and lighthearted. The general feeling during the ceremony was hilarity rather than anything too serious or emotional.

Party time... After our Asian-inspired wedding breakfast we had our first dance to *Set the Fire to the Third Bar* by Snow Patrol and Martha Wainwright. We love the song – but it isn't very easy to dance to! Our friend Emma Cameron sang it for us which made it all the more special. ▶





My shoes were Gianvito Rossi and I got them from **Net-a-Porter**. I ordered so many shoes and sent them back it became an office joke! I didn't want anything too bridal though and just loved these.



Kimono teacup and saucer (£11.50) maxwellandwilliams.co.uk



Lace heart place name cards (£5) theweddingofmydreams.co.uk



Swarovski pearl and rhinestone headband (£120) **Gioia Mia**
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'Just married' wooden sign (£4.35) pipii.co.uk

GET THE LOOK

Soft and neutral whites, ivories and pastels added a romantic air to Stephanie and Sam's day

Table pearls (£4.99) gingerray.co.uk



Our beautiful stationery was from **2flux** in Edinburgh. The girls who run the company are so talented. We gave them our brief: vintage, romantic, shabby chic but glamorous – quite a hard combo but they nailed it!



Sam's dad made the sloe gin favours in cute little bottles with tags. He even made the vintage gin himself!



This writing bureau is normally in my flat – it was my great grandmother's. I wanted it to be a feature at the wedding and it became our table plan. It was nice to have a bit of our flat there.



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I hired Sam a red Ferrari for the whole weekend, which he certainly seemed to enjoy. He was taking everyone who would go a drive around the roads in Haddington!