

# Jen & Jeremy

A rich raspberry scheme set the tone for this beautiful big day in The Cotswolds

## The proposal

"It was Christmas day and the whole country was covered in snow," remembers Jen. "Jez and I went for a walk up a hill near our house and I saw 'Will U Marry Me?' written in the snow. I stopped and said 'wow look Jez, do you think someone has asked someone to marry them right here?' to which he replied 'turn around Jen' and there he was, down on one knee in the snow! He'd gone out the night before while I was working to write the message and bury a bottle of Champagne for me to find!"

## The bride's outfit

After lots of searching, and struggling to find 'the one', Jen decided to have a bespoke



**BIG DAY DETAILS!**

**Where:** Bittenham Springs, Ewen, The Cotswolds  
**When:** June 2012  
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gown made especially for her. "I knew exactly what I wanted and took a sketch along to Nina from [ninafurness.com](http://ninafurness.com) of what I was thinking of, along with pictures from magazines. Nina then created a proper sketch – and I loved it. It just felt so wonderful to put a dress on that fitted me perfectly. Being so petite, it's not often I wear something that hugs my body in all the right places, with all the proportions spot on."

**"It's not often I get to wear something that hugs my body in all the right places..."**



## The groom's outfit

Jeremy was sent out with his best man and one of his ushers to look around a few shops. "He knew he wanted a light grey suit, but originally he didn't want tails, until he tried them on! He said it felt more special, like he wasn't just wearing any old boring work suit," explains Jen. All the suits were hired from [tuxedo-junction.co.uk](http://tuxedo-junction.co.uk)







"OUR FRIEND KERRY CREATED OUR FLOWERS, INCLUDING THE BOUQUETS AND THE TABLE CENTRES. IT MADE IT SO SPECIAL."



MAGIC MOMENT

"I used my dad's two-seater car, because it had a personalised number plate of 'Sills' (my maiden name). I wanted to arrive at my wedding in it for sentimental reasons - it would be the last time I was officially a Sills!"



The bridesmaids

"I knew that I wanted full-length raspberry-coloured dresses for my bridesmaids, because I felt this colour would suit all their complexions," says Jen. "I found their gowns at [alfredangelo.com](http://alfredangelo.com)."

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The ceremony

Jen's father walked her down the grass aisle. The poor bridesmaids were a bit worried about their long dresses and high shoes, but all went well!

The reception

The couple bought lots of decorations to embellish their marquee and outdoor spaces. "We had olive and bay trees outside, a wishing well for cards, white wicker hearts for inside



the marquee, rubber ducks on the table (we were going to have a duck race on the lake but the rain ruined that plan!) and a finger print tree guest book," says Jen. "We also set up 'peg a picture', where our guests brought along photos of their weddings or special days, and we hung them up on lines of string for everyone to see."

The honeymoon

The couple jetted off for a romantic minimoon to Venice straight after the wedding and are planning a safari adventure for next year.

