

WEDDING OF THE WEEK



Mica Duncalfe & Tim Dick

Renaissance Resort, Koh Samui

A Thai beach, a beautiful sunset, lanterns and rose petals . . . yes, this ceremony was magical.

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MICA Duncalfe says her new hubby is a fairly laid-back kind of guy. So when Tim Dick seemed concerned that they might be running late on their way to the Stokehouse restaurant in St Kilda, she became, well, slightly suspicious.

They'd been together for a couple of years since he had charmed her on their first date, laying out a picnic on the banks of the Yarra.

Now she was pregnant with

their first child. Just as Mica was thinking a nice cup of tea would be perfect to end the meal, he caught her off guard by ordering a bottle of champagne.

"Poor guy," she says. "He ordered it really quickly, under his breath. I was thinking, I'm pregnant, and he's ordered a whole bottle! What's he doing?"

Once they both had their glasses charged, he asked if she would marry him, and happily she said yes.

St Kilda Beach provided the

backdrop for the proposal, and they took the sandy theme a step further with the wedding, deciding to marry in Thailand, one of their favourite holiday destinations.

Lining up a beach resort proved tricky until they discovered an agency (Take Us to Thailand) that took on the detailed organisation including accommodation for 30 guests, who all decided to make a holiday of it and spend a week building up to the ceremony.

Mica reckons the wedding was far less stressful than if they'd tied the knot in Melbourne. "I absolutely recommend it," she says. "All we had to organise was what we

were wearing, and the bridal party, and decide the guest list."

The bride entered the beach ceremony barefoot on a carpet of white rose petals, accompanied by traditional Thai drummers.

"It was just magical," Mica says. "There were lanterns on the beach, we had a wonderful sunset, beautiful splashes of pink, and then a party by our pool afterwards with lots of cocktails!"

Even a minor hitch didn't spoil the rhythm — Mica somehow managed to leave the bridesmaid's



The wading wedding party of Mica Duncalfe and Tim Dick.

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dress and the wedding vows at home in Melbourne.

Frantic calls were made to the best man who fortunately hadn't flown out yet and was able to save the day.

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