



Long-Term Investment

Diedre Kruse and Fahd Benabdeljalil

Private Residence, North Tustin

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Wedding Consulting by Wendy Dahl, Dahl Wedding Company





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THE INTRODUCTION The two financial advisors met in business school, when they were paired together for an investment project. **THE PROPOSAL** During graduation weekend, Mehdi took Diedre on a hike. On a cliff high above the Pacific Ocean, Mehdi asked for Diedre's hand in marriage. **THE WEDDING** Specialty lighting, colored linens and chairs, and lots of candlelight complemented the exterior of the home, creating a warm and intimate garden setting. **Floral Design** Jeannie Warfield **Rentals** Signature Party Rentals **Lighting** Shine! Lighting **Linens** Fusion Linens and Wildflower Linen **Invitations** Charming Gardener **Catering & Cake** Chef Molly's Gourmet Solutions **Entertainment** Vive Entertainment **Videographer** Ashley Video Productions **Gown** An Ivory Monique Luo strapless, tulle, A-Line gown with soft scoop neckline, champagne beaded lace appliqués and draped pick-up skirt with long train **Formalwear** Hugo Boss, Gucci, BCBG **Wedding Rings** The Diamond Connection, Cartier **Hair & Makeup** Cartel Salon **Bridesmaid Dresses** Jim Hjelm at Here Comes the Bride **Flower Girl Dresses** Pegeen **Rehearsal Dinner** French 75, Irvine **Honeymoon** Sonoma, California **Gift Registries** Macy's, Williams-Sonoma **THE NEWLYWEDS** The newlyweds made their new home in San Diego, where Diedre works as an independent tax and financial advisor and Mehdi works as a fund accountant.