

Johanna Maher & Robert W. Rahal | Tehama Golf Club, Carmel

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Good things happen when divisible by three! Robert is a professional race car driver, and it seems that he always has great seasons when the number on his car is divisible by three. So, the three day event finished with the wedding ceremony and reception taking place on 09-30-06...all numbers divisible by three! The Chicago-based couple planned an entire weekend in the luxurious ocean-side town of Carmel, beginning with a welcome dinner Thursday evening at Baja Cantina. Friday, the men relaxed during a round of golf and the women sipped on champagne during lunch at Pebble Beach, and they all met for the rehearsal dinner at Casanova's. Everyone came together on Saturday for the extravagant celebration of Johanna and Robert's happy union.

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Invitations Save-the-date cards made of handmade Italian paper arrived in the form of booklets that showcased a letterpressed stack of suitcases to inform guests of their upcoming vacation. The invitation, also by *Le Fleur Du Papiers*, featured a cream tri-fold square with a garnet ribbon belt. **Floral & Event Design** *Fiona Floral* developed an elegant, antique and intimate setting. Guests dined in deep mahogany chivari chairs and atop embroidered ivory linens. Bone China, gold chargers and crystal glassware offset the lavish three-foot-tall candelabra overflowing with roses, hot pink and red lilies and willow branches. Varying levels of tea lights and candles added an essence of romance.

Catering A choice of filet mignon or halibut served with vegetables and garlic mashed potatoes **Cake** *Just Cake* fashioned a three-tiered cake that incorporated the design of the wedding invitation. **Entertainment** *Kelly Productions* provided entertainers for the entire evening. *Kenny Stahl String Trio* played at the ceremony and *Peter Burkhard* played classic Sinatra and Dean Martin, Motown and 70s music. **Gift Registry** The couple asked for donations to their favorite charity, Camp Heartland, for children affected by AIDS and HIV. They raised \$25,000! **Wedding Gown** Johanna's *Anne Barge* gown boasted a fitted bodice, sweetheart neckline and spaghetti straps. Five layers of silk, satin, and silk netting draped in a slight A-line into a sweep train with a French bustle. **Bridesmaid Dresses** *J.Crew* **Formalwear** *Pal Zileri* and *Zegna* **Honeymoon** African Safari in 2007

