



## Lindsay & Jeremy

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When Dr. Lindsay Smithen found out she'd be completing her ophthalmology residency at Tufts-New England Medical Center in Boston, she was sad about leaving New York. So a friend encouraged her to join

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JDate, a website for Jewish singles, and to check out some of the guys from the Boston area. "She thought it would make me feel better," says Lindsay. Little did she know it would lead to the love of her life!

And that's exactly what happened when Lindsay stumbled across Jeremy Kirsch. The pair hit it off before Lindsay made the big move. "We chatted online and on the phone a lot," recalls Jeremy, who is the head of sales and business development for a startup company called Positive Energy. "We had some very funny banter, so my first impression



of her was that she had a good sense of humor and was very witty.”

Of course, having found Jeremy made Lindsay’s transition to a new city much smoother and the couple was such a perfect match that in time, Lindsay knew the proposal was coming. But Jeremy was determined to keep it a surprise, and found a way to catch her off guard. “We were in New York for Thanksgiving weekend, and went for a run along the East River—a run we always do when we’re in New York,” remembers Lindsay. “At the end of our jog he bent down to stretch and got on one knee,” and the rest was history.

For their ceremony and reception, the pair selected the Jedediah Hawkins Inn, a historic mansion located in Jamesport, N.Y. The ceremony was officiated by Rabbi Malcolm Thomson, a dear friend of the family.

One of many special touches to the reception was a lemon-flavored cocktail the couple called “Lieutenant’s Lemonade,” in honor of Jeremy’s service as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy. Jeremy served as a Special Operations Officer from 1996 to 2004.

Their signature cocktail was just one of several ways the couple incorporated a nautical



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theme into the reception. Upon entering the Inn, guests came upon a beautiful Captain's Chest spilling over with flowers. Military photos of Jeremy hanging in different frames also adorned the Inn.

But perhaps one of the most eye-catching details of the evening was the couple's wedding cake. It was a miniature replica of the Inn and had guests in awe. "It was so detailed, it was unbelievable. People didn't believe it was a cake," says Lindsay of the banana-flavored masterpiece. And in keeping with Navy tradition, the pair cut the cake using a sword. Guests also enjoyed peach cobbler and a beautifully laid out candy bar for dessert. And each guest received a specially delivered chocolate basket from the bride and groom.

Paying attention to those small details to make their wedding personal and special for their guests is how the happy couple operates in their every day life. "Family is very important to both of us," says Jeremy. "And we're also into the little things that matter – doing things we enjoy as a couple and just sharing time together." **LB**

