

christine & James: fantastically fun



Humour and heritage made for a perfect wedding for this east and west couple.

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James Buckley lived and worked in London. Christie Ng lived and works in Kuala Lumpur. If it weren't for their employers, it would seem unfathomable that they would ever end up together. They were both relocated to Hong Kong by their companies. And in the Pearl of the Orient, they met at a mutual friend's house warming party. "As corny as it may sound, we were really inseparable from that night onwards," said Ng bashfully.

Over two years later while holidaying in Hawaii, Buckley tested the waters for more than a surf. He offered a warm 'suggestion' that they get married. Ng said no. "I wanted flowers and a ring... a proper proposal," she said with a roaring laughter. After their holiday, they came back and went hunting for the ring and were engaged.

Theirs was a well-planned wedding, held at the Le Meridien Kuala Lumpur with Events Wizard hired to set up the do. They had a traditional tea ceremony in Ng's mother's house, and Buckley and his two brothers were dressed in traditional Chinese outfits. The dinner was informal and cosy. Ng got the idea for her reception from a movie. "We had bright orange orchids all over the boardroom, reggae music complete with bongos! It was fun and carefree where guests can let their hair down. We did not want a stiff, formal dinner," explains Ng.

It seemed all very apt that the event was a blend of the east and west. The food was Chinese; the toast was western, followed by the ubiquitous yam send done at all Malaysian Chinese wedding dinners. A video montage of the tea ceremony had the guests in stitches with laughter, especially the antics of Buckley and his brothers. "Towards the end, everyone was on the floor dancing the night away. It was definitely the best night of my life. I felt like I was walking on clouds!" said Ng.