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Pretty as a Princess

Shot on location at the Governor Thomas Bennet House (page 116)



True Blues

Alexis Smith to Tye Hill
June 27, 2009

Alexis Smith chose a “Breakfast at Tiffany’s” theme for her wedding to Atlanta Seahawks cornerback Tye Hill. After all, when he proposed to Alexis on her birthday with a faux ring keychain (before presenting her with the real thing), “It was like our own romantic comedy,” she says. Once engaged, Alexis—who’s known Tye since their Lowcountry high school days but didn’t begin dating him till they were at Clemson University—thought of Tiffany blue boxes wrapped in off-white satin ribbon. Thus she brought on **Distinctive Events** to fashion a wedding around her inspiration. Besides channelling her inner Holly Golightly, Alexis also wanted to showcase their roots, so she chose North Charleston’s The Life Center Cathedral and the Francis Marion Hotel downtown for celebrating. “Aside from the smile on my handsome groom’s face,” says Alexis, “I remember the doors opening and the beautiful shades of blue everywhere. It was perfect.”—*Nicole Noble*



(clockwise from top right)

A FASHIONABLE FAREWELL:

Alexis and Tye (in his bright blue tie) left their reception in a sleek Mercedes Maybach rented from Baker Motor Company. **WHY**

SO BLUE: The head table’s chiavari chairs were wrapped with Tiffany blue satin bows that echoed the hues of the table linens. **ALL WRAPPED UP:** Silky blue napkins tied with off-white satin ribbons mimicked the look of the Tiffany blue box cake.

Each guest received “something blue” candies nestled in white ribbioned boxes at their place setting. **BOX SET:** Elaine’s Events stacked square layers of white cake and raspberry mousse, all dressed like the famous jewelry boxes with Italian buttercream icing and fondant ribbons.



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