

AZADEH & MALEK VAHDAT • 9TH OCTOBER, 2011



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Classic Elegance

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AZADEH AND MALEK FIRST MET AT A SUNDAY CLASS THAT THEY ATTENDED WITH A FEW OTHER YOUNGSTERS WHEN THEY WERE ABOUT 13 YEARS OLD. THEIR FAMILIES WERE FRIENDLY WITH EACH OTHER, AND MALEK WAS KNOWN AS THE KID LIVING 'FAR AWAY' IN SERPENTINE, WHILE AZADEH WAS THE GIRL LIVING 'FAR AWAY' IN JOONDALUP.

After they stopped going to the Sunday class, Azadeh and Malek didn't see much of each other. Malek went travelling around the world with his family, and Azadeh was busy with school.

It wasn't until they were both in their late teens, and

Malek had returned from a service trip to Tajikistan where he had volunteered his time at a junior youth camp, that the pair started dating.

Azadeh and Malek are Baha'i's, which means that a couple's official engagement begins with not only a proposal, but also the couple's parents' consent to the marriage. Azadeh and Malek knew with all their hearts that they wanted to marry, so it was then a matter of asking their parents. When both sets of parents got together and agreed to the marriage, it was a good enough reason for a celebration.

On their wedding day, an excited Azadeh got out of

bed after a night of no sleep at all. Looking out of the window, she was horrified to see a sky leaden with storm clouds. Fortunately the weather cleared shortly after, and the rain gave way to sunshine in time for their outdoor ceremony.

It took the help of both Azadeh and Malek's mothers to get Azadeh into her Donna Tobin wedding gown, with its long lace sleeves and a full hoop dutches silk skirt.

Azadeh's bridesmaids, her two sisters, wore silvery lilac gowns during the day, before changing into stunning ivory dresses for the evening reception. »





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The couple opted for a very private and very beautiful Baha'i ceremony at Malek's family home, which concluded with food, music, wedding cake and plenty of photos.

Then it was off to the reception, which started with a dramatic entrance from Azadeh and Malek, as they walked onto the venue's white dance floor to begin their first dance to Coldplay's *Paradise*.

Azadeh then sang Malek a song, which he and his brother followed with a hilarious dance routine.

The night ended with Persian and contemporary dancing before the couple exited through a farewell tunnel of guests. ✨

An assortment of vases with gorgeous blooms, particularly roses in soft ivory, blush and cream tones that matched the roses in Azadeh's hair, formed the table centre-pieces at their FRASERS RESTAURANT reception.

The beautiful table decorations perfectly complemented the couple's elegant and classic theme.



"OUR WEDDING WAS TRULY A REMARKABLE DAY"



Azadeh and Malek held their traditional Baha'i ceremony at Malek's family home in a beautiful estate not far from Serpentine National Park.
We love the way Azadeh and Malek decorated the surrounding area with simple white ribbons and pretty flowers. The decorations created an intimate and charming atmosphere that perfectly complemented their family members' recitals of writings on marriage and unity from the Baha'i Faith.

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