

footprints in the sand

REAL WEDDING STORIES
FROM CONSTANCE GUESTS

Welcome...



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At Constance Hotels & Resorts, we offer only the world's most romantic destinations for you to choose from for your wedding and honeymoon.

Through real stories of Constance guests, we share the 8 steps to creating a dream destination wedding.

From proposal to the first dance, the journey to getting married is one filled with emotional moments.

In this guide, guests who have travelled to our hotels and resorts in the Maldives, Mauritius, Seychelles and Madagascar share their personal stories of getting married and honeymooning at Constance.


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Excitement

Finding the perfect destination for your wedding



An aerial photograph of a tropical resort. The top half shows a large cluster of overwater bungalows with thatched roofs, connected by a wooden walkway, situated in clear turquoise water. The bottom right shows a white sandy beach with several palm trees and lounge chairs.

“At the time of our wedding nearly 21 years ago,
the choice was somewhat limited...we decided
to choose a holiday of a lifetime, in a place that
we had only ever dreamt about, to get married
and start our married life together.”

**NATALIE & MARK FINNISS
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE**







PLANNING FOR A PERFECT DAY

As soon as the booking is confirmed for the wedding we contact the guests, either via email, skype or telephone. We have a range of options for a wedding but I always listen to what they want and try to please them if possible. For example if the bride asks precisely for a kind of flowers, I can tell her if this will be the season for these flowers... Frangipani is the most requested flower but also orchids are popular.

Wedding Coordinator,
Constance Le Prince Maurice

“If we were going abroad to get married it had to be luxurious and exotic. The Indian Ocean looked like it ticked all of our boxes. We had looked at the Caribbean and Mexico but the beaches of Mauritius and the style of the hotels drew us in.”

REUBEN AND GEMMA FREEMAN
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE

In all the world there is
no heart for me like yours.
In all the world there is
no love for you like mine.

Maya Angelou

Expectation

Designing every detail of your day



“We got married a couple of days before leaving Mauritius for the Seychelles so time was a little tight. We needed to travel to Port Louis to post our banns and complete the documentation necessary to be married and this was all laid on by the hotel. We had a great driver who not only chauffeured us to and fro but also gave us a bit of an impromptu tour of some areas of the island and his knowledge as a local of places to visit.”

**REUBEN & GEMMA FREEMAN
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE**





Now join your hands, and
with your hands your hearts...

William Shakespeare, Henry VI

CHOOSING YOUR WEDDING OUTFIT

For the bride we normally recommend their dress is made from a light fabric such as sheer silks and chiffons. For the groom wedding attire, we recommend a traditional suit in light shades. We also recommend the bride does not wear high heels, often the bride and groom go barefoot.

Wedding Coordinator,
Constance Halaveli

“I would advise people not to stress about things before you go. I met with my wedding coordinator the day after arriving at the hotel and from there we arranged where in the hotel we wanted the ceremony, the flowers I wanted, the music we wanted, the photographer, everything! It was all just so relaxed, and I will say I was a little nervous... But everything couldn't have been more perfect.”

**PAMELA & EAMON MAGUIRE
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE**



Exhilaration

Arriving at your hotel





A photograph of a beach scene. In the foreground, a white canopy is partially visible, supported by a wooden pole. Underneath the canopy, several patterned pillows in shades of purple, beige, and brown are arranged on a white surface. The background shows a clear blue sky and the ocean with gentle waves. The overall atmosphere is bright and relaxing.

“I remember pulling up to the hotel and being so excited when we saw how beautiful the entrance to the hotel was. As we stepped into the lobby, we stopped to look at the amazing view before a member of staff took us and our friends down to a table by the pool where we were provided with a breakfast. Once we had eaten, more hotel staff came over to welcome us and fill in the registration forms for us. No queuing at desks or waiting around. It was such a relaxing way to start our holiday, and we will never forget it, we felt we were treated like royalty!”

**HANNAH & ANDREW HILL
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE**

You know when you're in
love when you can't fall asleep
because reality is finally better
than your dreams.

Dr. Seuss

“Once you arrive at the resort have a look around the island and decide where you would like to have your wedding. There were different options available to us: The Jetty, Sandbank, Beach and we made our decision once we’d looked around the island. Think about where you would like your photos taken making sure you take into account things such as where the sun sets.”

HELEN & JOE MCCAUGHRAN
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE



Introspection

The morning of your wedding



“My bridesmaid and I spent the morning relaxing on the beach, followed by pampering in the hair salon, then champagne back in the suite whilst getting dressed for the ceremony. I was nervous but so excited! It was very relaxing though to be able to hear and see the sparkling sea from our balcony as we got ready.

I felt like a film star when my wedding coordinator knocked on the door to say it was time to leave, because the photographer was waiting for us outside and some of the other guests were also gathered to watch us set off in our beautifully decorated golf buggy!”

**HANNAH & ANDREW HILL
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE**



“The day of the wedding we had a couple’s spa treatment - facial and massage - which was a lovely way to relax before the big event! We then went back to our beach villa and shared a bottle of Louis Roederer champagne bought for us by our friends and sent to our room. Once we’d finished the champagne Joe left the beach villa to get ready in one of the water villas. He was picked up in a golf buggy decorated in palm leaves! It was exciting getting ready in such a beautiful location and once dressed in my wedding dress I couldn’t wait to meet my husband to be on the jetty!”

**HELEN & JOE MCCAUGHRAN
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE**





MAKING IT YOUR DAY

We try to get to know the guests better, for example how they met, or how long they have known each other. It somehow helps us to personalise their lifetime event.

Wedding Coordinator at
Constance Le Prince Maurice

“My sister and I set off on a nice walk along the beach after our breakfast. It was lovely and relaxed and we just messed around really, a bit like when we were children. Doing cartwheels and handstands in the sand. We laughed a lot and had a very special time together.”

NATALIE & MARK FINNISS
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE

Out beyond ideas of
wrongdoing and rightdoing,
there is a field.

I'll meet you there.

Jelaluddin Rumi, 13th Century

Intimacy

Your wedding ceremony





“We didn’t want a big wedding with too much ceremony, too many guests, too many protocols. Getting married alone on the beach met with our desire for simplicity but at the same time, it was also a spectacular moment, a strong moment, an unforgettable moment. The Seychelles was the place where we could realise our dream wedding: simple and intense.”

**ANNABELLE & DAVID DESCAMPS
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE**

“It was a very personal ceremony conducted in a professional manner but what stuck in our minds throughout it all was the effort the hotel had gone to set up the venue for us. We hadn’t wanted a flower covered arch like you see in the films, just something elegant and tasteful and they got it right for us.”

**REUBEN & GEMMA FREEMAN
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE**





ADD SOME PERSONAL TOUCHES

It is the unique, personal touches that will make your day feel special to you so make sure you let your hotel or resort know about any special requests you think will add to the day.

“We loved the intimacy of it being just the two of us celebrating together in such a beautiful location. Planting a coconut tree on the island was a lovely touch and ensures that a part of us always remains on Moofushi!”

**HELEN & JOE MCCAUGHRAN
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE**

And I'd choose you;
In a hundred lifetimes,
In a hundred worlds,
In any version of reality,
I'd find you and
I'd choose you.

From the Chaos of Stars by Kiersten White

Euphoria

Time to celebrate





“We had a meal with our guests after the ceremony, photographs and a few glasses of champagne. The spread of food put on for us was truly unbelievable. The choice was amazing with a dish of each type of food available for our guests. For the price we paid per head we were truly spoilt and you wouldn’t get half as much back in the UK. The desserts were as delicious as the main courses. It was also nice to have a different style of food for a wedding meal. The Creole influence was clear to see and taste but it didn’t overwhelm and the experience was one we won’t forget.”

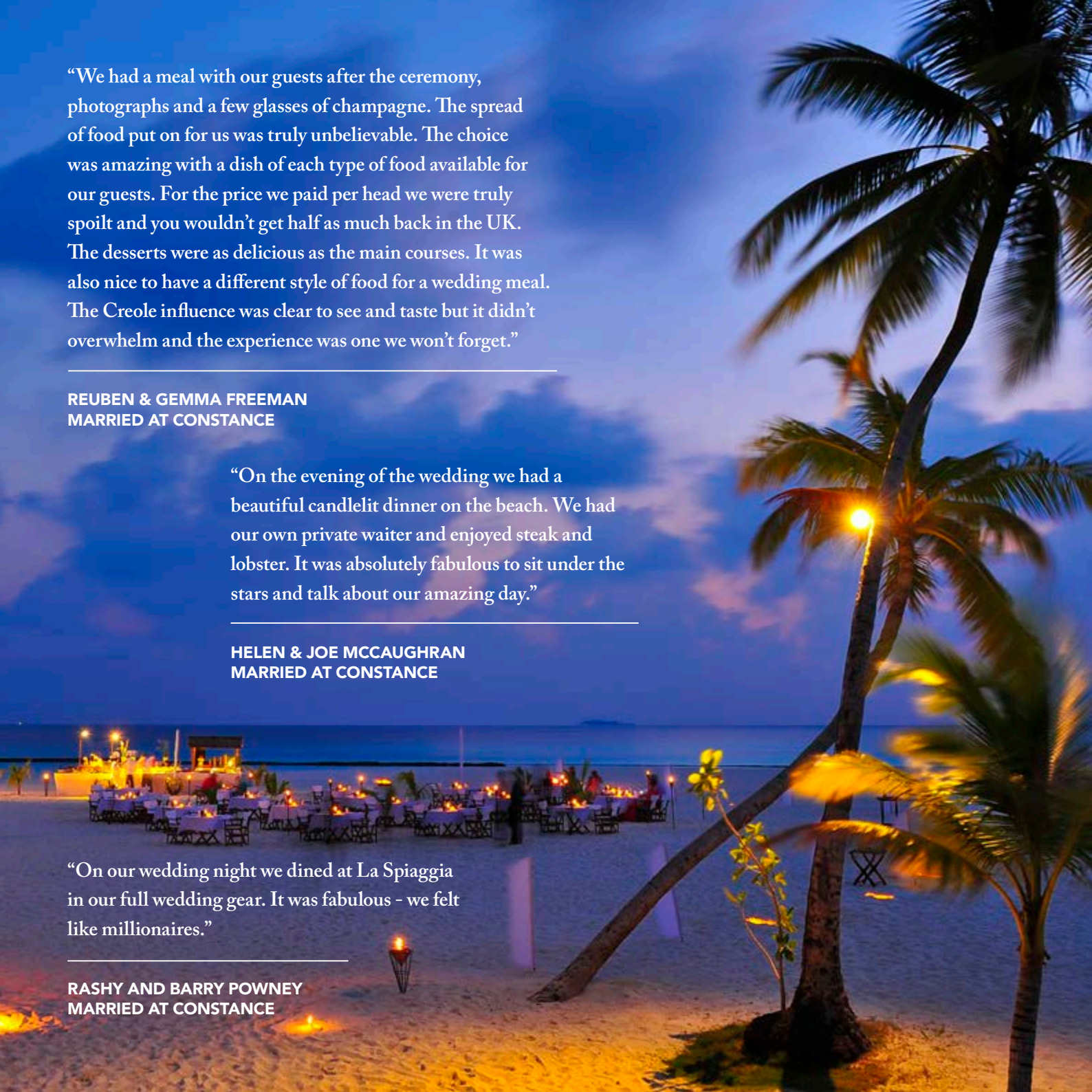
**REUBEN & GEMMA FREEMAN
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“On the evening of the wedding we had a beautiful candlelit dinner on the beach. We had our own private waiter and enjoyed steak and lobster. It was absolutely fabulous to sit under the stars and talk about our amazing day.”

**HELEN & JOE MCCAUGHRAN
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE**

“On our wedding night we dined at La Spiaggia in our full wedding gear. It was fabulous - we felt like millionaires.”

**RASHY AND BARRY POWNEY
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE**





When you meet the one
Who changes the way
your heart beats,
dance with them to that rhythm
for as long as the song lasts.

Kirk Diedrich



CHOOSING THE CAKE

Our couples are able to choose their favourite cake from a list of wedding cakes we offer. But if the guest would like to personalise the type of cake they want then they can speak with our pastry chef who will be delighted to assist them.

Wedding Coordinator,
Constance Le Prince Maurice

“After the ceremony we spent some time on the beach taking our own photos and also having some drinks at the bar, next to the pool. The musician who had played guitar at the wedding ceremony came and set up a keyboard in front of our table and played some music which was lovely as we had not booked him to do this. It was an extra special touch. In the evening we had a very special five course meal with our two guests at the Deer Hunter restaurant. The setting was so peaceful and intimate, and again, we were made to feel like VIPs!”

HANNAH & ANDREW HILL
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE

Fulfillment

The first day of your married life





“The day after we got married, we rented a car to go around Praslin. We felt good and made the most of every moment as it was our last day before leaving. That day started particularly well with a private breakfast served on the beach, exactly where we got married the day before.”

ANNABELLE & DAVID DESCAMPS
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE





TIPS FOR A DREAM HONEYMOON

Location, location, location - make a list of ideal, dream destinations separately and then see if any of your ideas match

Plan your relaxation, excursions and luxury pampering in advance

Forget about everyone and everything at home – enjoy yourself and each other and live in the moment

Allow some time back at home before you go back to work – just enjoy being home together before the real world starts up again

“We spent the day after the wedding around the pool with friends and snorkelling in the sea. Later, we had a relaxing couple’s massage in the spa. In the week after the wedding, we really enjoyed exploring Mauritius by taxi, on itineraries suggested by the concierge at the hotel.”

**HANNAH & ANDREW HILL
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE**

Love betters what is best.

William Wordsworth

Relaxation

Enjoying your dream honeymoon






“After getting married in Seychelles, 6 months later we went to Moofushi for our honeymoon. At Moofushi we rediscovered the same elegance, kindness and availability that we experienced at Lemuria. It was a total change of scenery, we spent the entire week barefoot in the sand. We stayed in a water villa with stairs going straight down to the sea and a jetty. We chose to take a diving package with the diving club: you should absolutely do it! The guides are certified and you feel very safe, we were offered some unforgettable excursions.”

**ANNABELLE & DAVID DESCAMPS
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE**



I seem to have loved you
in numberless forms,
numberless times,
in life after life,
in age after age forever.

Tagore

A photograph of a tropical resort at dusk. In the foreground, there is a dark wicker lounge chair with teal and white cushions. A small wooden table with a glowing spherical lamp sits next to it. A large, clear infinity pool extends into the distance, reflecting the twilight sky. In the background, there are palm trees, a beach, and a building with warm interior lighting. The sky is a deep blue with some clouds.

“We love Constance Lemuria, for us it’s like being at home. People take care of us, and every time we have to come back home I cry.”

**KATIA PILOTI AND ROBERTO MELLONI
MARRIED AT CONSTANCE**

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Kind words...

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“When I saw Constance Halaveli first from the sea plane, I thought we were landing in the paradise. White sands, turquoise waters, beautiful palm trees... The only thing I said when I saw our water villa was OMG. We had overall privacy and silence in our water villa with our private plunge pool and sun terrace. Constance Halaveli is the perfect place to spend your honeymoon or to add more romance to your relationship. I wish I could freeze the time and live there forever...”

HATICE KORKMAZ, INSTAGRAMMER
@KARDINALMELON



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