



Desert romance

Let your love stand out against the simple backdrop of the gentle desert dunes with a dusting of fine art details

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The atmosphere

Be inspired by the soft golds and burnt orange hues of the desert. Elegant, playful and striking, this is the perfect backdrop for passion and romance. Your dream of a desert wedding reception comes true with the soft muted colours, fine art details and authentic Moroccan setting.

The colours are cream, antique gold, ivory, Pantone's colour of 2015 – dusky Marsala, and a touch of dramatic crimson. The colour palette and atmosphere of the reception is informed by the desert sands and nomadic sunsets.



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Setting the scene

Moroccan House in Pretoria, with its original and audacious décor, is a beautiful canvas for the reception dinner. Low seating, thrown mats and lounging pillows are a great way of creating the right atmosphere. Lots of Moroccan lanterns, glassware and candles are used to create soft, romantic lighting.



The look

The 2015 Anna Georgina collection from Kobus Dippenaar, with its powerfully feminine and sensual designs, sets a bold yet sophisticated look for the bride. The Annocha gown was specifically chosen as it is the epitome of spirited romance.

The hues of the desert, with its bare landscapes, comes alive with strong and bold flowers in muted tones that introduce the sense of an oasis paradise. Naturally arranged bouquets and floral designs give the effect of playfulness and a casually hosted affair that is synonymous with the welcoming Moroccan culture.



The details

A harvest-style reception dinner by Prep'd By Sasha stays true to the Moroccan spirit. Sharing food creates an intimate atmosphere and a convivial air. It's also a great way to get conversations started, ensuring lots of smiles – not only for the delicious food – but for the comfortable feeling of a family dinner.

There's a sense of adventure and exploration in the stationery from Chrystalace Wedding Stationery, pulling guests into the journey of the wedding experience. Yarn-wrapped invitations open up to hand-scripted details and beautiful watercolour backgrounds.





The cakes

Pippa and Polly Cakery's designs bring symmetry, elegance and sophistication to a casual atmosphere. Filled with bold Moroccan patterns and the subtle yet unmistakable mark of Haute Couture meeting fine art, the cakes make for a delicious visual statement.



Get the look

Fine art weddings are a new trend within the South African wedding industry. The style for this gorgeous desert shoot is created with soft golden and muted tones, romance, lots of light, whimsical flowers and the open landscapes of the desert horizon. Classic and modern details, clean lines and a great atmosphere are at the heart of it all. It's important to choose suppliers who are familiar with and enjoy the fine art style. This look relies on the details, so your suppliers need to be passionate about your vision. The photography is what wraps it all together by creating a romantic and intimate album to capture your perfect day.

The Couple

This is a theme for an adventurous and modern couple who value family and intimacy, but who want a bold and romantic wedding. This is the kind of wedding that incites fiery passion and desire with its magical settings and moody tones. This theme is suited to couples who love beautifully placed details, soft natural light and sensual photography.



Little black book

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- ♥ **DRESSES:** Kobus Dippenaar Anna Georgina 2015 Collection, 021 423 7810, annageorgina.co.za; Stockist – Calegra House, 083 661 1282, calegra.co.za
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