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THEIR STORY

BRIDE Josie Atwood, 34, a director of print research and development at Ralph Lauren **GROOM** Kow Atta-Mensah, 33, an executive director at Morgan Stanley **HOW THEY MET** At a going-away brunch for a mutual friend **WEDDING STYLE** To accentuate the majesty of their mountain setting, the couple decided on a sleek black, white and silver color palette. —CH

Guests took the three-mile gondola ride to the top of snow-covered Aspen Mountain for Josie and Kow's high-altitude, high-fashion nuptials. A black-tie dress code meant guests looked just as incredible as the mountain backdrop. "Each groomsman wore self-tie bow ties, which made for an incredible circus in the dressing room," Kow recalls.
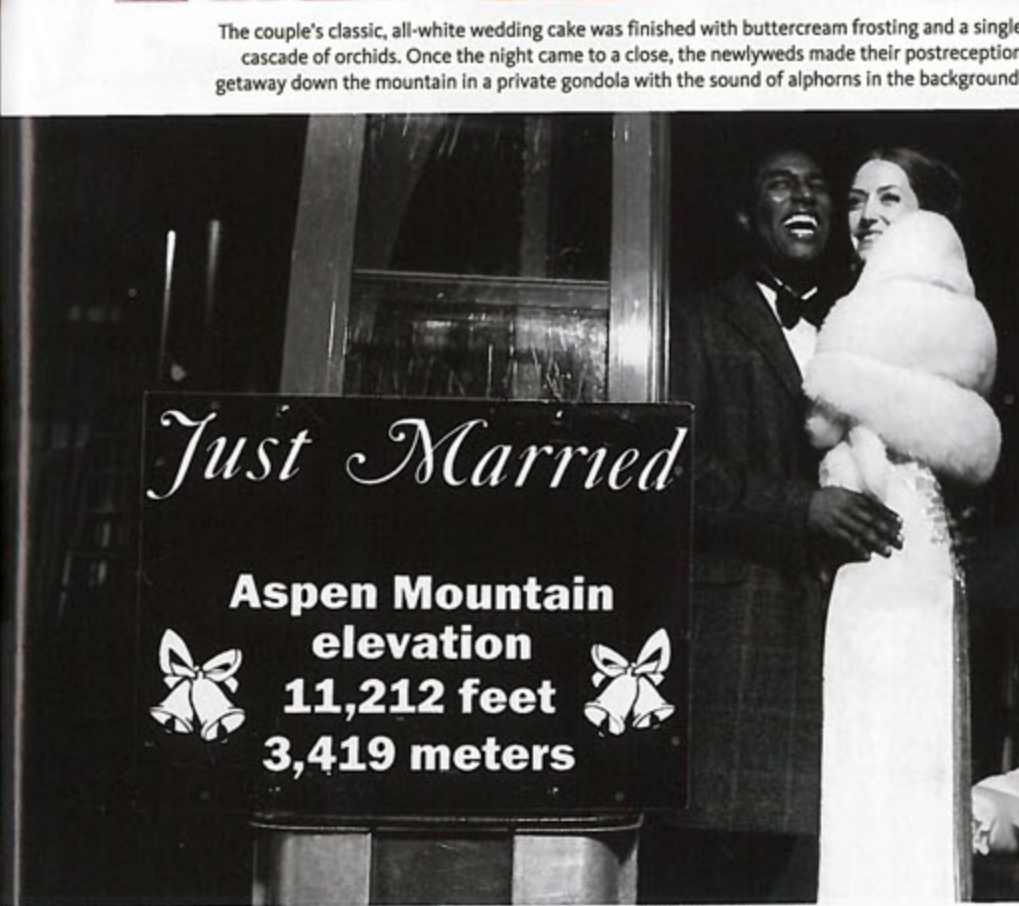
Josie and Kow married in front of a fireplace flanked by white branches, candles and arrangements of orchids and baby's breath. As for that custom-made wedding dress? Josie enlisted the help of a coworker to design it for her after she was unable to find what she was looking for. "My checklist was unusual; I wanted lace, a high neck, long sleeves and an open back," Josie says of her dream gown. "There's nothing better than wearing a dress on your wedding day created specifically for you."

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Aspen Mountain elevation 11,212 feet 3,419 meters

The couple's classic, all-white wedding cake was finished with buttercream frosting and a single cascade of orchids. Once the night came to a close, the newlyweds made their postreception getaway down the mountain in a private gondola with the sound of alphorns in the background.

JOSIE & KOW'S WEDDING INGREDIENTS

CEREMONY & RECEPTION SITE Aspen Mountain Club, Aspen **PHOTOGRAPHY** James Christianson Photographers **VIDEOGRAPHY** Craig William Films **CONSULTANT** Cristina Verger Event Planning & Production **FLOWERS** The Aspen Branch **OFFICIANT** Chirag Shah **GOWN & VEIL** Maria Loccisano **HAIR & MAKEUP** Liz Christensen **SHOES** René Caovilla **WEDDING RINGS** Bride: Ralph Lauren; groom: Cartier **JEWELRY** Earrings: Betteridge **BRIDESMAID DRESSES** Lauren Ralph Lauren **MENSWEAR** Groom: Dior; groomsmen: Ralph Lauren **STATIONERY** Invitations & menus: Elum, Michael Zac Design Group; escort cards: Kaleidakolor Calligraphy Studio **RENTALS** Halcyon Productions **CATERING** The Little Nell **CAKE** d'Elissious Cake Studio **MUSIC** Ceremony: Michael Thornton/Colorado Alphorn Events; reception: DJ Dylan/Platinum Productions **FAVORS** Image3D **ACCOMMODATIONS** The Little Nell **REGISTRY** Sur La Table **HONEYMOON** Cape Grace Hotel, Singita Sweni Lodge, South Africa; Four Seasons Resort Seychelles, Seychelles **GUESTS** 60 **BUDGET** $$$$ (see key, p. 6)