

SLIEVE DONARD

Your Wedding

Couple's Names: Ryan Garland & Shelley Browne Wedding Date: : 29th May 2021 Ceremony @ 2nd Comber Presbyterian Church, Comber Reception @ Slieve Donard Resort and Spa Photography: : Ryan Ward Film & Photography Videography: : Ryan Ward Film & Photography

The Couple

How you met & when:

We met in work in 2015. Ryan claims it was love at first sight. After dating for nearly 6 months Shelley flew to Dubai to live and work for Emirates Airlines. We did long distance for a year before Shelley decided to come home and settle down with Ryan.

The Proposal

Ryan took me on a trip to Hamburg for the new year in 2018 that he was ready to get engaged and asked me to go ring shopping to which I replied, "Get your Coat". We shopped all day in Hamburg, but Shelley didn't find a ring that she loved, so on the way home from the airport in Belfast we stopped at Murray and Co where Shelley found her perfect ring. Ryan proposed that night under the stars at Island Hill (after a brief trip via the in laws to ask for Shelley's Father's blessing!)



<u>The Day</u>

Venue:

The first time we went to visit the Slieve Donard Resort and Spa was to view the venue for our Wedding and immediately we fell in love with it. The setting of the Mournes and the view from the Chandelier Suite was just the perfect scene for our wedding day. The Staff were all amazing, from day dot. John, Nora and Eugene were so knowledgeable, with a wealth of experience in the industry. I did not worry about anything not being handled well by the Slieve Donard Staff. The way my parents were treated was incredibly important to me also and they were very well looked after, after all its not just the bride and groom's day!! Eugene looked after every guest so professionally and personally

Theme:

The theme was spring floral, romantic and elegant with cornflower blue bridesmaids, peaches and soft pinks and pastel greens throughout the floral arrangements. Apple blossom trees were provided by A Little Touch of Sparkle for some tables with ivory chair covers to create our stunning room.



Wedding Planner/Stylist:

Shelley Garland....of course!!! Lol

Wedding Dress:

The Wedding Box in Newtownards, Alison had helped my family before when my sisterin-law got married and didn't fail to provide the perfect dresses for myself when it was my turn. I opted for a classic, timeless Justin Alexander dress, ivory satin with custom made sleeves added. I style my look with a sparkly head piece which included diamonds and pearls and finally Carrie Bradshaw Royal Blue Manolo Blahnik Stiletto shoes. They were always in my wedding day vision before I even thought about the dress!!

The Bridesmaids:

Also The Wedding Box, Newtownards. Cornflower Blue & Off the Shoulder. Beautiful!

Groomswear:

Focus, Bangor. Great staff, very reliable and accomplished even providing a little suit for 2-year-old page boy Matthew. Ryan opted for Navy Tux with a check waistcoat and black bow tie and Patent Black Shoes. They looked so handsome.



<u>Decor</u>

Wedding Flowers:

Floral Design, Bangor. A mix of cornflower blue, pastel peaches, pinks and greens. Beautiful spring bouquet with the Bridesmaids and flower girls having simple Gypsophelia.

Room Decor & Table Plan:

I knew I wanted the Chandelier Suite for the beautiful views.

Stationary:

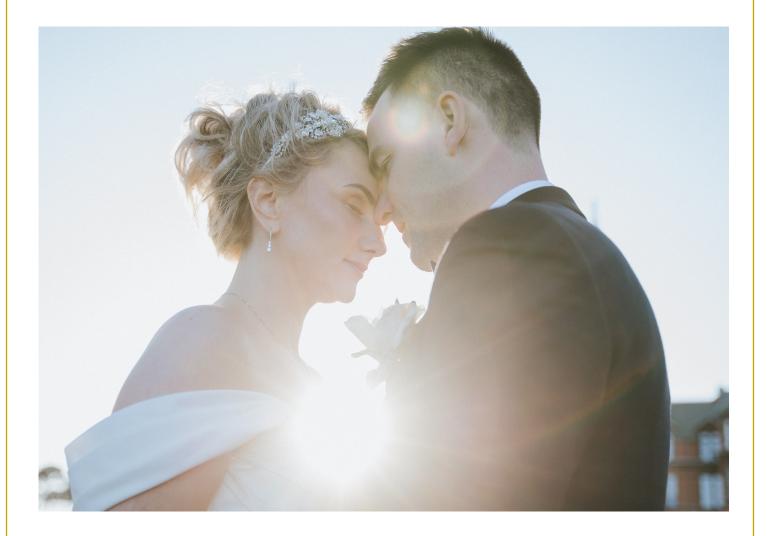
The Creative Wedding Company helped me create my invitations, Table place cards and order of the day. We kept it simple with the floral colours and they were so pretty!!

What food you choice & why:

Pea and Truffle Soup or Chicken Caesar Salad to Start. Turkey and Ham or Beef for Main and we opted for his n hers desserts with Crème Brulee for the men and Slieve Donard Traditional Pavlova for the Ladies..

Wedding Cake:

The fabulous Jenny Speers from J Bird Bakery, Belfast . 3 Tier, Chocolate and Raspberry , Red Velvet and Lemon decorated with fresh flowers from Floral Design. Simply beautiful.



Photos/videos

Why you chose your photographer/videographer:

We Couldn't fault Ryan Ward and I've met him previously at friends' weddings. Such a relaxed vibe he provides and makes you have fun on the day!! 10/10









Finally

Favourite Moment Groom:

Seeing his 2 beautiful daughters as flowers girls enjoying their day and seeing his wife walk up the Aisle – he was blown away!!

Favourite Moment Bride:

Being able to have everyone I love and care about under one roof again after such a long and difficult year. And Finally after 3 and a half years marrying my man!!!

Your wedding day is your most important day and we want to make everything perfect. Our experienced Wedding Coordinators are among the best in Northern Ireland and are on hand to will help you to create an unfor-gettable and magical day which is truly a unique expression of you.

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