

REAL WEDDINGS

Steph
and Gabe

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Weddings
in Houston.





"We are a plate of Texas BBQ served with empanadas and cuñapes," Stephanie says. Raised in Spring to Bolivian-born parents, groom Gabe and his Houston-born-and-raised bride met over margaritas and chips. While their romance was "love at first sight," she says, Gabe's proposal was all about careful planning and subterfuge: On a marathon-training run, Gabe "dropped" his iPhone, which then displayed a fake screen that read, "Hard Drive Failure—Contact Apple." When he swiped the screen, the phone lit up with the words, "What do you really want for Christmas?" which he showed to Stephanie, and then proposed. The pair spoke their vows before 300 friends and family members, then proceeded to party the night away amidst French-garden splendor at La Colombe d'Or. Adds the bride: "We had to be pulled off the dance floor so our Rolls-Royce wouldn't leave us!"

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NAMES **STEPHANIE LIONBERGER & GABRIEL ZAMORA** ♦ NUMBER OF GUESTS **300** ♦ VENUE **LA COLOMBE D'OR** ♦ WEDDING DRESS **RIVINI FROM IVORY BRIDAL ATELIER** ♦ ALTERATIONS **LAURA'S COUTURE & ALTERATIONS** ♦ BRIDE'S MAKEUP **MAKEUP TEXAS** ♦ PHOTOGRAPHY **ADAM NYHOLT PHOTOGRAPHER** ♦ REHEARSAL DINNER **GRAPPINO DI NINO** ♦ REGISTRY **WILLIAMS-SONOMA, BERING'S** ♦ HONEYMOON **THAILAND & CAMBODIA**