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THE LONDON WEDDING

TUSCAN NUPTIALS

It's true, our love ain't flat

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IT WAS a chance meeting in a flat that led to a Tuscan wedding three years later.

Sara Quiggin, a PR officer, and Max Moore, who runs an online business, now live together in northwest London having met each other through a friend.

"I went to Max's house for lunch as a mutual friend was stopping off from Thailand. That was the only time we could catch each other.

"Max and I met there, and I basically never left his house since," laughs Sara, 31.

Max, also 31, proposed to Sara on her 30th birthday on a weekend trip to Cliveden House. She recalls: "He took me under a

pagoda in the ornamental gardens and proposed. It was a complete surprise. He was even talking about



marriage in the car on the way down and I still didn't realise."

The couple decided to escape from the unpredictable UK weather and headed to Tuscany for their big day. The wedding had a rustic, country feel and they were keen for their guests to enjoy the event.

Friends and family flew out to join Sara and Max in Certaldo, just outside Florence. The couple had an intimate civil ceremony in the town hall on Friday before they exchanged vows in a stunning service on the lawn of Castello di Tavoloso on Saturday.

All 75 guests toasted the couple with prosecco and parmesan before moving to a walled garden with a panoramic view of the rolling hills for an al fresco meal into the sunset.

MAX
&
SARA
12 JAN 2008



CORBIN GURKIN

WEDDING ESSENTIALS

MET

At Max's flat through a mutual friend

FIRST DATE

Paradise Bar in Kilburn

SWEET TREAT

A savoury treat of five tiers of cheese

FIRST DANCE

Toploader - *Dancing In The Moonlight*

FLOWERS

Lily of the Valley and lavender

PHOTOGRAPHER

Corbin Gurkin

WEDDING PLANNERS

Love and Lord

HONEYMOON

A week in Sardinia and a week in Tuscany



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