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Following a stunning ceremony, the glamorous pair celebrated their union with an unforgettable fête. Among the bride's favorite elements were the tables adorned with blooming lavender hydrangeas and supple pink roses that greeted guests in a grand ballroom. "I loved our flowers!" she affirms. Sky-high Roman columns and breathtaking violet lighting completed the sophisticated look of the reception space. A towering alabaster cake provided a focal point for the celebration, each of the five layers relating back to the couple's unique wedding theme. At its base, the cake featured handmade sugar roses adorned with real crystals; the second layer was sculpted to resemble the gathered skirt on Amena's gown. Additional tiers featured the couple's signature "concrete rose" engagement photo, delicate sugar roses, and sparkling crystals.

While the start of their relationship may have been imperfect, Brandon and Amena agree that their wedding day was flawless. To brides and grooms who may feel overwhelmed by the wedding-planning process, Amena offers this advice: "Relax. On your wedding day you won't be concerned about every little detail. You will just feel happy and blessed to have your husband/wife to walk through life with, and you will remember being surrounded by all your loved ones."

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