

# Brides Magazine September 1999

Sally Kilbridge Wedding at Wheatleigh in Lenox, Massachusetts

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## force of nature

**Y**ou could say fate brought Sally Kilbridge and Bob Payne together, but, truth be told, it was El Niño. Almost two years ago, while sailing with fellow journalists on the turquoise waters of the Aegean Sea, they became marooned on a yacht due to a fickle and ferocious storm. Forty-eight hours and many heart-to-heart talks later ("We covered everything from Mark Twain to Tahiti," remembers Sally), a seriously smitten couple emerged. For their September 1999 nuptials, Sally, who, as BRIDE'S managing editor, has seen more than her fair share of weddings, knew exactly what she wanted: an intimate celebration in a grand setting with close family and friends. They chose to exchange vows at Wheatleigh, a 22-acre Renaissance-style resort in the Berkshire mountains of Massachusetts. Throughout the weekend festivities, this select group got cozy fast. "Since there were only nineteen of us," reports Sally, who, like Bob, has been married before, "everyone bonded quickly. And we had time to really enjoy being together." For all concerned, it looks like smooth sailing ahead.



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: THE BRIDE CARRIED CHAMPAGNE ROSES ("BOB'S FAVORITE PART OF MY OUTFIT"), ON THE CEREMONIAL GROUNDS, SALLY PAIRED A NICOL CARAMEL BLOUSE WITH A DRIES VAN NOTEN SKIRT; BOB WORE CLASSIC GRAY PANTS AND A NAVY BLAZER.



LEFT TO RIGHT: BRIDE, GROOM, AND GUESTS DINED AT ONE LONG TABLE, WHICH "MADE EVERYONE FEEL EQUALLY IMPORTANT." INSTEAD OF GLASS VASES, SILVER TEAPOTS AND URNS HELD BUNCHES OF BLUE HYDRANGEAS. THE LAVISH MENU FEATURED FOIE GRAS, LOBSTER, LAMB, AND A TRIO OF FRUIT SORBETS. THE NEWLYWEDS MAKING THEIR EXIT.

