



You might think the Maritime Memorial Park under the Astoria-Megler Bridge would be an unusual location for a wedding, but for Olivia and Chris it made perfect sense. Olivia's father, Capt. Jack Newbold, is honored there with a plaque at the Maritime Memorial Wall. He created the Seamanship Program at Tongue Point Job Corps Center and was the program director for years before his early retirement due to terminal cancer.

Olivia's mom, Leslie Newbold, walked her down the aisle. "I'd always dreamed of my father walking me down the aisle, so this was the next best thing," said Olivia. "My father was very much there in spirit." Even Olivia and Chris' two dogs, Koa and Baysle, were included in the ceremony.

Olivia's wedding dress was a stunning and traditional light blush and maple ivory "fit and flare" Stella York gown with a scalloped sweetheart neckline and intricate lace detail. "The lace latticework reminded me of mermaid netting, which I thought was fitting for our theme and location," Olivia adds. Continuing their Maritime/Hawaiiana theme, they had Noho's Hawaiian Cafe from Portland cater their dinner reception at the Red Building Loft.

Their story is intimately connected with another unique aspect of the North Coast. For their "before" photo-shoot they rode the Glam Tram, the historic 1960 Los Angeles zoo bus repurposed to transport tourists around Astoria. It's now been retired from use, but as Olivia says, "Our bridal party was officially the last group of people to ride the Glam Tram. It actually broke down on us while driving to the wedding, but thank goodness we weren't late—the groomsmen all had to get out and actually push us over a little hill to get it restarted!"

In terms of advice for other couples thinking of a North Coast wedding, Olivia says, "We Coasties are spoiled with such amazing landscape to choose from, so get married outside, have our beautiful PNW nature play a special part in your wedding. It makes for the most incredible photos!" ❤️



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