



*thank you to our family
and friends for sharing
this special day with us*



*a celebration
of love*



Our Ceremony

Chuppah

Our chuppah is open on all sides to welcome family, friends and community to be a part of our lives together. It requires support to hold it up—from the outside by the people in our lives—and internally by our love for each other.

Ketubah

The ketubah is a contract attesting to the commitments we make to each other as a married couple. Rather than use the traditional text, our text reflects how we want to enter into and grow in this marriage. This was signed by both of us, our rabbi, and two witnesses just before this ceremony.

Circling/Hakafot

When we first enter the chuppah, we will circle each other seven times. The number seven parallels the seven days of creation and symbolizes the “new world” we are about to create together.

Blessing Over the Wine

The wedding ceremony begins with the blessing over the wine. This blessing occurs twice in the ceremony. The two cups symbolize joy and sorrow. Though we hope to drink more of the “joy” wine, we acknowledge that a partnership also requires shared hardship to grow stronger.

Ring Exchange

The wedding ring is a symbol of perfection and eternity. Traditionally, the ring is placed on the index finger of the right hand that, according to ancient folklore, is thought to contain an artery that runs directly to the heart. While spoken vows are not a part of Jewish tradition, we have chosen to speak our intentions to each other out loud today as we exchange rings.

Seven Blessings (Sheva Brachot)

With these prayers, the community recites their desires for us, our family, and the world around us.

