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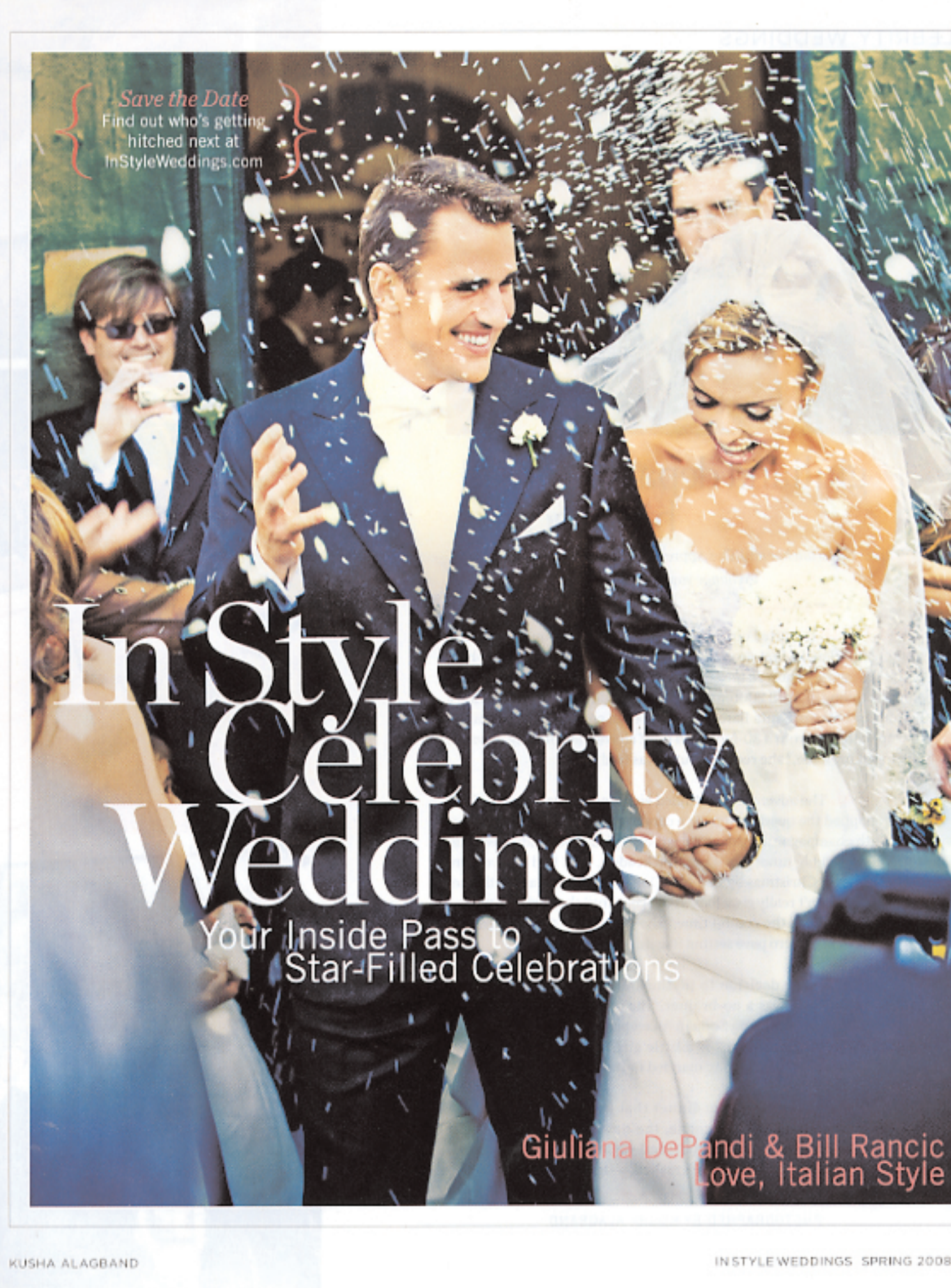
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# In Style Celebrity Weddings

Your Inside Pass to  
Star-Filled Celebrations

Giuliana DePandi & Bill Rancic  
Love, Italian Style



## giuliana depandi & bill rancie

*The E! News anchor and The Apprentice winner  
exchange vows on the Italian island of Capri*

**COURTSHIP** It started out all business: Giuliana DePandi was interviewing Bill Rancie, first-season winner on *The Apprentice* and co-host of the Chicago TV show *In the Loop with iVillage*. But when the cameras stopped rolling in April 2006, a whirlwind—and adventurous—romance began. On a hike in Santa Barbara, Rancie even convinced DePandi, 32, to leap with him from a 30-foot-high bluff above a small body of water. “I banged my knee,” she recalls, “but it was fun!”

**PROPOSAL** The adventure continued eight months later, when Rancie, 36, popped the question during a chopper flight over Chicago, complete with champagne, Giordano’s deep-dish pizza (DePandi’s favorite) and Michael Bublé tunes piped into the headset. “Bill told me we were going to look at Christmas lights,” says DePandi. “It was dark in the helicopter, so I didn’t really get a look at the ring until the next day, when I went into shock for the second time,” she says of the 4-carat cushion-cut diamond in a micro pavé setting Rancie helped design.

**CEREMONY** The decision to tie the knot on September 1 in the bride’s native Italy was a no-brainer. The couple wed in a Catholic ceremony at Chiesa di Santa Sofia in Anacapri; a reception followed at the Grand Hotel Quisisana. “As a little girl,” says Naples-born DePandi, “I fantasized about being married in Italy, specifically Capri.”

**AFTER-PARTY** Following a dinner that included pasta, such as ravioli and paccheri, and pezzogna, the newlyweds ushered their male guests into a Glenlivet scotch-and-cigar bar outside the ballroom, a gathering the ladies later crashed. —Jennifer Muirhead

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*Grapevine created the signature  
drink names and custom silk  
bar signs for Giuliana and Bill!*



DePandi's dream dress was a Monique Lhuillier two-piece organza corset gown.



**1** "I didn't see her until she was walking down the aisle," recalls Rancic. "It was just amazing."  
**2** DePandi played the well-heeled bride in lacy Christian Louboutin pumps. **3** The couple's signature cocktail, the Capri Kiss: prosecco and tiny local strawberries. **4** The bride's father custom-designed the men's tuxedos. **5** Fresh rose petals tapped the strawberry-cream wedding cake.



## STEAL THIS IDEA

Singling out your maid of honor with a color that's different but complementary gown is a stylish way to show how much you appreciate her special role. DePandi's sister, Monica Zuriff (far right), wore a floor-length Oscar de la Renta gown in a bright yellow, a tone that matched the other bridesmaids. "For me, it was about my sister looking like the most important girl there!"



**6** DePandi chose a monochromatic palette of Eustoma russellianum and bouvardia. **7** DePandi took her wedding around town in a Fiat after the ceremony.

