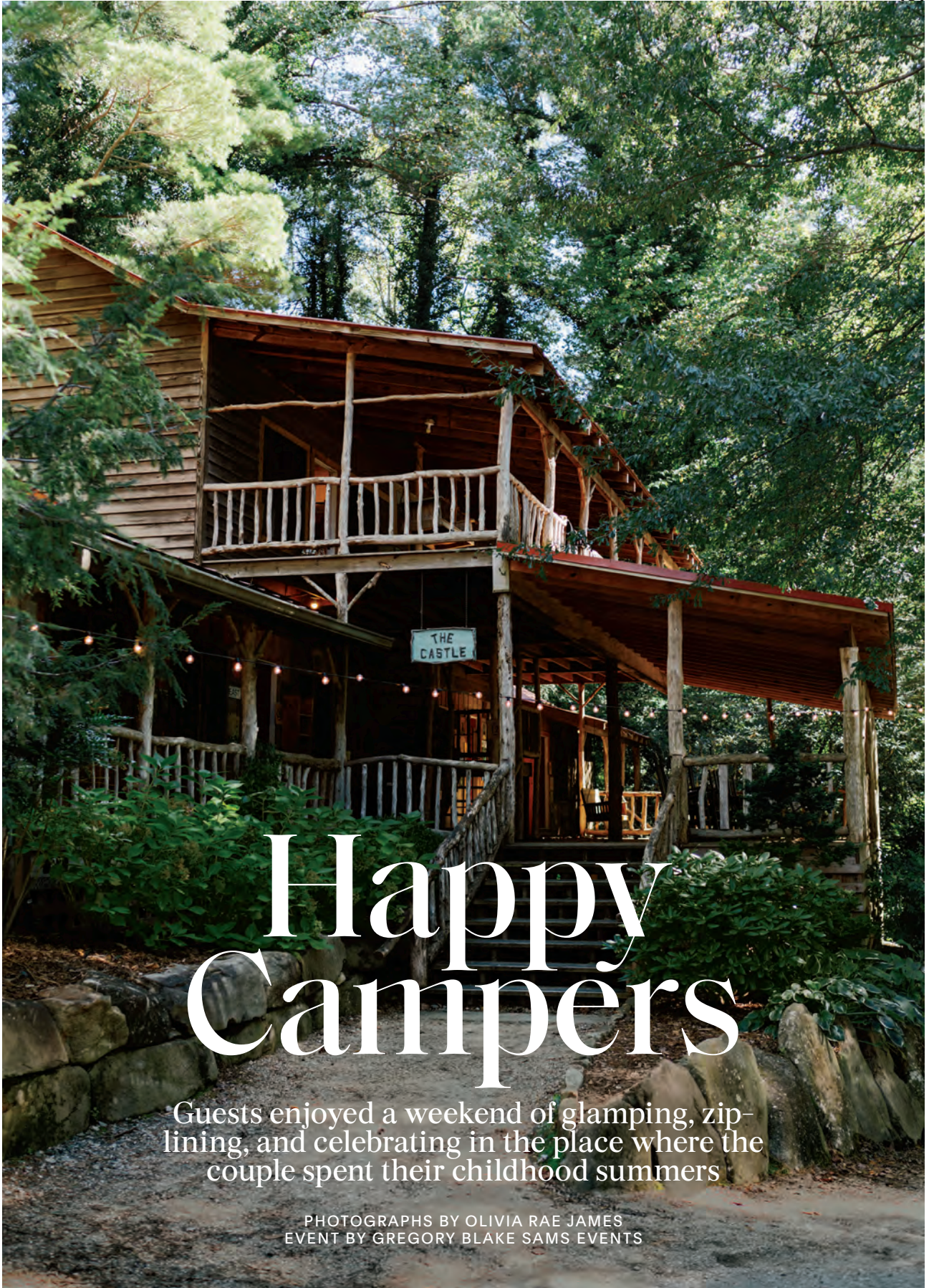


**ALL  
Smiles**

Wearing her favorite color (yellow!) was a must for bride Becca Barnet, so she found a Costarellos design featuring sheer panels and yellow lace online via Net-a-Porter.





# Happy Campers

Guests enjoyed a weekend of glamping, zip-lining, and celebrating in the place where the couple spent their childhood summers

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# INTO THE Woods

The ceremony was set within the camp's council fire, a platformed area surrounded by trees. The space was dressed up with a lush altar and ombré-suede-topped benches. *Below:* The couple's dog Gus acted as their "flower pup."



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Charles Carmody actually married the girl next door—he just didn’t meet her for decades! “We lived side by side every summer for 10 years but never met each other,” says Mary Rebecca “Becca” Barnet, who grew up visiting a neighboring house on Lake Summit in Tuxedo, North Carolina. “Our houses are literally next door to each other but up a mountain, so we share a driveway to go up but there is no reason to go the opposite way!”

Their paths finally crossed in Charleston in 2013, when they met through friends and then bonded when Becca, an artist, was hired to do an installation at the Charleston Music Hall, where Charles is the director. And even then: “We were friends for four years before we started dating,” adds Becca.

When it came time to say “I do” on October 13, 2018, the couple knew exactly where to hold the big event: a venue on the shores of their go-to summertime destination. They chose Camp Greystone for its proximity to the lake, but also because Becca grew up going there as a camper. “We thought renting the camp was a perfect way to bring our friends and families back together at a place where we spent many wonderful summers,” she says. They asked their 380 guests to glamp in the cabins for the weekend and created an itinerary that included everything from a hot-chocolate-filled welcome party to an afternoon of hiking and zip-lining. “We loved the idea of throwing people together to hang out, especially the people we thought would like each other but would never have met otherwise,” Becca says.

For Becca and Charles, every detail had purpose and meaning. The bride donned a tea-length dress in yellow—her favorite color—and bold red lipstick. The couple surprised guests with a lighthearted and sometimes comedic ceremony featuring vows they had written separately and then combined as one “super vow.” And following a five-course meal in the camp’s elegantly draped dining hall, the groom hopped onstage for an impromptu performance of Paul Simon’s “You Can Call Me Al.” Everything came together to create a memorable experience that never lost sight of the couple’s goal: to keep it playful and comfortable. “We so wanted people to feel at home even though they were in the middle of the woods,” Becca says. “Everyone was having the best time.” —Stephanie Cain

## WEDDING TEAM PLANNER

Gregory Blake Sams Events

**VENUE** Camp Greystone

**BRIDE’S DRESS** Costarellos

**GROOM’S ATTIRE** ASOS

**FLORAL DESIGN** Flowershop,

Charleston Stems, Loluma

**CATERING** Cru Catering

**STATIONERY** Mary Mac Wilson

**PHOTOGRAPHY**

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## LIGHTS Aglow

Every element of the wedding design—from the invites to the florals and bites—was meant to be visually “dark and earthy.” The overall feel was also warm and welcoming thanks in part to taper candles at dinner and sparklers later that night.

