

Pirate Nuptials
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Ahoy, Land lovers! Or shall I say Land of Lovers? For who here today cannot feel the emotion of this event touching their heart? Guided by the stars, Bride and Groom have set their sights on the horizon and are about to begin their most glorious adventure yet! Today we will hear their promises to mark a course and share the wheel. The wind that fills their sails today is not hap hazard. It is a gift. The same way that fire is kindled by wind, keeping the fire and passion they feel for one another burning bright will propel them through the seas of life. They know indeed there will be battles to fight, and there may even be times when a mutiny seems inevitable, particularly when the little crew come aboard, so shiver your timbers if you must, but through bad grog and good fortune remember it is all yours together to protect and cherish. So sail from land to land, day to day, experience to experience with your love and your promises as the sea you call your home shining as bright as a gold doubloon in your hearts always!

(Vows & Ring Exchange together)

I B/G take you b/g to be my h/w

My mate for life

As we sail the seas of life

I promise to grow with you in wisdom and love

I shall chart no course that shall put the ship in jeopardy

And be true to you in word and deed

For as long as the sea meets the horizon.

The theft of a heart is a serious matter; therefore yours are each placed in one another's hands for safe keeping. May the promises you make this day lead to a treasure chest that overflows with riches beyond measure of the material world. May your love provide you always a safe harbor through storms, May the sun never set on an unkind word between you and the dawn forever rise on many bright tomorrows.

I now pronounce you are each both Captain and First Mate, husband and wife. You may steal your first kiss!