



**SOMETHING DIFFERENT:** Even the cake for Mick and Tracy's wedding was decorated in the Gothic style



**AND THE GUESTS WORE BLACK:** Mick and Tracy Dale with Tracy's sons Nathan and Danny and their maids of honour



**SKIPPING THE GOTH-TASTIC:** Mick and Tracy are lost in the fun of the event at The Grove Hotel.



**WITH THIS RING:** Mick places the ring on Tracy's finger during their Gothic-style wedding at The Grove Hotel, Cleator, before heading off to Whitby for their mini honeymoon at the town's Gothic Weekend. The unusual wedding included a red and black wedding cake and 'blood' potion bottles made from chilli and spice Sambuca.

# Dream wedding comes true for gothic couple

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A DRAMATIC Victorian gothic themed wedding has been a dream come true for an Egremont couple.

Mick Dale and Tracy Kaneen celebrated their special day in style with family and friends at The Grove, at Cleator.

Their wedding featured extravagant outfits, lavish decorations and a wedding cake – all in gothic style.

Tracy said: "I couldn't have asked for anything more. There wasn't one thing about the whole day that I would have changed. Everyone made an effort to dress up. Right down to the weather, it was perfect.

"The highlights for me were my boys being there to give me away and me saying my vows. The service was fun and relaxed, everyone was laughing, it was lovely."

She said husband Mick, 56, says he was 'gobsmacked' as he saw her walking down the aisle dressed in a stunning red and black wedding

dress. Mick himself sported black leather trousers and a black gothic frill shirt.

Although the service itself was quite traditional, a reading of Kylie Minogue's hit song *I Should Be So Lucky* in poetry form raised a few laughs from guests.

Tracy's sons Nathan and Danny gave her away. The matrons of honour, dressed in all black with black top hats and feathers, were Jacqui Smith, Nicole Moore and Cindy Davies. Tracy's daughter, Ellie was bridesmaid.

The relaxed reception featured a buffet and jam session. Tracy said husband Mick, who is part of the band MT Arms, performed at the reception with guests.

She thanked Sue Archer for making the red and black wedding cake, and Jill Barton who made potion bottles filled with chilli and spice Sambuca to give the impression of blood.

Rachel Chamber, of Sweet Disposition, provided a candy cart at the reception.

Following their big day, the North Road couple honeymooned



**PICTURE PERFECT:** Mick and Tracy are surrounded by the maids of honour as they sign the register during their gothic style at the Grove Hotel

at Whitby Goth weekend. It was extra special for them as Mick proposed to Tracy at Whitby during the Halloween weekend, just six months ago.

This time they stayed in Thorpe Hall, an eerie 17th century Elizabethan manor house. Tracy said the weekend was "absolutely fantastic".



**ONE FOR THE FAMILY ALBUM:** Mick and Tracy pose with the maids of honour

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**THE SIGNING:** Mick and Tracy have a wedding day to remember after their gothic style event which combined with style with humour



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