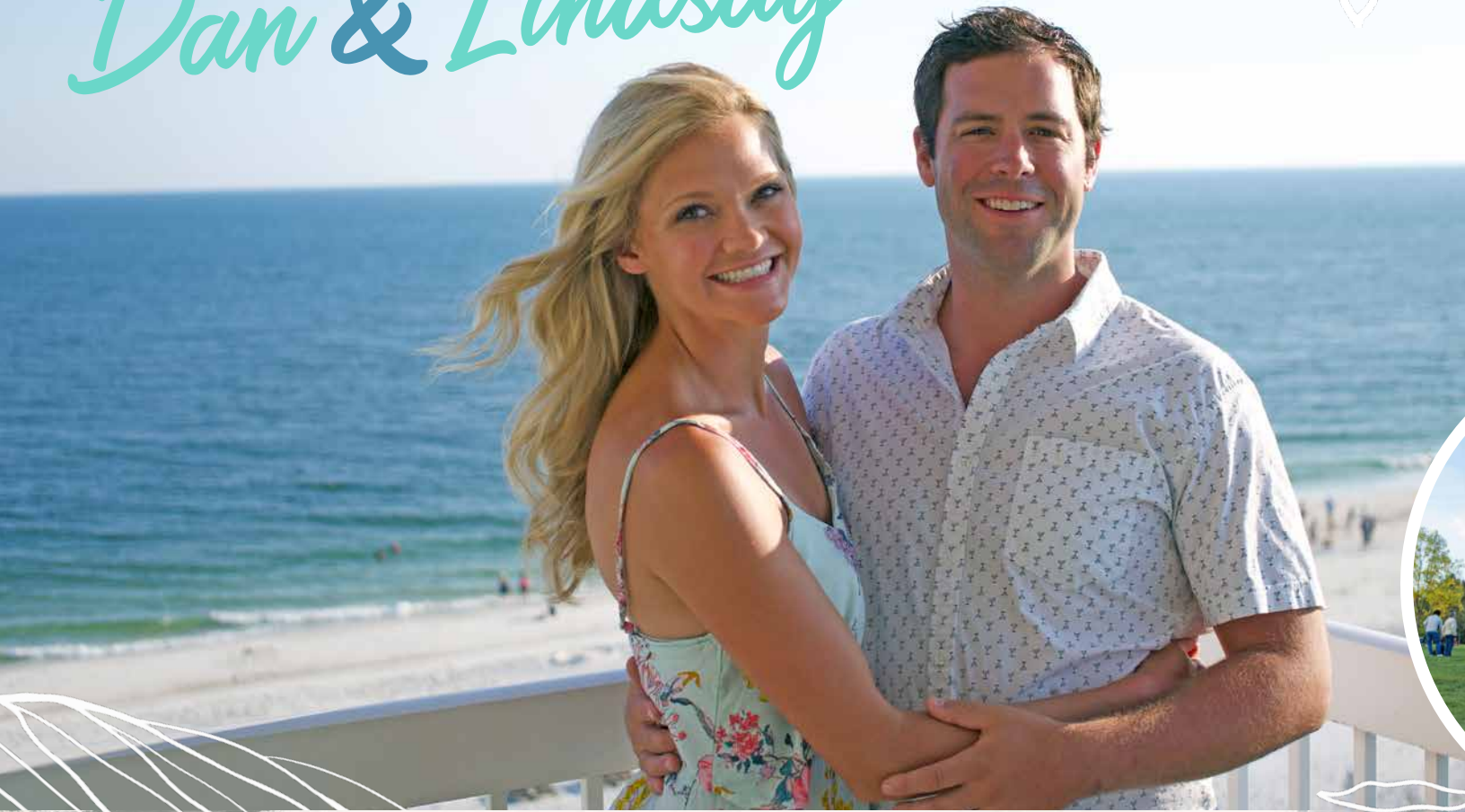


Dan AND *Lindsay*



HI, WE'RE Dan & Lindsay



It's difficult for us to express the joy we feel as we fulfill our greatest desire of being parents, while also expressing our sincerest gratitude for you. **So, first and foremost, thank you for your consideration and time in reading our profile!**

We've learned in life that sometimes the most difficult roads can lead to beautiful destinations. When we found out we weren't able to have biological children together, it felt like we had come to a dead end.

IT TURNS OUT THOUGH, GOD WAS LEADING US on a "detour" and even though we didn't understand it, we chose to have faith and follow it.

Our detour has now led us to our *greatest adventure yet* - growing our family through adoption. We're beyond excited and confident that this is exactly where we're supposed to be. We picture the day that a child is placed in our arms and the instant love we will feel. We know that every step we've had to take will be so worth it!

We've made the decision to adopt because we have so much to share with a child. Being parents is a dream of ours and it doesn't matter to us how it happens. What matters is that we're ready and eager to provide the stability, unconditional love, and nurturing that a child deserves. **We're praying for an open adoption and have so much love in our hearts already for the woman or family who chooses us to parent their child.**



Our Story

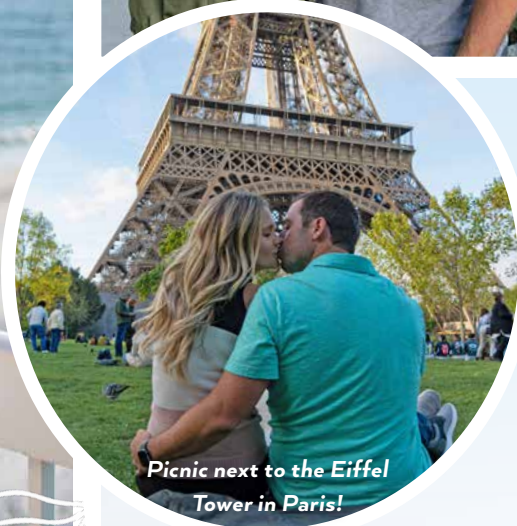
AFTER ALMOST TEN YEARS OF MARRIAGE, WE'RE STILL BEST FRIENDS.

We spend almost every hour of every day together and get along extremely well. Our siblings were high school friends, but we didn't meet until college. We laugh because we don't remember our first date but knew we'd get married after only a few weeks. Something just clicked and if you believe in soul mates, that's how it felt.

We balance each other out perfectly. Lindsay can be a bit of a free spirit and Dan is analytical and strategic. Lindsay is naively optimistic, while Dan is cautiously discerning.

We also have so much fun together! Not a day goes by without making each other laugh and we've made so many fun memories together. From our beautiful beach wedding in Mexico to buying one-way tickets to Costa Rica months later, and spending the past five years traveling all over the world, we've built a strong foundation through our adventures! Traveling has deeply connected us and allowed us to depend on one another in a unique way.

Most importantly, we both have a strong faith and a shared passion for pursuing a life and marriage that reflects and honors God.



Hobbies

Traveling is our absolute favorite thing to do for so many reasons - to explore beautiful scenery, experience new things, spend quality time together, etc. But our favorite thing about traveling is learning about different cultures, meeting new people, and expanding our own perspectives, beliefs, and knowledge of the world we live in. We feel strongly about continuing to travel with our child so we can give them the same opportunities!



MEET

WRITTEN BY
LINDSAY

Dan

DAN IS GOING TO BE THE GREATEST DAD. ♡

He's fun and goofy, can make anyone laugh, but also has the most sensitive, compassionate heart. He stands up for what is right and is the most loyal and honest man. His family and loved ones always come first! He's a hard worker and is always focused on how he can improve himself. I love his passion for learning and growing! He loves trying new things and seeks out activities that challenge him physically and mentally. He's extremely athletic and grew up playing baseball and football. He also has a purple belt in Brazilian Jiu Jitsu, has recently started fly-fishing and loves doing anything outdoors!

Dan in our hometown of Colorado Springs



Dan at Emerald Lake in Banff, Canada



FLOATING IN MONTANA DURING SUNSET



WE WENT SKY DIVING FOR THE FIRST TIME IN KEY WEST, FL

HE'S INSPIRED ME IN SO MANY WAYS AND I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE WHAT AN *amazing role model* he'll be to our future child.



Spending time with Tate, Dan's middle brother's son



Kyla and Dan at a park in Michigan

Careers

We both are grateful that we have found careers that allow us to work from home. We feel strongly about being the primary caregivers for our

MEET

WRITTEN BY
DAN

Lindsay

LINDSAY IS AN INCREDIBLE WOMAN AND I THINK OF HER AS THE "TOTAL PACKAGE." ♡

She's kind, compassionate, gentle, and nurturing; as well as graceful. She has this effortless way and demeanor about her that immediately allows others to relax around her. She is also courageous, strong and tenacious. She loves getting out of her comfort zone and pushing her boundaries. She'd rather face her fears and try something new, than sit on the sidelines. I can't think of a person more suited for parenthood than Lindsay. She's so smart and has a wonderful sense of humor. She lives her life to the fullest and loves spending time with her family and friends, fly fishing, hiking, biking and camping. She really can do it all!

SHE'S A TEACHER, A WIFE, AN ENTREPRENEUR, BUT I AM MOST EXCITED TO WITNESS HER NEXT AND MOST IMPORTANT ROLE AS *a mom.* ♡



Lindsay working remotely from our RV



Lindsay and her sister twins after their school performance



Lindsay's happy place is anywhere outdoors!



THERE IS NO GREATER BACKGROUND FOR A PHOTO THAN LAKE LOUISE IN BANFF, CANADA



LINDSAY LOVES BEING ON THE WATER



Dan got Lindsay "hooked" on fly fishing with him

Something Interesting

We spent the past two years traveling the country full-time while living in an **RV!** We knew we'd love the adventures, but we didn't expect the growth that happened inside of us. Taking a big risk to hit the road changed us. It made us more passionate, intentional, and driven (no pun intended!) people. **We accomplished some of our bucket list items and yet, it brought us back full circle to wanting to grow our family.**



RVing and traveling the country for 2+ years was an incredible adventure!



LINDSAY'S SIDE OF OUR FAMILY



Dan's side of our family having a cook out at Dan's brother's house in Aurora, Colorado



Getting on a boat to hike to a glacier in Glacier National Park!



Grand Canyon was one of the first spots we went to when we hit the road in our RV



We've kayaked in so many different lakes and oceans all over the world including Couer d'Alene, Idaho!

Our Village

WE HAVE A BIG, CLOSE, LOVING FAMILY WHO HAS ALWAYS SUPPORTED US IN EVERYTHING.

They are eagerly waiting to welcome and love not only our future child, but the family that he/she comes from as well! We believe that family is about love and acceptance, not genetics. We also believe that family always comes first, no matter what. Both of us are very close to our parents and siblings and consider them our best friends.

We were both raised by amazing parents and feel fortunate to have had such good upbringings. We hope to be as amazing as our parents are.

They will also be loved by 4 uncles, 4 aunts, and have tons of cousins to play with. We have 3 nieces and 5 nephews (plus one on the way!)

all under the age of 11. Our family gets together often, has family dinners and game nights, and can always count on one another for support.

We go camping together a few times every summer at the same lake Lindsay grew up camping at as a child. We never miss the chance to celebrate birthdays, holidays, and special events together. We take up entire rows at the kids school programs and sporting events. The closeness we share is truly unique and there is never a shortage of love.

Our time together is always filled with laughter and fun, no matter what we're doing.



A helicopter ride in Maui with Dan's parents



Lindsay and her sisters, Julie and Michelle



We're never too old to participate in a Nerf War!

Colorado WILL ALWAYS BE OUR Home

IT'S WHERE WE BOTH GREW UP AND WHERE OUR ENTIRE FAMILY LIVES.

We love the laid-back lifestyle that it offers, along with the opportunities to be outside year-round. Having grown up in the same city, we have very strong ties to the community and a wonderful support network here. **It will be so special to share so many parts of our childhood with our son or daughter.**

Another reason we love Colorado is that it's centrally located and allows us to easily take road trips to other parts of the country! As strange as it sounds, we can feel at home anywhere with all the traveling we've done and the connections we've made to people and places all over the world.



WE LOVE LIVING IN COLORADO!

OUR IDEA OF HOME IS being together because no matter where we are, together we feel SAFE AND LOVED and that is what "home" is all about, in our opinion



WINTER IN COLORADO



Pets

We have two sweet dogs, Kyla and Pepper. Kyla is an 11-year-old Australian Shepherd who loves watching TV and stand up paddle boarding with Lindsay. Pepper is a snuggly 8-year-old Black Lab mix who can't get enough of playing fetch. They come along on all our adventures! If we can love dogs this much, we can't imagine the love we'll have for a child!



One of the many family hikes we've taken in Garden of the Gods in our hometown

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Closing



Since following our detour, we've realized it was the path we were meant to take all along. It's led us here today, to you, and someday to a beautiful child.

As parents, we hope to instill confidence in our child and the courage and determination to dream big! We will

love and support them no matter what and raise them to be kind and accepting of others. In addition to a warm and loving home, we hope to give them an abundance of experiences and memories!

We hope to have an open relationship with you and your family so you can continue to play an important role in your

child's life. You'll always be important to us and we will raise your child to respect and honor you. They will always know that they are a child of God, a gift from their birth parents, and a blessing to us.

THANK YOU AGAIN FOR LETTING US SHARE OUR *hearts* with you.