# **BECKY+SERINE**

## growing our family







### our lifestyle

We first became friends in high school, and our lives continued to intersect until we fell in love. We were married on a sailboat surrounded by close friends and family. Becky has a master's degree in archaeology and art history; she has split her time working between museums, field archaeology, and the medical field. Serine has a successful business managing a company's sourcing, sales, and marketing efforts. We are very fortunate that our careers have allowed us to travel globally, to experience different cultures, and to visit family and friends around the world. We are raising our four-yearold daughter together, and having her is the most amazing adventure we have ever shared. Becoming parents has been our biggest dream come true, and our lives are so rich and full. Our daughter is very excited to have a younger sibling, and we can't wait to grow our family. We are a loving, close family who truly enjoy being together, and we embrace life fully.

#### **OUR HOME & NEIGHBORHOOD**

We live in a three-bedroom home on 22 wooded acres in a rural neighborhood in New England, in a close-knit community with great schools nearby. We are located two miles from a natural lake for swimming, boating, or fishing and a short drive from the ocean. We nurture a large vegetable garden in the summer; have a beautiful outdoor space for entertaining or playing with our daughter and our two rescue dogs, Floyd and Baxter; and enjoy regular hikes or cross-country skiing into the woods from our backyard. We have a small sledding hill on our property for winter fun and always chop down our own Christmas tree from our property. In the summer, we enjoy dinner on our deck, bonfires, and relaxing in the hot tub.



#### WHAT WE LOVE ABOUT EACH OTHER

We have known one another since we were teenagers, and we were friends for years before we fell in love. We are actually more in love now and very secure in our relationship, having faced life challenges together through the years. Serine loves that Becky is so kind, open and loving, affectionate, easy to laugh, and incredibly smart. The way she plays with our daughter is beautiful, and she can fix anything, has such a keen sense of adventure, and is such a great artist and crafter. Becky loves that Serine is so confident, her intelligence, that she loves adventure and spontaneity, that she is such a great planner, the way she secures our family's future, what an amazing mother she is to our daughter, and the way she inspires others. We are a great complement to one another, balancing each other's strengths and weaknesses, and our love and friendship have grown so much over our years together. We both feel so lucky to share life's adventures together.







# OUR LIFE together



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Occupation:	EVP home, global sales, supply chain
Education:	Bachelor's degree in Communications/Film
Race:	Caucasian
Religion:	Spiritual/Non-denomination
Sport:	Soccer, hiking, scuba diving, swimming
Food:	Seafood, homegrown vegetables, fruit
Hobby:	Photography, traveling, gardening, playing piano
Tradition:	Family dinners, themed birthday parties
Musical Group:	Bluegrass, blues, opera, fiddle music
Movie:	Wicked, Disney/Pixar
Dream Vacation:	French Polynesia, Greece, Japan, Scandinavia
Holiday:	Christmas, Easter, Thanksgiving
TV Show:	Murder She Wrote, The Way Home
ubject in School:	English, creative writing, anthropology, film
Book:	Eat, Pray, Love, anything by Agatha Christie









# OUR FAMILY + *friends*

We both grew up in close-knit families. Becky has two brothers and one sister, several nieces and nephews, and close extended family on both sides. We share vacations, holidays, and family traditions together, and our daughter is close to her aunt, uncles, and cousins. Becky learned her love of camping and the outdoors from her parents and still enjoys fishing with her dad and sister. Becky has wonderful memories of preparing traditional foods with her mother and aunts as a child and keeps her mother's rich Mexican-American culinary heritage alive in our home.

Serine grew up in a tight-knit family with a younger sister, grandparents next door, lots of cousins, and several aunts and uncles. She traveled frequently growing up, spending time with family in Norway, where her father was born. Serine's sister lives nearby and is a large part of our daughter's life. Though extended family is farther away, we visit them in Norway and across the country at least once each year, and they visit our home for holidays and summer vacations. Serine's father lived his last few years with us before he passed, and having this time with him was a true gift for our family.











We can't begin to express our gratitude that you are considering us as potential parents for your child. Adoption has touched both of our families in different ways, and we know how incredibly difficult this decision must be for you. We have dreamed of expanding our family through adoption for many years, and our dream would not be possible without you and this selfless choice you are considering.

We promise we will love your child completely and unconditionally. Your child will grow up in a home filled with love, stability, family, fun and laughter, adventure, and the opportunity to follow their dreams, whatever they may be. We are excited to share our love of the outdoors, respect for all living things, love of travel and global cultures, and passion for music, dancing, and the arts. Your child will always feel heard and will always know unconditional love.

Throughout our journey together, you will always have our deepest respect and appreciation, and we will support your choices in any way possible. We want you to play as much of a role in your child's life as you feel is right, and our family will always be grateful for your courageous decision.

With Love,



