

SUMMER AT CHARLOTTE'S

OFFICIAL TITLE: Summer at Charlotte's

LOGLINE:

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SHORT SYNOPSIS:

To escape the urban rat race and plan her upcoming wedding, Summer (30's) spends her time at her childhood cottage where she rediscovers her true identity when reconnecting with Dev (30's) a long-time friend and her grandmother. Now Summer must face a tough decision, to continue living a life where she doesn't feel seen or heard, or listen to her instincts.

LONG SYNOPSIS:

Summer lives an affluent and upscale life in Chicago. While planning her upcoming wedding the stress of starting a new life with her fiancé becomes too much to navigate and Summer strikes off to a family lakeside cottage. Her grandmother Charlotte, a classic and caring grandmother, welcomes her with open arms as does Betty, Grandma "Char's" witty and boisterous best friend. After a few days of rest and relaxation Summer starts in on the task of planning her wedding, but unknowingly to her, Dev a childhood friend has also returned to the lake to spend time painting in his rustic art studio.

Summer and Dev hit it off quickly and their relationship seems like it has never changed. Together they fall into old patterns of summer fun; late night campfires, hearty home cooking and dockside conversations. Slowly it becomes apparent that Summer is not happy living in the city, where she had lost connection to her roots, heritage and authentic self. Charlotte and Betty offer sage advice to Summer hoping that she will follow her instincts.

During one late night campfire, neighbourhood friends ask how the wedding planning is going, in front of Dev. Up until this point Dev had not known about Summer's upcoming nuptials. He is devastated, but as a true gentleman he keeps his emotions in check and supports Summer in her decisions. Summer sees the damage that has been done, attempts to repair her relationship with Dev. After honest conversations and heartfelt discussions, Dev once again trusts Summer.

Without any notice Aren, Summer's fiancé, arrives after a work trip is cut short. Aren has come to the lake to bring Summer back to the city, but she is unwilling to return. Like the true entrepreneur Aren is, he thinks on the fly and convinces Summer to have the wedding at the cottage rather than the big glamour city wedding.

As the wedding date closes in, Summer becomes entangled in an internal fight where she must re-discover her true self, understand her authentic emotions and visualize the future she really

wants, grandmother Charlottes offers the best advice one can give. "Think about a life you want, and a life that makes you want to get out of bed every day." Summer now knows the life she wants and must negotiate her way to that point. With two very different but equally fulfilling choices in front of her, what choice will she make?

100 Character Logline:

A woman's thoughts about her wedding and life are challenged when she reconnects with her first love.

60 Character Logline:

A woman's wedding is in jeopardy during a summer vacation