

Neil & Katie

Hello...

And thank you so much for taking the time to read our profile! We are Neil and Katie; together since 2014 and married since 2017.

Since we met, we have had some amazing experiences together, including spending three years living in Africa, where we managed a safari lodge and set up a small children's charity. Now settled back in BC, we are so excited about the thought of adding a new member to our family to share in our adventures!



Making music



Neil:

Job: bricklayer/stonemason
Favourite things: being outdoors, travel, snowboarding, playing guitar, hiking, sports, yoga



Katie:

Job: teacher working with autistic students
Favourite things: yoga, hiking, being in nature, travel, playing piano, cooking

Family is very important to us. Both our families are super supportive and already so excited about our adoption plans; we know they will welcome any new arrival with joy. We always felt that adoption was the path for us to follow, and we have so much love to give any child that we might be blessed with.



Our home in the sunny Okanagan

Home is where our hearts are. We have a comfortable and cozy home on an acreage surrounded by nature. We love to spend time exploring the woods and lakes close to our home, taking long walks with our dog, Alfie, and growing vegetables and herbs in our vegetable garden.



Enjoying a visit to the UK



Life in Africa



Our wedding in summer 2017

We believe that life is there to be lived, and we place a huge value on **time spent together** and experiences shared. We can't wait to share this with a child, and to see the world through their eyes! Life would be filled with lots of creative play and learning through exploring; encouraging the child's curiosity and imagination.



On vacation at Christina Lake

We have a supportive network of friends in our **community**, and we make the most of everything our area has to offer – ski hills, beaches, mountain hikes, camping trips, and more. Several of our friends have children and we love spending time with them, as well as with our niece and nephew. We believe in living a life with lots of time spent in nature, eating healthy home-cooked food, and spending quality time together as a family.

Our **commitment** to you..

We can't pretend to understand how difficult this decision must be for you, and we honour your choices. We would plan to be fully open with the child about where they come from. It is so important to us that, as the adoption journey moves along, we create the level of openness that is right for everyone. We look forward to the opportunity to discuss this with you.



Our arts charity: Creative Canvas Uganda

Thank you so much for considering us!