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CELEBRITIES LEE SEUNG-HYUN & QI WEI WED IN SAIPAN

Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (NMI) – South Korean singer-actor Lee Seung-Hyun and Chinese singer-actress Qi Wei were married on Aug. 2, 2014, (Chinese Valentine's Day) in Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands.

Lee surprised his bride with an intimate beach wedding at the Hafadai Beach Hotel, secretly bringing her mother to join a small group of close friends at the informal occasion. The trip to Saipan was originally planned as a working vacation get away but Lee surprised Qi Wei with a proposal while walking along the white sand beach.

"We congratulate Lee Seung-Hyun and Qi Wei on their star-crossed wedding, and we are delighted that they chose to start their new life together with a lovely beach ceremony in Saipan," said Marianas Visitors Authority Marketing Manager Bruce Bateman.

The celebrity couple came to Saipan for filming a music video with a production crew and a major Chinese fashion magazine. Qi Wei most recently starred in the TV Series "Love is Back" in 2014 and the movie "Zuo Ci You Qian Ren" in 2013. She has more than 20 million followers on her social media Weibo page in China. Lee most recently appeared in the movie "Love Squares."

The event was held in cooperation with travel.sina.com.cn. The news about the couple's surprise beach wedding on Saipan was released in China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan. Island

wedding ceremony photos were published on photo.sina.com.cn (http://slide.ent.sina.com.cn/star/w/slide_4_704_86671.html#p=2) and other websites.

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