

## Adoption Profile Book - Content

### 1. Family photo "Allison & Neil"

### 2. Welcome page

Hello!

We appreciate you taking the time to learn more about our family. We know this is a huge decision and we are happy to provide any information about us that you need. We hope this profile is the first step in our families getting to know each other. We are an open book and look forward to getting to know you too.

Allison & Neil

### 3. Our Story

We have been married 11 years and together for 16! Our story began as a friendship. As fate would have it, we both went to college in Washington, D.C. and met on move-in day!

Neil made waffles every Thursday for all our friends, and over time, our friendship grew into love. Starting as best friends laid a strong foundation for our relationship, helping us face life's challenges with laughter, patience, and unwavering support.

Our most rewarding chapter has been becoming parents. We were told having children was never a possibility. We've seen how much love we have to give, and we know there's space in our lives and hearts for another child to be just as treasured.

We hope to grow our family through adoption. We know our family isn't yet complete, and we look forward to pouring our love and attention into another little one.

Our family values include: kindness, curiosity and making life fun.

### 4. Meet Allison

Hometown: Orlando, Florida

Job: Environmental Advisor

Favorite color: yellow

Favorite food: chips & salsa

Favorite book: Babysitters club

Favorite movie: Clueless

Hobbies: baking, gardening, hiking, volunteering with dog rescues

Childhood Activities: gymnastics, student government, baseball, lacrosse, piano

In Neil's Words: Allison is a very kind and caring mom. She has a gentle and free spirit and approaches life with optimism and humor. She is passionate about helping others, and always cared about working with children. When we first met she volunteered with a children's reading program. To this day, she beams with pride when she tells stories about those kids.

Favorite quote: Do your little bit of good where you are; it's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world. -Desmond Tutu

### 5. Meet Neil

Hometown: Boston

Job: Project Manager  
Favorite color: green  
Favorite food: coconut cake  
Favorite book: The Hobbit  
Favorite movie: The Lord of the Rings  
Hobbies: video games, painting miniatures  
Childhood Activities: swim, soccer, jazz band (saxophone)

In Allison's words:

Neil is hilarious, has the type of belly laugh that is contagious, is wicked smart, and very patient. I'm so proud of him for being a stay at home dad for three years so I could follow my dreams and grow my career. He is the best "girl dad," always happy to paint his nails and practice new hair styles, even learning to braid hair!

Favorite sibling memory:

We love to debate what constitutes a sandwich, playing board games, and hosting marathon game nights for our friends.

6. Meet Ada "future big sister"

Age: 4

When I grow up I want to be: a helicopter pilot with a pink ponytail

Favorite color: red and pink

Favorite Disney character: Moana

Favorite book: Richard Scarry "What do people do all day?"

Favorite food: hamburgers, edamame

Favorite song: Shake it off

Hobbies: gymnastics, soccer, swim class

7. Our home & community

We live in Central Florida. We have a tight-knit group of friends nearby for pool parties or trick-or-treating with. Family is a short drive away, making birthday parties and holidays easy to host! We love Central Florida because we are close to everything we love: Parks, beaches, and family!

Our home has a playset and a new pool (with a baby fence). We have a tree swing, a fairy garden, and citrus trees we planted as a family. Our neighborhood is lined with shade trees, has a beautiful pond, and is filled with young families.

Our home also includes a few animal friends! We have a sweet dog named Betty, a cuddly cat named Opal, and pet fish that our daughter takes great care of.

8. Our People

We both grew up in big families, surrounded by siblings, cousins and family friends that became "chosen family." Allison's siblings are her closest friends, especially her twin sister. The whole year is spent planning a week-long sibling gathering at a beach house. Neil is the youngest sibling in his family which gifted us the tremendous experience of being Aunts & Uncles to three beautiful nieces and nephews.

On Sisterhood

To Allison, sisterhood represents the very best memories from her childhood: we did everything together, and while we were competitive, we loved and protected each other fiercely.

We hope to cultivate a sisterhood that is rooted in love, joy, and happy memories.

“An older sister is a friend and defender—a listener, conspirator, a counselor and a sharer of delights. And sorrows too.”

If you choose to place your daughter with us, she will be the missing piece to our story - and cherished and celebrated for her uniqueness is what makes her special.

9. Our Promise to you

It takes a village to raise a child. Your child will always be surrounded by unconditional love and support. We promise your child will be raised to be strong, confident, caring, and kind. They will always know the importance and love of family, and this will always include you. We promise to give your child the best of ourselves and always put their needs first. We will honor your wishes for openness and always respect the role you played in our family's story.

We will forever appreciate and honor the opportunity you have given us. Please know that no matter what, our family is your family.

With love,  
Allison & Neil

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