



Wedding Planning Checklist

10-12 months before:

- **Select your wedding date.**
- Decide on your wedding budget.
- Start a wedding planning folder.
- **Book your ceremony venue.**
- **Book your reception venue.**
- Hire a wedding planner if you feel you need one.
- Decide on the number of guests.
- Begin planning your guest list.
- **Hire your Officiant**
- Research photographers, caterers, florists, bakeries and musicians/DJs.
- Choose a color scheme.

6-8 months before:

- Hire a photographer.
- Hire a videographer.
- Hire a florist and decorator.
- **Choose and purchase a wedding dress and accessories.**
- Select bridesmaids' and groomsman's clothing.
- Complete guest list.

- Book music and reception entertainment.
- Start a bridal registry.
- Set up a wedding website.
- Meet with caterers and plan menu.
- Start honeymoon plans.
- Mail save-the-date cards.

4-6 months before:

- Order tuxedos.
- Book your hair salon and make-up appointment and also arrange practice run.
- Purchase invitations and matching thank you cards.
- Finalize honeymoon plans, book tickets, etc.
- **Meet with Officiant.**
- Reserve venue rentals (linens, decorations and centerpieces)
- Choose and book a florist.
- Hire wedding day transportation.
- Order wedding cake.
- Purchase toasting flutes, unity candle set, flower girl basket, ring bearer pillow.
- Make appointments for dress fittings.
- Choose music.
- Order wedding favors or candy buffet
- Book venues for rehearsal and dinner.

2-4 months before:

- **Finalize timeline and order of ceremony.**
- **Finalize ceremony readings.**
- Arrange reception toasts.
- Purchase rings.
- Finalize schedule with all vendors.
- Address invitations.
- Purchase attendants' gifts.
- Arrange engagement announcement in local papers.
- Notify participants of rehearsal date and time.

2 months before:

- **Obtain marriage license.**
- **Mail invitations.**
- Confirm honeymoon arrangements.

- Arrange final wedding dress fitting.
- Begin list to record gifts received.
- Finalize seating chart.
- Prepare wedding program.
- Meet with photographer to discuss details.
- Review band or DJ playlist.

1 month before:

- Review RSVPs and finalize attendees.
- Stock reception bar.
- Confirm times with hair salon and all vendors.
- Write and learn vows.
- Pick up wedding dress.

1-2 weeks before:

- Pack for honeymoon.
- Break-in wedding shoes (bride and groom).
- Send final head count to caterers.
- Write rehearsal dinner toasts.
- Place checks in envelopes for fees due on wedding day.
- Arrange final consultations with vendors.

Your wedding day is finally here!

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