

Wedding Checklist

9-12 Months Before the Wedding

- ❖ Announce the engagement to family & friends
- ❖ Plan an engagement party
- ❖ Create a budget
- ❖ Set a wedding date
- ❖ Book ceremony and reception venue
- ❖ Hire a wedding planner
- ❖ Start a guest list

6-9 Months Before the Wedding

- ❖ Send save the dates
- ❖ Start shopping for wedding dress, veil, shoes, jewelry, etc.
- ❖ Select bridesmaid dresses
- ❖ Hire florist for center pieces, bouquets, and arrangements
- ❖ Hire photographer and/or videographer
- ❖ Hire DJ or band
- ❖ Select an officiant
- ❖ Book hotel for out-of-town guests - don't forget to ask about special room blocks!
- ❖ Book Bridal Suite
- ❖ Plan honeymoon
 - ❖ Research destinations
 - ❖ Book airfare
 - ❖ Book accommodations
 - ❖ Determine if passport, visa, or immunizations will be needed

4-6 Months Before the Wedding

- ❖ Sign up for one or more gift registries
- ❖ Design & order wedding invitations
- ❖ Taste test & order wedding cake
- ❖ Discuss and finalize catering menu
- ❖ Select rental items if needed (tables, chairs, dishware, serving tables)
- ❖ Purchase wedding rings
- ❖ Organize and order groomsmen apparel
- ❖ Select groom's tux
- ❖ Plan bachelorette party & bridal shower (or confirm dates if someone is planning for you!)
- ❖ Research ideas for wedding hair & makeup
- ❖ Select helpers if needed for ceremony (readers, musicians, ushers, etc.)

2-4 Months Before the Wedding

- ❖ Finalize guest list
- ❖ Send out invitations 8 weeks before the wedding
- ❖ Select music for ceremony, reception, etc
- ❖ Book makeup artist and hairstylist
- ❖ Order wedding favors
- ❖ Organize wedding transportation
- ❖ Is there transportation to and from airport?
- ❖ Is there transportation to and from the venue?
- ❖ Purchase bridal party gifts
- ❖ Check & update registry

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1-2 Months Before the Wedding

- ❖ Have final bridal gown fitting
- ❖ Design wedding programs
- ❖ Finalize ceremony (readings, songs, officiant, etc)
- ❖ Write vows
- ❖ Prepare photo and video shot list

3-4 Weeks Before the Wedding

- ❖ Get marriage license
- ❖ Send out rehearsal dinner invitations
- ❖ Meet with makeup artist & hairstylist to finalize hair and makeup
- ❖ Have a final venue walk-through with all vendors

1-2 Weeks Before the Wedding

- ❖ Make final payments for all services
- ❖ Finalize wedding day schedule and share with vendors and wedding party
- ❖ Pick up wedding dress if needed
- ❖ Give caterer/reception venue final head count
- ❖ Reconfirm all plans with service providers (DJ, venue sites, florists, photographer, musicians, etc)
- ❖ Finalize seating arrangements
- ❖ Confirm all rental delivery times
- ❖ Prepare place cards
- ❖ Pack for wedding and honeymoon!

The Day Before the Wedding

- ❖ Prepare payment envelopes
- ❖ Rehearse ceremony with wedding party and officiant
- ❖ Give rings to best man
- ❖ Get manicure and pedicure
- ❖ Confirm flight arrangements for honeymoon

The Big Day

- ❖ Relax, have a glass of champagne, and get ready with hair and makeup. Make sure to eat something!
- ❖ Say 'I do!'
- ❖ Enjoy the reception

After the Wedding

- ❖ Get wedding gown cleaned & stored
- ❖ Preserve bouquet
- ❖ Write and send thank-you notes
- ❖ Apply for & finalize name change, joint bank accounts, etc.
- ❖ Meet with photographer/videographer to receive photos, albums, and video