



*THE ULTIMATE*

# WEDDING PLANNING

*TIMELINE AND CHECKLIST*

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PHOTOGRAPHY

## 16-12 MONTHS

- Choose a date
- Talk about budget
- Decide wedding style
- Make guest list
- Check out venues
- Start finding your dream vendors
- Engagement photos
- Create wedding website
- Browse save the dates
- Research dresses/tuxes/suits you like
- Make a wedding board on pinterest

## 11-10 MONTHS

- Hire vendors
- Book your venue(s)
- Purchase dress, if applicable
- Order Save the Dates
- Book Officiant
- Choose wedding party attire

## 9-8 MONTHS

- Browse invitation designs
- Refine guest list
- Create gift registry
- Mail Save the Dates
- Begin planning honeymoon
- Research lodging for your out-of-town guests

## 7-6 MONTHS

- Reserve rentals
- Book transportation to and from venues
- Research wedding day hair and makeup styles
- Meet with officiant to discuss the run down of the ceremony
- Decide groomsmen attire
- Order invitation suites
- Order thank you cards
- Purchase wedding bands
- Choose cake styles and schedule tastings

## 5-4 MONTHS

- Order wedding cake
- Meet with florist
- Schedule attire fittings
- Book honeymoon flights and hotels
- Book room for the wedding night
- Prepare a playlist for DJ/band
- Finalize guest list
- Make rehearsal dinner guest list
- Order rehearsal invites
- Book rehearsal venue

## 3 MONTHS

- Hair and makeup trial
- Finalize readers and readings for ceremony
- Finalize honeymoon plans and get any documents
- Purchase toasting flutes, serving pieces, guestbook, flower basket, and ring pillow
- Plan reception seating
- Finalize reception menu
- Order menu cards
- Take a drink, you have definitely earned one

## 2 MONTHS

- Mail wedding invitations
- Begin writing vows
- Review ceremony details with officiant
- Finalize seating charts
- Apply for marriage licence
- Buy gifts for wedding party and guests
- Finalize fittings for wedding party & parents
- Finalize the timeline
- Pick out something old, new, borrowed, and blue
- Treat yo self. Spa day!

## 1 MONTH

- Final attire fitting
- Pick up marriage license
- Confirm date, time and location with all vendors
- Confirm honeymoon reservations
- Pick up wedding rings
- Order wedding programs
- Write thank you notes as gifts are received
- Pre-wedding adventure session if you booked one

## 2 WEEKS

- Break in wedding shoes
- Follow up on RSVP's
- Give final guest count
- Get hair cut/color
- Update registries
- Send directions to driver

## 1 WEEK

- Prepare emergency kit
- Give photographer & videographer requests
- Give readers scripts
- Prepare final payments for vendors and tips for service personnel
- Lay out wedding clothes

## DAY BEFORE

- Wedding rehearsal
- Treat yo self!
- Thank everyone around you
- Get to bed at a decent hour!

## WEDDING DAY!

- ☐ Eat a good breakfast
- ☐ Stay off your feet as much as possible
- ☐ Allow plenty of time to get ready
- ☐ STAY HYDRATED
- ☐ Take attire out of bag, steam if needed
- ☐ Give officiant fee & rings to best man
- ☐ Exchange notes with fiancée
- ☐ Lay out any items you want captured for your detail photos
- ☐ Relax, smile, and soak everything in!

## BEYOND THE WEDDING

- ☐ Ensure all rentals have been returned
- ☐ Get wedding attire to the cleaners
- ☐ Send thank you cards no later than 3 weeks after wedding

# YOU DID IT!

*YOU MADE IT! THIS CAN SEEM LIKE A LOT, BUT WITH A GOOD SYSTEM AROUND YOU AND A LIST TO KEEP YOU ORGANIZED, YOUR DAY WILL GO OFF WITHOUT A HITCH!*

