

10-12 Months Before

- Announce your engagement
- Figure out your budget
- Start dress shopping
- Create a guest list
- Select a tentative date
- Choose your bridal party
- Start looking & book your venue
- Book your ceremony location & rehearsal time
- Send out save-the-dates
- Set up wedding website

6-9 Months Before

- Hit the gym!
- Research honeymoon locations and pricing
- Start researching flowers & bouquets you like
- Start meeting with caterers
- Research wedding photographers & videographers
- Compile a "must-have" list of photos to give to your photographer
- Research DJs
- Order your gown, veil, shoes & accessories
- Order bridesmaids dresses
- Book your honeymoon
- Choose your officiant
- Reserve rooms for out-of-town guests

4-5 Months Before

- Pick out wedding invitations
- Research wedding cake designs & bakers
- Taste testing
- Discuss menu with caterers
- Order wedding rings
- Confirm bridal shower & bachelorette party dates
- Start registry
- Finalize wedding cake
- Reserve rental equipment (tables, chairs, tents)
- Book rehearsal dinner

2-3 Months Before

- Research hair & makeup ideas. Book hairstylist for you and your wedding party for the big day.
- Finalize guest list & send out invitations
- Make nail and spa appointments for you and your bridal party
- Order wedding favors, bridal party gifts, champagne glasses, cake knife, etc.)
- Purchase wedding accessories (candles, ring pillow, flower basket, guest book)
- Order groomsmen tuxes
- Finalize wedding day transportation
- Select music for ceremony, cocktail hour & reception
- Mail out wedding invitations (AT LEAST 2 months before)

1-2 Months Before

- Gown fitting
- Create photo & video shot list (important family)
- Finalize seating arrangements
- Research where to get your marriage license

3-4 Weeks Before

- Finalize something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue
- Confirm honeymoon arrangements
- Call guests who haven't RSVP'd
- Pick up wedding rings
- Get your marriage license
- Hair & makeup trial
- Purchase flip-flops/ mints etc. for guest powder room

1-2 Weeks Before

- Final gown fitting
- Finalize your wedding-day schedule & share with everyone
- Confirm hair & makeup appointments.
- Confirm transportation pickup times for the wedding
- Confirm final head count and give number to vendors and caterers
- Gather together your marriage license, ring pillow, guest book, candles, flower basket in one bag
- Gather all wedding favors in one bag
- Prepare place cards and menu cards for reception
- Confirm all hotel reservations
- Make a copy of the wedding day itinerary for your bridal party and wedding assistants

The Day Before

- Prepare a list of, and all the payment envelopes for all your vendors (including tips)
- Get manicures & pedicures with your bridal party
- Wedding rehearsal & rehearsal dinner
- Confirm honeymoon arrangements
- Prepare a bridal emergency kit
- Prepare a list of all your vendors with phone numbers
- Arrange get-away car for after the reception. Make sure all your honeymoon luggage, tickets and essentials are in there

The Big Day!

- Be sure to wear a button-down shirt for your hair & makeup appointment

DON'T FORGET TO RELAX AND HAVE FUN!!

After The Big Day

- Get your dress cleaned & preserved
- Make a list of who gave you what gift and send thank-you cards
- Meet with photographer & videographer to finalize albums and videos

The Wedding Planning Checklist

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