

## month-by-month wedding planner

### 6-12 months

- Choose a date and location
- Create a notebook to keep organized
- Set your budget
- Compile the guest list
- Send "save the date" cards to potential guests
- Reserve ceremony and reception sites
- Select a caterer, band, and florist
- Select a photographer and videographer
- Select a wedding gown and wedding party attire
- Make reservations for honeymoon
- Register for gifts

### 4-5 months

- Compile final guest list
- Reserve rental equipment
- Order wedding cake
- Start working on wedding vows
- Have groom and groomsmen fitted
- Purchase wedding rings
- Order invitations and thank you notes
- Check marriage license requirements
- Finish planning your honeymoon

### 2-3 months

- Plan ceremony and rehearsal dinner
- Address invitations; mail 6-8 weeks prior
- Organize details with service providers
- Make appointments for hair, nails, facial, and massage
- Arrange for final fitting of your gown and bridesmaid dresses
- Make wedding day transportation arrangements
- Purchase gifts for your attendants
- Send thank you notes for gifts received early

### 1 month

- Confirm accommodations for out-of-town guests
- Give your final count of guests to caterer
- Get marriage license at least seven days prior
- Pick up your wedding rings
- Make sure bridesmaids have dresses and accessories
- Discuss services with officiant
- Make seating arrangement and placecards
- Continue writing thank you notes

### 1 week

- Address and stamp announcements
- Pack for your honeymoon
- Break in your wedding shoes
- Create seating chart
- Re-confirm transportation
- Make sure all of your attendants have their formalwear and that it fits properly
- Continue writing thank you notes

### wedding day

- Eat a healthy breakfast
- Give yourself plenty of time to relax and enjoy getting ready
- Use a checklist to make sure you bring everything you need to the ceremony site
- Most importantly, enjoy yourself!

