

Wedding Planning Checklist

6 to 12 months before wedding

- Determine your wedding budget (check our budget worksheet)
- Set the wedding date.
- Reserve wedding ceremony location.
- Talk to wedding Officiant.
- Determine the number of guests you will invite.
- Choose the wedding reception location.
- Choose caterer (if not included in the reception location).
- Reserve the date with a photographer.
- Reserve the date with a videographer.
- Reserve the date with a florist.
- Reserve the date with a disc jockey (DJ).
- Select bride's wedding dress and accessories.
- Select bridesmaids dresses and accessories.
- Establish a wedding and color theme.
- Choose discount wedding favors based on your wedding theme.

4 to 6 months before wedding

- Enroll with the bridal gift registry of your favorite store.
- Determine attire for groom and groomsmen.
- Determine the attire for your parents.
- Begin designing invitations.
- Plan your honeymoon.
- Decide on a wedding cake.
- Purchase wedding rings.
- Plan bridal shower.
- Begin designing wedding website (optional wedding website service).

2 to 4 months before wedding

- Finish wedding invitations.
- Plan for wedding rehearsal.
- Obtain marriage license.
- Put invitations on your wedding website (optional wedding website service).

1 to 2 months before wedding

- Mail out wedding invitations.
- Have the final dress fittings.
- Take formal wedding portrait.
- Make appointment with hair stylist and makeup artist.
- Order wedding cake.
- Have bridal shower.

2 weeks before wedding

- Contact proper authorities if you plan to change your name.
- Decide on seating for wedding reception.
- Design seating cards for reception.

1 week before wedding

- Confirm caterer is ready for wedding.
- Confirm photographer is ready for wedding.
- Confirm videographer is ready for wedding.
- Confirm florist is ready for wedding.
- Confirm DJ is ready for wedding.
- Confirm hair stylist and makeup artist are ready for wedding.
- Go over final details with your wedding coordinator.
- Send thank you notes after the wedding/honeymoon.
- Finish wedding website with the final pictures (optional wedding website service).

The wedding planning checklist above gives you an idea of all the steps that are involved in planning a wedding.