



Favour Events

Traditional Time Line

TWELVE TO EIGHTEEN MONTHS

- ♥ Create a budget and discuss sharing of expenses _____
- ♥ Decide on the overall tone of your wedding: formal, semi-formal, informal _____
- ♥ Discuss color themes, design and decoration ideas, and music selection _____
- ♥ Select a wedding consultant _____
- ♥ Reserve location of ceremony _____
- ♥ Reserve location of reception _____
- ♥ Reserve location of rehearsal dinner _____
- ♥ Talk with parents about their financial assistance _____
- ♥ Begin researching your options _____

TWO TO SIX MONTHS

- ♥ Compile combined family's guest list _____
- ♥ Shop for wedding rings or begin to have rings designed _____
- ♥ Interview and select a caterer _____
- ♥ Shop and select gown, veil and accessories _____
 - ♥ Select attendants' apparel _____
- ♥ Interview and select a photographer _____
- ♥ Interview and select a floral designer _____
- ♥ Schedule engagement photo session date _____
- ♥ Interview and select a videographer _____
- ♥ Select musicians and music for ceremony and reception _____
- ♥ Consult your travel agent about honeymoon plans _____

THREE TO SIX MONTHS

- ♥ Select and order men's formal wear _____
- ♥ Order invitations, personal stationery and wedding programs _____
- ♥ Professionally prepare and print map (include in invitation) _____
- ♥ Secure reservations and lodging for honeymoon _____
- ♥ Register gift preferences with two or more bridal registries _____
- ♥ Reserve rental items: candelabra, arches, linens, etc. _____
- ♥ Reserve limousine, carriage, trolley or coach transportation _____
- ♥ Select make-up artist and begin skin care routine _____
- ♥ Reserve hotel rooms for out-of-town guest's _____
- ♥ Plan exercise program in your routine _____
- ♥ Sample and order wedding cakes _____



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SIX TO EIGHT WEEKS

- ♥ Send local newspaper wedding announcement/photograph _____
- ♥ Shop for trousseau wardrobe for honeymoon, party's _____
- ♥ Mail invitations _____
- ♥ Plan attendants' gifts; gifts for each other _____
- ♥ Review and finalize floral and decorating arrangements _____
- ♥ Experiment with hairstyles and make-up with veil/hat _____
- ♥ Select ceremony accessories: unity candle, ring pillow, etc. _____
- ♥ Select reception decorations: balloons, candles, etc. _____
- ♥ Confirm all professional services in writing _____
- ♥ Schedule physical exams and update immunizations _____
- ♥ Select photos for your video montage _____
- ♥ Select your flower preservationist _____
- ♥ Final gown fitting Date: _____
- ♥ Final attendants' fitting Date: _____

TWO TO FOUR WEEKS

- ♥ Schedule appointments for manicure, pedicure, facial, massage _____
- ♥ Mail invitations for rehearsal dinner _____
- ♥ Send activity information to out-of-town guest's _____
- ♥ Schedule bridal portrait (remember make-up artist) Date: _____
- ♥ Make reservations for bridesmaids' brunch/luncheon _____
- ♥ Confirm honeymoon reservations, select luggage _____
- ♥ Record gifts as you receive them; write thank-you notes _____
- ♥ Schedule final appointments for hair stylist and make-up artist _____
- ♥ Confirm time and wedding rehearsal schedule with everyone _____
- ♥ Review reception seating; order place cards/calligrapher _____
- ♥ Confirm wedding party transportation and arrival times _____
- ♥ Confirm lodging for out-of-town guest's _____
- ♥ Arrange for professional gown and bouquet preservation _____
- ♥ Arrange name/address changes on bank account, credit cards, driver's license, social security and utilities _____
- ♥ Secure marriage license _____

ONE TO TWO WEEKS

- ♥ Pick up wedding rings; check sizes and engravings _____
- ♥ Final consultations with wedding consultant, florist, musicians, photographer, videographer, decorators, rental company, etc. _____
- ♥ Final guest count to reception facility and caterer _____
- ♥ Remind men to pick up formal wear/shoes and check for fit _____
- ♥ Complete a wedding day schedule, including schedule from photographer; give everyone a copy at rehearsal dinner _____
- ♥ Pack for your honeymoon _____
- ♥ Your planning is complete. Relax!! _____



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Ninety Day Timeline

NINETY DAYS OR MORE

- ♥ Select date _____
(Have backup dates in mind, and be prepared to be flexible in case the site, caterer, or officiant is already booked)
- ♥ Set budget _____
Establish your priorities. Ask for written estimates as you speak with vendors.
- ♥ Reserve your ceremony, reception and rehearsal dinner sites _____
Put down your deposits to make sure they are confirmed.
- ♥ Select an officiant for your ceremony _____
- ♥ Select wedding rings _____
- ♥ Hire wedding coordinator _____
(It might seem like an indulgence, but the professional advice and access that a coordinator offers can help save money in the end.)
- ♥ Compile a guest list _____
Begin to notify out-of-town guests of the wedding date, so they can make necessary arrangements
- ♥ Choose attendants and members of bridal party _____
Confirm their availability.
- ♥ Order gown and accessories including veil, gloves and shoes _____
Followed shortly by selecting your bridesmaids' dresses
- ♥ Gift Registration _____
- ♥ Interview:
 - Caterer _____
 - Photographer _____
 - Videographer _____
 - Florist _____
 - Bakery _____
 - Entertainment _____



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SIXTY DAYS

- ♥ Invitations _____
Select quickly and confirm every detail in writing. Try to mail out to your guests 4-6 weeks prior to your wedding. Consider having your guest's phone or email for your RSVP.
- ♥ Select the food and beverage for the reception _____
- ♥ Plan and book honeymoon _____
Don't forget to consider where you want to spend your first night together after the wedding.
- ♥ Reserve accommodations for out-of-town guest's _____
Will some of the guests need scheduled transportation?
- ♥ Select site for rehearsal dinner and bridesmaids' luncheon or brunch _____
- ♥ Select
Photographer _____
Schedule appointment for engagement and bridal portrait photo shoot.
Videographer _____
Florist _____
Bakery _____
Entertainment _____
Limo or transportation _____
Makeup artist and hair stylist _____

THIRTY DAYS

- ♥ Meet with officiant and select music and reading for ceremony _____
- ♥ Determine rehearsal times _____
- ♥ Final dress fitting _____
- ♥ Photo shoot for bridal portrait and engagement _____
Make sure it will be ready for you to have time to get it framed.
- ♥ Marriage license _____
If you are going to change your name, complete proper documents. Send changes of address to post office.
- ♥ Send wedding announcements to newspaper _____
- ♥ Shop for gifts for the bridal party, parents and spouse _____
- ♥ Select and order men's apparel _____
- ♥ Purchase ceremony accessories: guest book and pen, ring bearer's pillow, etc. _____



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TWO WEEKS

- ♥ Buy stockings, garter and any necessary special lingerie _____
- ♥ Arrange seating plans and write place cards _____
- ♥ Confirm details with all the vendors _____
- ♥ Confirm travel arrangements _____
- ♥ Confirm lodging for out-of-town guest's _____
- ♥ Complete programs – include map to reception site if necessary _____
- ♥ Write thank-you notes as you receive gifts _____
- ♥ Write announcements _____
- ♥ Break in bridal shoes _____
- ♥ Arrange for professional gown and floral preservation _____

ONE WEEK

- ♥ Notify caterer of final guest count _____
- ♥ Wrap gifts for bridal party _____
- ♥ Pack for honeymoon _____
- ♥ Have facial or any other beauty treatments _____
- ♥ Bridesmaids' luncheon _____
- ♥ Assign different responsibilities to bridal party, such as handing out corsages and boutonnieres, programs and other necessary details _____
- ♥ Complete a wedding day schedule for vendors and bridal party _____
- ♥ Make arrangements for someone special to take home your wedding gifts and preserve the top of your cake for your first anniversary _____

ONE TO TWO DAYS BEFORE

- ♥ Men pick up tuxedos _____
- ♥ Manicure and pedicure _____
- ♥ Rehearse ceremony _____
- ♥ Enjoy rehearsal dinner _____

DAY OF

- ♥ Mail announcements _____
- ♥ Massage – Helps to relax you _____
- ♥ Hair styled and makeup done _____
- ♥ Enjoy your special day _____