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Bride's Checklist

Careful planning will enable you to truly enjoy every moment of your Wedding Day. Arrangements for a large formal wedding should ideally begin at least 8 - 12 months in advance. However, many beautiful weddings are put together in considerably less time.

The important thing is to follow a timetable, and let your contracted suppliers help you. Share the planning duties with your fiancé, your family, and your attendants - much of the fun is doing it together!

Six to Twelve Months Ahead

- Select a wedding date and begin to visualize your wedding
- Decide budget; discuss sharing of expenses
- Decide type of wedding:
 - formal
 - semi-formal
 - informal
- Choose location of ceremony
Phone: _____
- Discuss alternate dates with clergy or officiant
- Decide size of wedding party and choose attendants
- Select gown style
Shop: _____ Phone: _____
- Select veil style
Shop: _____ Phone: _____
- Select attendants' apparel
Shop: _____ Phone: _____
- Select reception facility
Phone: _____
- Select caterer/wedding consultant
Phone: _____
- Plan details of reception
- Select photographer
Phone: _____

- Have engagement photos taken
Date: _____ Time: _____
- Select dance instructor
Phone: _____
- Select music for reception
Phone: _____
- Select videographer
Phone: _____
- Select florist/hall decorator
Phone: _____
- Compile guest list
 ___ Brides
 ___ Grooms
- Discuss gown colors & styles with mothers of bride and groom

Four to Six Months Ahead

- Select and order men's formal wear
Phone: _____
- Select ceremony musician & music
Phone: _____
- Make honeymoon plans
Travel Agent: _____ Phone: _____
- Inquire about dance instruction
- Register gift preferences with one or more bridal registries
Registry: _____
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- Order invitations, personal stationery, programs, napkins, etc.
Stationer: _____ Delivery Date: _____
Phone: _____
- Professionally prepare & print map to include with invitations
- Set aside hotel rooms for out-of-town guests
- Have physical examinations & update immunizations
- Buy wedding rings; order engraving

Two to Four Months Ahead

- Reserve rental items: candelabra, arches, canopy, linens, etc.
- Arrange rehearsal dinner
Location: _____ Phone: _____
- Shop for trousseau and apparel for honeymoon and prenuptial parties
- Reserve limousine, carriage, trolley or coach transportation
- Address wedding invitations; consider using a professional calligrapher
- Review florist arrangements and finalize order
- Buy attendants' gifts and gifts for each other
- Experiment with hairstyles and make-up
- Buy bride's and attendant's shoes - send to dyer
- Order wedding and groom's cakes

One to Two Months Ahead

- Mail invitations four to six weeks before wedding
- Final bridal fitting
Date: _____ Time: _____
- Final attendants' fittings
Date: _____ Time: _____
- Confirm honeymoon reservations; begin packing
- Select reception decorations; balloons, candles, flowers, table favors
- Select ceremony accessories; unity candle, ring pillow, guestbook, etc.
- Select personal accessories; handbag, garter, engraved goblets, guest mementos
- Arrange bridesmaids' brunch or luncheon details
- Buy marriage license

Two Weeks Ahead

- Schedule appointments for hair stylist, facial, manicure, massage
Appointment: _____
Appointment: _____
Appointment: _____
Appointment: _____
- Invite wedding party and guests to rehearsal dinner
- Review reception seating and order place cards from calligrapher
- Confirm out-of-town guests' lodging with reserved hotels
- Confirm wedding party transportation and arrival times
- Schedule caterer for gift opening party
- Arrange for gown cleaning and bouquet preservation after the ceremony

One to Two Weeks Ahead

- Pick up wedding rings: check engravings and sizes
- Final consultations: florist, hall decorator, musicians, photographer, videographer
- Give final guest count to reception facility and caterer
- Remind men to pick up formal wear and shoes. Check for fit
- Make wedding day schedule and give everyone copies at rehearsal dinner
- Relax the day before; keep personal appointments; finish honeymoon packing
- Your planning is complete. Your day will be wonderful!!!!