

The planning place



El Photography

" From this day forward, You shall not walk alone. My heart will be your shelter, And my arms will be your home."

Unknown



GL Quinn Photography



Cake Me I'm Yours



Amy Allen Photography

Planning Timeline

You can savor your wedding celebration more fully by preparing thoroughly for the big day. Arrangements for a large, formal wedding ideally should begin at least eight to twelve months in advance, but many beautiful weddings – in all degrees of formality – are put together in considerably less time than that. The most important rules of preparation are to follow a timetable and to share the joyful tasks involved with your fiancé, your families and your attendants. Also, be sure to read the articles in this guide carefully and let your contracted suppliers help you. Happy planning!

Six to twelve months before your wedding:

Determine your budget and discuss the sharing of expenses.
Decide on your wedding type (formal, semi-formal, informal).
Choose ceremony site. Phone _____
Discuss alternative dates with clergy or officiant.
Decide wedding party size and choose attendants.
Select gown and veil style. Phone _____
Select attendants' apparel. Phone _____
Choose reception site. Phone _____
Select caterer / wedding consultant. Phone _____
Plan reception details. Phone _____
Select photographer. Phone _____
Have engagement photos taken. Date & Time _____
Select reception music. Phone _____
Select videographer. Phone _____
Select florist. Phone _____
Compile invitation lists from the families of you and your fiancé.
Discuss gown colors and styles with mothers of the bride and groom.

Four to six months before your wedding:

Select and order men's formal wear. Phone _____
Select ceremony music and musicians. Phone _____
Make honeymoon plans. Travel Agent's Phone _____
Decide on your new living arrangements (buying, renting, leasing).
Consult a home decorator. Phone _____
Register gift preferences with one or more bridal registries.
Order invitations, personal stationery, programs, napkins etc.
Phone _____
Professionally prepare and print map to include with invitations.
Reserve hotel rooms for out-of-town guests.
Have physical examinations and update immunizations.
Buy wedding rings and order engraving

Two to four months before your wedding:

Reserve rental items (candelabra, arches, canopy, lines, etc.).
Arrange rehearsal dinner. Phone _____
Shop for trousseau and honeymoon and pre-nuptial party apparel.
Reserve limousine, carriage, trolley or coach.
Address wedding invitations. (Consider hiring a professional calligrapher)
Review florist's arrangements and finalize your order.
Experiment with hairstyles and makeup changes.
Buy bridal and attendants' shoes. Send to dyer.
Order wedding and groom's cakes.

One to two months before your wedding:

Mail invitations (four to six weeks before wedding).
Confirm all contracted arrangements.
Have final bridal fitting. Date & Time _____
Have attendants' fitting. Date & Time _____
Confirm honeymoon reservations and begin packing.
Select reception decorations (balloons, candles, flowers, table favors, etc.)
Select reception accessories (handbag, garter, engraved goblets, guest mementos, etc.).
Arrange bridesmaids' brunch or luncheon.
Buy marriage license. Have blood tests if needed.

Two weeks before your wedding:

Schedule appointments for hair styling, facial, manicure and massage.
Invite wedding party and guests to rehearsal dinner.
Move personal and mutual belongings to your new house.
Review reception seating and order place cards from calligrapher.
Confirm out-of-town guest lodging at hotel(s).
Record gifts as you receive them and write thank you notes.
Schedule caterer for gift opening party. Phone _____
Arrange for gown cleaning and bouquet preservation after wedding.

One to two weeks before your wedding:

Pick up wedding rings. Check engravings and sizings.
Have final consultations with florist, musicians, photographer, videographer.
Give final guest count to reception facility and caterer.
Remind men to pick up formal wear and shoes and check for fit.
Make a wedding day schedule and give everyone copies at rehearsal dinner.
Relax the day before your wedding. Keep personal appointments and finish honeymoon packing.
Have a wonderful day!

Financial Obligations

Tradition...a weighty word. In terms of wedding expenses, it once dictated that the bride's family handled all the nuptial expenses. The changing scheme of society has made it possible for some ironclad traditions to loosen their grip a bit, and that certainly includes wedding costs. Probably the most useful approach for you, your groom, and your respective families to consider when you draw up the wedding budget is to be communicative, realistic, and courteous. If your family is unable to bear the traditional bridal bill, talk with the groom's parents. They may be willing to assume a portion of the financial responsibility. There are probably some expense that you and your groom can pay, thus taking some pressure off your families. Following is the traditional division of nuptial expenses. However, there are times when tradition bows to practicality. The question of who pays for what really boils down to who is most willing and able.

Bride's Family

- Entire cost of the reception including food, wedding cake, beverages, flowers, decorations, music, and gratuities for the bartenders and waiters.
- Entire cost of the ceremony including rental of sanctuary, chapel or other facility, organist, soloist and sexton fees, aisle carpets, huppah, altar flowers and pew markers, and any additional decorating costs.
- Wedding gift for newlyweds.
- Bride's wedding attire and trousseau.
- Invitations, announcements, and postage.
- Engagement and wedding photographs.
- Bridesmaids' bouquets.
- Transportation for bridal party to ceremony and reception.
- Wedding Consultant
- Welcome party for out-of-town guests.

Bride

- Wedding gift for the groom.
- Wedding ring for the groom.
- Gifts for the bride's attendants.
- Personal stationery.
- Lodging for her out-of-town attendants (optional)
- Bridesmaid' luncheon
- Gift for parents.

Groom's Family

- Their wedding attire.
- Wedding gift for the newlyweds.
- Rehearsal dinner.
- Their travel expenses and hotel bills.
- Shipment of wedding gifts to the bridal couple's new home.
- There are many other expenses they may wish to assume which are optional.

Groom

- Wedding gift for the bride.
- Bride's engagement and wedding rings.
- Marriage license.
- Gifts for best man, groomsmen, and ushers.
- Bridal bouquet and going-away corsage.
- Boutonnieres for all men in wedding party.
- Mothers' and Grandmothers' corsages.
- Gloves, ties, or ascots for men in wedding party.
- Lodging for out-of-town attendants (optional)
- Fee for clergy or judge.
- Honeymoon.
- Bachelor's dinner (optional).
- Gift for parents.

Attendants and Ushers

- Wedding attire selected by the bride.
- Travel expenses and lodging.
- Parties for the bride and groom.
- Wedding gift for the couple.

Your Budget

The following information and worksheets are designed to help you anticipate the expenses associated with planning your wedding. To establish a budget first is very important to avoid disappointments and disagreements. One thing everyone agrees on is that the reception is the single largest expense - and can be controlled by the number of guests invited. Remember memorable, personal and very special wedding celebrations come in all sizes and budgets.

Brides Wedding Attire

Bridal Gown
Headpiece/veil
Alterations
Shoes
Undergarments
Jewelry
Accessories
Trousseau

ESTIMATED	YOUR COST

Other Attire

Mother of the Bride's Attire
Mother of the Groom's attire
Bride's Attendant's Apparel
Groom's Attendant's Apparel

ESTIMATED	YOUR COST

Formal Attire

Groom's Tuxedo/Shoes/Accessories
Father of the Bride's Attire
Father of the Groom's Attire

ESTIMATED	YOUR COST

Ceremony

Church/Ceremony Site
Officiant
Organist Musicians/Soloist
Marriage License
Aisle Runner
CandlesTent/Chuppah

ESTIMATED	YOUR COST

Reception

	ESTIMATED	YOUR COST
Site Rental		
Caterer/Food		
Wedding Cake & Groom's Cake		
Beverages		
Favors		
Decorations (Other than Flowers)		
Rental Supplies (Linens, China, Tables, Chairs)		
Additional Services (Servers, Bartenders, Valet Parking)		
Taxes & Gratuities		

Bridesmaid Luncheon

--	--	--

Photography

	ESTIMATED	YOUR COST
Engagement Photo		
Formal Portrait		
Wedding Album & Photos		
Parent's Albums		
Extra Prints		
Photographer Fee		
Other		

Videography

	ESTIMATED	YOUR COST
Ceremony		
Reception		
Extra Copies of Video		
Other		

Stationery

	ESTIMATED	YOUR COST
Invitations		
Announcements		
Response Cards		
Thank-you Notes		
Ceremony Programs		
Calligraphy/Addressing		
Postage		
Printed Napkins		
Guest Book & Pen		
Other		

Flowers

	ESTIMATED	YOUR COST
Ceremony		
Alter/Chuppah		
Pew Markers		

Flowers

	ESTIMATED	YOUR COST
Bride's Bouquet		
Bride's Bouquet Preservation		
Attendants Bouquets		
Mothers & Grandmothers' Corsages		
Boutonnieres (Groom, Groomsmen, Father)		
Reception		
Cake Table		
Buffet Table		
Head Table(s)		
Centerpieces for other tables		
Decorating		
Helpers/Special Guests		
Going Away Corsage		
Other		

Wedding Rings

	ESTIMATED	YOUR COST
Engagement Ring		
Bride's Wedding Ring		
Groom's Wedding Ring		

Music/Entertainment

	ESTIMATED	YOUR COST
Ceremony		
Reception		

Transportation

	ESTIMATED	YOUR COST
Limousine/Carriage		
Other		

Rehearsal Dinner

	ESTIMATED	YOUR COST
Site Rental		
Food/Caterer		
Other		

Gift Budget

	ESTIMATED	YOUR COST
For Bride		
For Groom		
For Bride's Attendants		
For Groom's Attendants		
For Parents		
Other		

Honeymoon

	ESTIMATED	YOUR COST
Transportation		
Accommodations		
Daily Budget		

Appointments

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Appointments

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Appointments

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Appointments

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Date:	Time:
Name:	
Business:	
Address:	
Comments:	

Your Wedding Party

You and your groom choose your attendants, usually about six to nine months before the wedding. The formal wedding generally consists of Best Man, Maid or Matron of Honor, Bridesmaids, Groomsmen, Ring Bearer, Flower Girl, and Ushers (Groomsmen may also serve as ushers). For a semi-formal wedding choose 2-6 attendants each, and informal choose one honor attendant with one extra bridesmaid or groomsman.

Bride's Attendants

Name
Telephone
Address
Name
Telephone
Address
Name
Telephone
Address
Name
Telephone
Address
Name
Telephone
Address
Name
Telephone
Address

Groom's Attendants

Name
Telephone
Address
Name
Telephone
Address
Name
Telephone
Address
Name
Telephone
Address
Name
Telephone
Address
Name
Telephone
Address

Days to Remember

2013

January 2013	February 2013	March 2013	April 2013
S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30
May 2013	June 2013	July 2013	August 2013
S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31
September 2013	October 2013	November 2013	December 2013
S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

holidays

New Year's Day: Jan. 1
 Martin Luther King Jr. day: 2013 Jan. 21, 2014 Jan. 20
 Ash Wednesday: 2013 Feb. 13, 2014 Mar. 5
 Valentine's Day: Feb. 14
 President's Day: 2013 Feb. 18, 2014 Feb 17
 Palm Sunday: 2013 Mar. 24, 2014 Apr. 13
 Good Friday: 2013 Mar. 29, 2014 Apr. 18
 Easter: 2013 Mar. 31, 2014 Apr. 20
 Passover* 2013 Mar. 26, 2014 Apr. 15
 Mother's Day: 2013 May 12, 2014 May 11
 Memorial Day, Observed: May 27

2014

January 2014	February 2014	March 2014	April 2014
S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30
May 2014	June 2014	July 2014	August 2014
S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31
September 2014	October 2014	November 2014	December 2014
S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

Father's Day: 2013 Jun. 16, 2014 Jun. 15
 Independence Day: July 4
 Labor Day: 2013 Sep. 2, 2014 Sep. 1
 Rosh Hashanah: 2013 Sep. 5, 2014 Sep. 25
 Yom Kippur* 2013 Sep. 14, 2014 Oct. 4
 Columbus Day, Observed: 2013 Oct. 14, 2014 Oct. 13
 Veteran's Day: Nov. 11
 Thanksgiving: 2013 Nov. 28, 2014 Nov. 27
 Hanukkah: 2013 Nov. 27, 2014 Dec. 16
 Christmas: Dec. 25

Flower Checklist

Estimate A

Estimate B

Name _____
Phone _____

Name _____
Phone _____

Numbers
Unit Cost
Total Cost

Numbers
Unit Cost
Total Cost

	<i>Numbers</i>	<i>Unit Cost</i>	<i>Total Cost</i>		<i>Numbers</i>	<i>Unit Cost</i>	<i>Total Cost</i>
Bride's Bouquet							
Maid (Matron) of Honor's Bouquet							
Bridesmaid's Bouquets							
Flower Girl's Bouquet or Basket							
Floral Headpiece							
Hostesses' Flowers							
Mother's Corsages (and Grandmothers')							
Groom's Boutonniere							
Father's Boutonniere							
Best Man's Boutonniere							
Ushers' Boutonniere							
Ring Bearer's Pillow							
Altar or Huppah Flowers							
Aisle or Pew Decorations							
Reception Room Flowers							
Head Table Centerpiece							
Guest Table Centerpieces							
Cake/Buffer Table Decorations							
Misc. (aisle runner, candles)							
Total							

Apparel Checklist

Bridal Gown

Bridal Shop		
Contact		Phone
Style #		Size
Description		
Date Ordered		Date Promised
1st Fitting	2nd Fitting	Date Ready

Bridal Accessories

Headpiece	Price	Date Ready
Undergarments	Price	Date Ready
Shoes	Size	Price
Jewelry	Price	Date Ready
Other	Price	Date Ready

Bridesmaid Dresses

Bridal Shop		
Contact		Phone
Dress Description	Style #	Price
Shoe Description	Style #	Price
Date Ordered		Date Promised
Attendant's Name	Dress Size	Shoe size
Attendant's Name	Dress Size	Shoe size
Attendant's Name	Dress Size	Shoe size
Attendant's Name	Dress Size	Shoe size
Attendant's Name	Dress Size	Shoe size
Attendant's Name	Dress Size	Shoe size
Attendant's Name	Dress Size	Shoe size
Flower Girl's Name	Dress Size	Shoe size
Flower Girl's Name	Dress Size	Shoe size
Dress Description	Style #	Price
Shoe Description	Style #	Price

Rehearsal Dinner Guide

Location _____

Date _____

Phone _____

Time _____

Bridal Party and Guests

Bridal Party and Guests

Bride's Family and Guest

Groom's Family and Guest

Some Thoughts.....

Dresses

Your wedding gown is much more than just a dress. A properly selected gown will make you look spectacular and make you feel at ease.

Try different styles and shapes to discover your most flattering silhouette. More often than not, she will recommend that you try a dress you never imagined wearing and it is "The Dress."

Photographs of your favorite gowns make a good place to start when selecting your gown. Identify what you love about the gown, the beading, the shape, the neckline, and use these ideas to communicate to your bridal consultant when you shop. Stay flexible because you may find other styles look better on you. Your gown should make you look beautiful.

Estimate a reasonable price for your gown and accessories. Be flexible. Normally 10-15% of the wedding budget is allotted for the gown.

Work with a salon that has a reputation for service. Shop on a weekday, it will be a more relaxing experience. Plan a minimum of six months in advance to purchase your gown allowing approximately four months for delivery and 2 months for alterations.

Choose a shopping companion whose style and opinion you trust. Leave everyone else at home. Shopping with a crowd presents many conflicting opinions and makes your decision more difficult. Remember, this is your wedding.

If you have a strapless bra or shoes with a heel height you are comfortable wearing, take them along. If you have a piece of heirloom jewelry or plan to wear your mother's veil with your gown take them shopping with you. However, most bridal salons will have an excellent selection of bras, shoes and veils if you need them.

Decide how you plan to wear your hair, so the appropriate accessories can be chosen to complement your gown.

True white may not be the best color for you to wear. Softer shades of white and ivory are more flattering for many brides. Be size wise. Bridal gowns tend to run small. Don't be alarmed if the recommended size is different than the size you normally wear.

When you arrive at the bridal salon communicate your ideas to your bridal consultant and listen to her ideas as well. She has encountered every shape, figure and size.

Shoes

If there ever is a time to purchase a quality pair of shoes, it should be for your wedding. At the end of the day, you will truly thank yourself for making the investment.

Comfort should be your highest priority. If your shoes are comfortable, there will be no need to be seen on the dance floor without shoes.

Your heel height should allow you to walk comfortably and with confidence. Never compromise on quality. Your shoes should complement and reflect the value of your wedding gown. Select a shoe style that is appropriate for your dress, whether it is elegant, sophisticated or romantic.

Be open to suggestions from family, friends and professionals. However, keep in mind that the final decision is yours.

It is essential to have your shoes for your fittings. Finding the exact same heel at a later date may prove more difficult than you think.

Having a photo of your dress while shopping for shoes will help in your selection.

Wear your shoes again and again after the wedding. Have them dyed to match a dress for a special occasion. Dye them black and you will have a wonderful pair of evening shoes.

Registry Planning

DINNERWARE

Dinning room colors or theme:
Kitchen room colors or theme:
Formal Pattern
Casual Pattern
Place Settings
Place Settings
Soup bowls
Butter dish
Vegetables
Gravy boat
Salt & Pepper
Platter
Sugar
Creamer

STEMWARE

Formal Pattern
Casual Pattern
Water goblet
Wine glasses
Iced beverage
Champagne

FLATWARE

Place settings
Tablespoon
Pierced tablespoon
Gravy ladle
Butter knife
Sugar shell
Cold meat fork
Iced beverage spoons

Registry Planning

DINNERWARE

Omelet pan
Skillet/fry pan
Stock pot
Saucepan
Roasting pan
Wok
Cookie sheet
Muffin pan
Cake pan

BEDROOM

Bedroom colors or theme:
Comforter/Duvet
Dust ruffle
Bed pillow
Bedspread
Blanket
Sheet set
Mattress pad
Decorator pillows
Pillow sham

BATHROOM

Bathroom colors or theme:
Bath towel
Hand towel
Washcloth
Fingertip towel
Shower curtain
Bath rugs

Reception Checklist

The choice for your reception is probably the most complex, as each facility differs considerably. The checklist below should help you determine if it meets your need. Book your facility 6 to 18 months before the wedding.

	NEED	
Available/Cost		
Private Room		
Room Capacity		
Hours Available		
Staff		
Head Table		
# of Guest Tables		
Linens		
China		
Stemware		
Glassware		
Flowers		
Cake		
Cake Cutting Charge		
Stage		
Sound System		
Piano		
Guest Book Table		
Gift Table		
Cake Table		
Catering Service		
Bar		
Bartender		
Air Conditioning		
Set-Up Time		
Decorations		
Clean-Up Charge		
Champagne Cost		
Corkage Fee		
Valet Parking		
Taxes and Gratuity		
Receiving Line Area		
Wedding Coordinator		
Head Count Deadline		
Menu Selection Deadline		
Deposit Deadline		
Final Payment Deadline		

The Day Before

The day before your wedding will be filled with a myriad of important last minute details. Use this convenient day planner to keep yourself organized, calm, and confident that everything is under control..

6:00 am
7:00 am
8:00 am
9:00 am
10:00 am
11:00 am
NOON
1:00 pm
2:00 pm
3:00 pm
4:00 pm
5:00 pm
6:00 pm
7:00 pm
8:00 pm
9:00 pm
10:00 pm
11:00 pm
MIDNIGHT

Wedding Day Responsibilities

Complete the checklist by filling in the name and phone number of who's responsible for each category.

Gifts on Table (guarding the gifts)
Guest Book Table
Securing Invitations to Gifts
Phone Numbers
Paying Officiant
Transportation
Flowers
Videotaping
Photographer
Food
Cake
Cake Cutting
Announcing the Couple
The Reception Decorations
Rings
Music
Limousine (other transportation)
Decorations on Cars
Hotel Room Accommodations
Makeup
Bride's Wedding Gown
Groom's Tuxedo
Bringing Marriage License (signed by clergy and witness)
Cake Toast
Toast for Bride and Groom

Important Phone Numbers

Reception Facility
Church/Temple
Clergy
Bridal Salon
Jeweler
Caterer
Balloons
Florist
Photographer
DJ/Band
Videographer
Singers
Ceremony Musician(s)
Coordinator
Limousine/Carriage
Rentals
Cake
Makeup/Hair Artist
Formalwear
Other

Your Wedding Photo Checklist

Long after the flowers, the cake and champagne are gone, you'll still have the memories...and your photographs. Don't cut corners when it comes to documenting one of your life's most precious days. Go over the following checklist with your photographer so you don't miss any special moment or person.



5th Photography

Portraits

- Bride, full-length solo
- Wedding Portrait of bride and groom together
- Bride with Parents
- Bride with Mother and Father separately
- Bride with Grandparents
- Bride with Sister(s) and Brother(s)
- Bride with Maid of Honor
- Bride with Bridesmaids
- Bride with ring bearer and flower girl

At the Ceremony

- Parents being escorted to their seats
- Groom coming down the aisle (Parents may want to escort him)
- Bridesmaids coming down the aisle
- Flower girl and Ring bearer down the aisle
- Bride with Sister(s) and Brother(s)
- Bride coming down the aisle (both parents may want to escort her)

At the Reception

- Receiving line (greeting the guests)
- Entire Room
- Bride with Parents
- Buffet table
- Cake table
- Ice sculpture
- Guest book and gift table
- Table Decorations
- First Dance
- Guests dancing

- Groom, full-length solo
- Groom with Parents
- Groom with Mother and Father separately
- Groom with Grandparents
- Groom with Sister(s) and Brother(s)
- Groom with Best Man
- Groom with Groomsman

- Bride's Father giving her hand to groom
- Wedding Vows
- Ring exchange
- Bride and Groom during the ceremony
- Recessional
- Bride and Groom together (formal)
- Bride and Groom arriving

- Best Man toasting the bridal couple
- Bride and Groom toasting each other
- Bride and Groom cutting the cake and feeding each other
- Tossing the bouquet
- Removing and tossing the garter
- Bride and Groom with special people in their lives
- Newlyweds getting into limousine (leaving the reception)