

## Elizabeth Adams Photography FAQ

### What can I expect during my shoot?

Although the images in my galleries may look as though they were shot in the perfect conditions, shooting on location/outdoors can be anything but glamorous. Sometimes conditions are perfect but most of the time, they aren't always ideal. It could be hot, cold, windy, muddy and itchy grass comes with the territory. I will have you run through a number of poses multiple times in front of multiple scenes.

### Do I need to sign a contract?

Yes, every package requires a contract and non-refundable deposit for services.

### Why a 50% non-refundable deposit to book?

Your deposit and signed contract reserves the date and time agreed upon, which means that I do not make any other reservations or accept any other clients for said date and time. In the event that you cancel our agreement for any reason, all monies paid shall be retained in order to offset the loss of business.

### What if I need to reschedule my wedding?

You can reschedule your wedding if I'm available for your new date.

### When should I book my wedding?

You can book your wedding as far as 18 months in advance and I usually book up for the current year by or before June.

### How many hours of coverage do I need?

I can help you determine how many hours of coverage you'll need by; the size of your wedding party, expected guests, whether or not you'll want getting ready shots, first look shots and if you'll be wanting pictures after the first dances.

### You've never shot at my venue, should I find a photographer who has?

Many venues are firsts for me. My assistant and I try to visit every local venue and for

out of town venues, we'll go online to get an idea of what we'll be working with which is often more than sufficient. On the day of your wedding, my second photographer and I will arrive about 30 minutes early to scout locations within the venue so that we know exactly what camera settings to use and how the available light might evolve throughout the day. You can rest assured that we have plenty of experience and confidence to handle any venue.

### **Do you come to the rehearsal?**

While the rehearsals are not critical for us to attend, we do try to make local rehearsals. Out of town rehearsals are a bit more challenging to attend due to the travel.

### **What if something happens to you before my wedding?**

I have never had to cancel my end of a wedding agreement. However, if something were to happen, I would either reschedule or refund your deposit.

### **When will I receive my wedding photos?**

Weddings usually take 10–15 business days to complete. You'll be provided a link where you'll have access to your images for 3 weeks in a private online gallery. You'll be able to share your gallery with friends and family, download your images and even purchase prints online.

### **What does your editing entail?**

Background, foreground clean-up, softening/smoothing of the skin, blemish/mole/scar removal, color and exposure correction, cropping if necessary, teeth and sclera eye whitening, iris enhancement and artistic accents where I deem necessary.

### **How many pictures will I receive in my wedding gallery?**

I aim to produce quality images over quantity. The number of images varies depending on how many hours of coverage you decide on and the logistics of your day. The average 6 hr. wedding gallery usually consists of 400+ images. Pictures will be enhanced, touched up, some fully edited, and all high-resolution JPEG. You'll have

access to your online gallery within a few days of your session/event where you'll be able to view your teasers until your entire album is ready.

### **How long will my images be available to me in the online gallery?**

Your gallery will be available to download/save, share, and order prints from for up to 3 weeks after your entire gallery is complete. After that time, they will be archived and there will be a \$50 fee to regain access for an additional week.

### **Are you insured?**

Yes!

### **Do you offer prints?**

If you are interested in having prints made, you can conveniently order them directly from your online gallery or take them to a lab of your choice. The price for prints will vary depending upon quantity and size and is not included in the package prices listed.

### **Will there be a second photographer at my wedding?**

Yes, all wedding and event packages include a second photographer.

### **Do you work with a videographer?**

I currently do not offer a corresponding videography package but I am in the process of teaming up with a videographer.

### **Can I give you a "shot list" for my wedding?**

Due to the unpredictable and uncontrollable nature of weddings, I will not accept a "shot list" or a "checklist" and I cannot guarantee specific shots. My goal is to capture every possible significant moment of your wedding day as it's presented to me. For example, It's expected that I capture the first look, the ring exchange, the kiss, the bouquet throw, etc. Therefore, I do not need a checklist for what is expected and for what may hinder my creativity. I will, however, accept a list of family (formal) portrait combinations since every family is unique.

### **When should we do the formal portraits?**

This is ultimately up to you. Before the ceremony allows you to check one more thing off the day's itinerary early on and more importantly, allows you and the wedding party a chance to enjoy the cocktail hour and mingle with your guests. On the other hand, shooting after the ceremony (dependent on the time) could allow you to take advantage of the setting sun and its softer light.

### **How long do the formal portraits take & how many combinations should I have?**

Each family combination takes about 2 min. to gather and arrange a successful shot given that everyone is present, ready and cooperating. As a guideline, you will need 30–35 min. for 15 formal combos. To keep everything on track and less chaotic I highly recommend keeping family formal combinations limited to immediate family members/VIP and avoid redundant combinations. It's best to start with the biggest group when creating your combination list.

### **How long do the wedding party and bride and groom portraits take?**

Dependent on the accessibility of locations at your venue this could range anywhere from 40 min. to an hour.

### **What style best describes your photography?**

My vision is flexible and constantly evolving, however, I do lean toward the classic style. You can expect that your images will be timeless and of the same quality as the images featured in my galleries.

### **Can family & friends Take pictures at the wedding?**

Of course. I just ask that they turn off their flashes and not swarm the family and wedding party portraits because I need all eyes on me in your images.

### **Will your watermark be on my final images?**

Never. Your final images will not have a watermark on them. I may put a watermark on the teasers for social media/sharing purposes.

### **What are your travel fees outside your normal service areas in CA?**

I travel to the surrounding areas of Sacramento, Lake Tahoe, Fresno, and

Porterville for weddings at no additional cost. For weddings outside of my service areas, the only additional costs clients are responsible for are as follows:

- 1) Rental car and/or round trip flights
- 2) Rental car mileage – \$1.00/mile round trip
- 3) Lodging accommodations dependent on distance and/or length of the event.

**Do you have a list of recommended vendors?**

Below are vendors I highly recommend:

**VENUES:**

Mehfil Banquet Hall

<https://www.mehfilbanquethall.com/>

Old St. Mary's Chapel

<http://oldstmaryschapelofrocklin.com/>

Marshall Gold Discovery State Park

<https://www.marshallgold.com/weddings>

Edgewood Tahoe

<https://www.edgewoodtahoe.com/edgewood-weddings>

Springview Community Center

<https://www.rocklin.ca.us/post/community-center-springview-hall>

Orchard Creek Lodge

<https://orchardcreeklodge.com/weddings>

**CATERING:**

Mehfil Indian Restaurant

<http://www.mehfilindianrestaurant.com/>

The Ring of Fire BBQ

<https://www.theringoffirebbq.com/>

Lucca Restaurant

<https://www.luccarestaurant.com/>

**OFFICIANTS:**

Amie Love

<https://amielovenet.wordpress.com/>

Sally Rose

<https://efficientofficiants.info/>

**DJs/Music:**

DJ Shayna

<https://www.djshayna.com/contact>

Music Institute

<https://musicinstitute.com/>

**RENTALS:**

Celebrations Party Rentals

<https://www.celebrationspartyrentals.com/>

**FLORALS:**

Rocklin Flower Shop

<http://www.rocklinflowershop.com/>