

Wedding DJ, Cape Town, ZA

### Southern Sound's FREE Wedding Music Planning Guide For Your Ultimate Vibe!

Congratulations on your engagement!
This exciting time also means planning your wedding, and music plays a vital role in creating the perfect atmosphere for your best day.

This guide from Southern Sound, will help you navigate the world of wedding music, craft a soundtrack that reflects your unique love story, and keep your guests grooving all night long!

Music sets the tone for each moment on your wedding day, making the flow essential for a seamless experience.



## -01 Setting the Mood

### **CEREMONY:**

Picture this: The two of you, a dash of romance, and all of your favorite people witnessing you say: WE DO!!

Choose music that matches the formality of your ceremony.

Popular instrumentals are also a perfect choice for this part of your day, or get some Live-Strings to compliment this part of your day!

### Main Songs to consider:

- >> Groom Walking Down The Aisle
- >> Flower girls | Ring Bearers | Beer Boys or Girls
- >> Wedding Party
- >> Bride Walking Down The Aisle
- >> First Kiss
- >> Signing the Marriage Certificate / Or Walking back down the aisle
- >> Confetti

Most of these are also optional;)

Remember, it's your day — so create the beat that works for you!





**CANAPES & Pre-DRINKS:** Your big day is a celebration of your love, and we believe in keeping it happy + upbeat.

As you and your partner disappear for those important photos, your DJ (or live artist) will keep the vibe alive.

Imagine a chill, social atmosphere with tunes that make your guests shimmy in anticipation for the night ahead.

### **RECEPTION:** Let's get personal;)

Collaborate with your DJ to curate a flow that transitions smoothly between speeches & dinner music, energetic dance floor hits, and special moments like cutting the cake, first dance, parent dances, garter + bouquet, etc. (if you're opting for a more traditional approach)

### Main Songs to consider:

- >> Wedding Party Entrance
- >> Newlyweds grand-entrance at reception
- >> Cake Cutting / Champagne Tower Song
- >> Parent Dances
- >> First Dance
- >> Bouquet / Garter
- >> Exit Song



Pick the perfect anthem for your grand entrance, and remember, it doesn't have to be a classic love ballad! So, keep it real and stay true to yourselves:)

# Description Building Your Playlist

**Consider the Guest Mix:** Think about your guests' age groups and musical preferences. Aim for a variety of genres that will appeal to everyone.

During your **RSVP** process, consider incorporating a **Song Request** feature to engage your guests and incorporate their musical tastes into your celebration.

Create a personalized Apple or Spotify Playlist for your special day, adding those tracks to it.

Alternatively, for tech-savvy couples, **generate a QR Code** linked to your Wedding Website or Invite, and when scanned, it leads guests directly to your playlist where they can add their Song Request.

### Remember to include your all-time favorite "Must-Play" Anthems.

### Flow Matters:

Your DJ's got this! They'll blend tunes seamlessly from the first note to the final encore.

Emotions will rise, feet will tap, and the party will ignite!



# **1** Working With Your DJ

### **Communication is Key:**

Meet with your DJ beforehand to discuss your musical preferences, timeline for your wedding day, and any special requests or moments that are taking place.

### Do Your Research:

Look at your DJ's online reviews and ask for recommendations from friends or your wedding team of vendors.

### **Trust Your DJ's Expertise:**

A skilled DJ reads the crowd like a book. They'll dial up the energy or slow it down, keeping the dance floor buzzing. Allow them to do what they do best;)

# **104** Bonus Tips

### Your VETO POWER:)

Tell your DJ which songs are off-limits. No Macarena? No problem!

### **Traditional | International | Culture:**

Celebrate your heritage! Incorporate traditional tunes that pay homage to your background.

### **Element of Surprise:**

Your MC or Wedding Party might have a surprise or two planned, so go with the flow, and have the best time of your life!



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We hope this guide has been helpful!

Contact us for more personalized wedding music planning assistance and to discuss creating the perfect playlist for your special day!

We are there for YOU, and can create your day, your way - as it should be!

Custom packages are available and flexible payment plans.

Let's make it more than music, let's make your love story sing!

Bringing you everything with love, and good vibes!

- Southern Sound - Christelle & U-One

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