On-the-Go Productions

Wedding Planner Checklist



12+ Months

Have fun announcing your engagement!

- □ Choose a date (or up to 3 so you can be flexible).
- Talk budget and decide who's contributing what.
- Discover your wedding style.
- Choose your wedding party: maid of honor, bridesmaids, best man, groomsmen, flower girl and ring bearer.
- □ Create a wedding website.
- Get engagement ring insured and consider purchasing wedding insurance.
- □ Begin compiling a guest list.
- □ Explore ceremony and reception venue options.
- Start assembling a team of wedding pros: planner, photographer, videographer, caterer, florist, and musicians.

10-11 Months

- □ Choose bridal party attire and accessories.
- □ Reserve ceremony and reception venues.
- Book officiant.
- □ Hire photographer, videographer, caterer, DJ/band, florist, and planner.
- Mail your Save the Dates.

- □ Browse wedding dress and veil styles.
- Get engagement photos taken.

- □ Purchase wedding dress, veil and undergarments.
- □ Establish a fitness routine if you desire.
- Establish a skin care/beauty routine if you desire.

8-9 Months

- □ Find 3 hotels (at different price points) for out-of-town guests.
- Browse wedding invatation designs and coordinating stationery (Enclosures, Programs, Menu Cards, Thank Yous, and Favors).

6-7 Months

- □ Explore wedding day hair and makeup styles.
- □ Meet with officiant to discuss plans for ceremony.
- Reserve rentals: chairs, linens, lighting, décor, etc.
- Choose cake style and schedule tastings.
- Decide on groomsmen attire.

- □ Refine guest list.
- □ Create gift registries at 3 national retailers.
- Begin planning honeymoon.

- □ Hire ceremony musicians.
- □ Book transportation to and from venues.
- Purchase wedding bands.

4-5 Months

- Choose flowers for: wedding party, attendants, venues, cake, etc.
- □ Schedule dress fittings.
- □ Book honeymoon flights and hotels.
- □ Book room for wedding night.
- Order wedding cake.
- □ Plan welcome baskets for out-of-town guests.

- □ Prepare {play/do not play} lists for DJ/band.
- □ Finalize wedding guest list.
- □ Assemble rehearsal dinner guest list.
- Book rehearsal dinner venue.
- Order rehearsal invitations

- 3 Months
- □ Finalize honeymoon plans and ensure all documents are in order.
- Plan ceremony and reception seating.
- □ Experiment with hair and veil with stylist.
- □ Finalize readers and readings.
- Order wedding signs.

- Purchase: toasting flutes, serving pieces, guestbook, flower basket and ring bearer pillow.
- □ Finalize reception menu.

2 Months

- □ Mail Wedding Invitations.
- Develop system for organizing RSVPs.
- Begin writing vows.
- □ Review ceremony details with officiant.
- □ Lay out the content for Wedding Programs.
- □ Apply for marriage license: order 2-3 extra.
- □ Finalize seating arrangements.
- □ Finalize playlists with musicians.
- □ Finalize fittings for wedding party and parents.

- Create wedding day timeline and send to your vendors, officiant and wedding party.
- □ Write out honeymoon itinerary for family at home.
- Decide "Something Old, New, Borrowed, Blue."
- Book spa and beauty treatments for you and your bridal party.
- □ Book wedding day transportation.
- Purchase gifts for attendants.

1 Month

- □ Call vendors to confirm date, times and location.
- □ Confirm honeymoon reservations.
- Pack for honeymoon.
- Pick up wedding rings.
- Pick up marriage license.

- □ Order wedding programs.
- □ Final dress fitting (with shoes & undergarments).
- □ Write Thank You notes as gifts are received.
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2 Weeks

- □ Follow up with guests who have not RSVP'd.
- □ Give final count to caterer.
- Update registries.
- □ Begin breaking in wedding shoes.
- Make arrangements for the caring of pets and plants while on honeymoon.
- □ Send playlists to DJ/band/ceremony musicians.
- □ Get final haircut and color.

- Delegate wedding day duties: gift table, guestbook, etc.
- Delegate someone to return tuxes, rentals and tend to wedding dress.
- Send directions to wedding day limo/transportation driver.

1 Week

- Prepare final payments to vendors + cash tips for service personnel.
- □ Give readers their scripts.
- Give photographer and videographer your image and video requests.
- □ Lay out wedding clothes.

The Day Before

- Deliver welcome baskets.
- □ Get mani/pedi/massage.

- Prepare wedding day emergency kit.
- Get spa treatments for you and the bridal party.

- □ Attend wedding rehearsal.
- □ Have fun at the rehearsal dinner.
- □ Get to bed at a decent hour!

Wedding Day

- Eat a good breakfast!
- □ Allow yourself plenty of time to get ready.
- □ Give wedding rings and officiant fee to best man.
- □ Relax, smile, and soak in every incredible moment.

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After the Wedding

- □ Ensure tuxes and rentals have been returned.
- □ Get wedding dress to preservationist or cleaners.
- Order photo thank you cards. (include a wedding photo).
- Order personalized stationery with your new last name.