

The Complete Wedding Planning Checklist

A month-by-month countdown - print it, check it off, breathe easy.

12+ Months Before

- ☐ Set the overall budget and who is contributing
- ☐ Draft a rough guest count
- ☐ Choose 2-3 possible dates
- ☐ Tour and book the ceremony and reception venues
- ☐ Start a wedding inspiration folder
- ☐ Decide on the wedding party

10-11 Months Before

- ☐ Book the photographer and videographer
- ☐ Book the caterer (or confirm venue catering)
- ☐ Reserve a block of hotel rooms for guests
- ☐ Hire a wedding planner or day-of coordinator
- ☐ Start dress shopping

8-9 Months Before

- ☐ Book the florist
- ☐ Book the band or DJ
- ☐ Book the officiant
- ☐ Order the wedding dress
- ☐ Choose bridal party attire

6-7 Months Before

- ☐ Register for gifts
- ☐ Book the cake or dessert vendor
- ☐ Reserve rental items (chairs, linens, decor)
- ☐ Plan the honeymoon and check passports
- ☐ Book hair and makeup trials

5 Months Before

- ☐ Order invitations and save-the-dates
- ☐ Finalize the guest list
- ☐ Book transportation
- ☐ Schedule the rehearsal dinner venue

4 Months Before

- ☐ Mail save-the-dates
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Order wedding rings

- ☐ Plan ceremony readings and music
- ☐ Confirm honeymoon bookings

3 Months Before

- ☐ Mail the invitations
- ☐ Buy wedding party gifts
- ☐ Schedule the final dress fitting
- ☐ Write the first draft of your vows
- ☐ Confirm the menu and do a tasting

2 Months Before

- ☐ Apply for the marriage license
- ☐ Finalize the seating chart
- ☐ Confirm timeline with all vendors
- ☐ Have hair and makeup trials
- ☐ Break in your wedding shoes

1 Month Before

- ☐ Confirm final headcount with caterer
- ☐ Pick up the wedding dress
- ☐ Pay remaining vendor balances
- ☐ Assign day-of tasks to the wedding party
- ☐ Confirm the day-of timeline with everyone

2 Weeks Before

- ☐ Confirm transportation and pickup times
- ☐ Prepare final payments and tip envelopes
- ☐ Pack for the honeymoon
- ☐ Send the timeline to vendors and bridal party

1 Week Before

- ☐ Pick up rings and check the fit
- ☐ Prepare an emergency kit
- ☐ Delegate the rehearsal and ceremony details
- ☐ Get a good night of sleep

Day Of

- ☐ Eat a real breakfast
- ☐ Hair and makeup
- ☐ Hand the rings and license to a trusted person
- ☐ Take a breath - it is here

Want it all in one book?

The Bride's Wedding Planner - 184 pages: budget sheets, vendor trackers, guest list, day-of timeline, vows pages & memory keepsakes. Get it on Amazon:

<https://www.amazon.com/dp/B0H2Z495FX>