

WEDDING PLANNING CHECKLIST

The Roadmap to Your Big Day

12 MONTHS + BEFORE

Determine budget and contribution sources

Draft preliminary guest list count

Tour and book ceremony & reception venues

Hire a professional wedding planner (optional)

9 TO 10 MONTHS BEFORE

Research and book Photographer & Videographer

Choose wedding party and flower girls/page boys

Shop for and order wedding dress / attire

Book Caterer (if not provided by venue)

6 TO 8 MONTHS BEFORE

Book Florist, Rental items, and Lighting

Launch wedding website & registry

Book hotel room blocks for out-of-town guests

Send out Save-the-Date cards

4 TO 5 MONTHS BEFORE

Book hair and makeup trials

Select and order wedding cake

Order bridesmaid dresses and accessories

Arrange wedding day transportation

2 TO 3 MONTHS BEFORE

Mail out formal wedding invitations

Purchase wedding rings

Plan rehearsal dinner and guest activities

Finalize ceremony readings and music selections

1 MONTH BEFORE

Apply for marriage license

Confirm final headcount with all vendors

Create final seating chart and place cards

Write wedding vows and toasts

THE FINAL WEEK

Pick up wedding attire and steam if needed

Prepare vendor tips in labeled envelopes

Pack "Emergency Kit" (safety pins, aspirin, etc.)

RELAX: Get plenty of sleep and hydration

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