

WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHY

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WEDDING CHECK LIST

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Every wedding is different and unique, use this helpful wedding checklist as a guide to help you plan your perfect wedding day. You can download a PDF version by clicking [here](#)

AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

- Start a wedding folder
- Make a list of what is important to you for a wedding this will help with your budget
- Discuss the wedding budget and who will pay for what
- Decide on a wedding date and start looking at venues
- Find a wedding officiant (the person who will marry you) and apply for the necessary licence's

9 TO 12 MONTHS BEFORE THE WEDDING BEGIN YOUR SEARCH FOR VENDORS:

- Bridal Gown
- Formal Suit Hire
- Photographer
- Videographer
- Disco, Entertainers or bands
- Caterer
- Florist
- Wedding Transport
- Hair and Beauty Stylist
- Bridesmaid Dresses

- Wedding Cake
- Shoes and Accessories
- Venue Decoration/Chair Covers

*If the vendor is available on your chosen date book them IMMEDIATELY!

6 TO 8 MONTHS BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Compile a preliminary guest list
 - Visit wedding fayres/look through bridal magazines, search the internet to gain ideas and inspiration for your big day
 - Finalise your wedding colours, theme and style
 - Choose your bridesmaids, groomsmen, ushers, flower girl and ring bearer and ensure of their duties are
 - Choose and purchase your wedding rings
 - Begin looking at honeymoon options and discuss where you both would like to go
 - Start planning ceremony and reception music choices
 - Arrange an engagement shoot with your photographer, select an image from the session for your “save the day’ cards or a “signature frame” for your wedding day
 - Start looking at invitation designs
 - If you haven’t already, purchase your wedding gown, veil and accessories
 - Finalise and order/purchase attire for your attendants
 - Sign up for your gift registry/honeymoon donation
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4 TO 5 MONTHS BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Contact your florist and finalise your arrangements
 - Order Wedding stationery(invitations, envelopes, order of service etc)
 - Book you wedding transport
 - Arrange accommodation for out of town guests (book blocks of hotel rooms for a better price)
 - Choose your wedding cake
 - Decide on your wedding decorations including favours
 - Finalise your guest list
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3 MONTHS BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Send out your invitations
 - Order your wedding cake
 - Meet with your wedding officiant to discuss details of the ceremony
 - Pick your wedding Lingerie
 - Choose gifts for your attendants and parents
 - Groom and male members of the wedding party to arrange for a suit fitting
 - Confirm honeymoon arrangements
 - Start writing your wedding vows, if you are doing them yourself
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2 MONTHS BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Meet with vendors to finalise arrangements
 - Schedule a hair and makeup trial with a consultant
 - Start making/buying wedding favours
 - Finalise music selections for the ceremony and reception
 - If changing your name, complete the proper documents
 - Meet with officiant to finalise ceremony details
 - Reserve room for wedding night if not already done so
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1 MONTH BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Start working on your seating plan
 - Decide and confirm your wedding vows and ensure your officiant has been sent copies
 - Meet with your photographer and provide a list of required shots
 - Confirm all final payment amounts with your vendors as well as dates, times etc
 - Collect marriage licence
 - Confirm Honeymoon reservations
 - Arrange for a final wedding dress fitting
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2 WEEKS BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Finalise Seating chart
 - Confirm delivery time and locations with florist
 - Contact any guests you have not sent RSVP
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1 WEEK BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Collect wedding gown, bridesmaid, flower girl dresses and accessories
 - Give final guest numbers to venue/receptions/caterer
 - Make sure the men have their final suit fitting
 - Reconfirm everything with vendors one last time
 - Attend rehearsal (if you are having one)
 - Confirm wedding day transportation
 - Reconfirm hair and make appointments for the wedding day
 - Confirm all duties required with the wedding party
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1 DAY BEFORE

- Have a manicure/pedicure
 - Have a pamperer day with the girls
 - Try to get an early night and relax!
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YOUR WEDDING DAY

- Eat a good breakfast, even if you think you're not hungry
 - Have your hair and makeup done
 - Begin dressing two hours before ceremony is scheduled to begin
 - Take a deep breath, relax and most importantly enjoy your big day!
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POST WEDDING DAY

- Arrange for suits that have been hired for the day are returned. (Perhaps delegate this task to the best man or a member of the wedding party)
- Ensure the venue is aware of any table decorations or chair covers that have been hired for the wedding from florists or venue decoration companies are stored safely for collection to ensure any refundable deposits are returned.
- View your wedding photographs and album draft
- Ensure thank you notes for any gifts or donations are sent out no later than 3 months after your wedding date

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