

TREASURED CEREMONIES

Your Engaged

1. Announce engagement and (newspapers if desired).
2. Plan an engagement party.

First Wedding Plans

1. Set the date and time
2. Set Wedding Budget and how expenses will be shared
3. Discuss the wedding style.
4. Hire a wedding planner if necessary or you may do the planning yourself using
5. Contact the wedding official - priest, celebrant or registry office.
 - a. Complete Notice of intended Marriage (not less than one month and not greater than 18 months)
6. Choose wedding party - groomsmen, bridesmaids, etc.
7. Draw up a guest list and count approximate numbers for reception.
8. Decide on reception venue and book.
9. Hire any extra equipment required - marquee, furniture, crockery, etc.
10. Begin shopping for wedding dress or dressmaker and accessories.
11. Select suits and dresses for the rest of the wedding party and arrange fittings.
12. Book the wedding transportation - cars, horse and carriage, limousines, etc.
13. Select photographer and videographer.
14. Begin planning your honeymoon

About 3 Months Before

1. Order invitation cards and stationery.
2. Choose wedding cake.
3. Arrange passport, vaccinations, etc if the honeymoon is overseas.
4. Arrange a Master of Ceremonies.
5. Collect and write invitations.
6. Mail your invitations.
7. Select a florist.
8. Choose music or musician for church or ceremony.
9. Book reception entertainment.
10. Plan your ceremony with your celebrant
11. Arrange accommodation for out of town guests

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About 2 Months Before

1. Compile gift list and consult a gift registry if necessary.
2. Arrange wedding rehearsal.
3. Select and purchase wedding rings.
4. Mail your invitations if you haven't already.
5. Check you have all your bridal accessories ie veil, tiara, Garter, lingerie
6. Plan and book the honeymoon.

Then - 6 Weeks Before

1. Confirm reception arrangements especially if hired goods have been selected.
2. Order beverages of set budget with reception venue.
3. Confirm arrangements with florist.
4. Confirm honeymoon details.
5. Plan honeymoon clothes.
6. Make a list of acceptance and declines.
7. Advise venues of estimated guest numbers.
8. Plan hen's and buck's nights.
9. Select gifts for wedding party.
10. Contact a speech writer for help preparing your speeches.
11. Order Bonbonniere, disposable cameras, bubble makers, place cards and thank you cards.

4 Weeks Before

1. Arrange wedding insurance for gifts and travel insurance.
2. Confirm reception arrangements especially if hired goods have been selected.
3. Confirm arrangements with wedding minister / celebrant.
4. Have a hair and beauty rehearsal.
5. Final wedding dress fitting and alterations if necessary.
6. Finalise arrangements with photographer.
7. Finalise wedding party outfits.
8. Update your Wedding Guest List
9. Begin writing thank you notes as gifts are received.
10. Final paperwork from Celebrant to be signed

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2 Weeks Before

1. Final fitting of all wedding attire and arrange delivery.
2. Make sure the wedding party is fully aware of all arrangements and of what is required of them.
3. Finalise guest numbers and confirm with caterers.
4. Make wedding day appointments - hairdresser, beautician, etc.
5. Arrange wedding reception seating.
6. Make a list of guests and table seating with place cards and give to your reception venue.
7. Have something old, Something new, something borrowed and something blue.

1 Week Before

1. Make some time for yourself before the Relatives arrive.
2. Finalise all arrangements - catering, floral, photography.
3. Have wedding rehearsal.
4. Final fitting check of all outfits and accessories.
5. Ensure that all guests (especially interstate and overseas) have transport to and from the church and reception.
6. Pack an emergency kit for the day.
7. Layout all clothes for the wedding day - just to set your mind at ease.
8. Arrange gifts for wedding party.

1 Day Before

1. Lay out everything you will require on the Wedding day
2. Confirm when Flowers and Cake are arriving
3. Confirm hair and make-up
4. Have nails manicured
5. Prepare going-away outfit
6. Confirm that all members of the wedding party are organised
7. Enjoy your day (Relax)
8. Eat Well
9. Pack for the honeymoon.
10. Get a good night's sleep

After the honeymoon

1. Send thank you's for gifts
2. See you photographer and videographer