

WEDDING DAY COUNTDOWN

Nine Plus Months Before

Decide on wedding date
 Discuss with fiancé wedding day dreams
 Discuss preliminary guest count
 Discuss budget with those contributing
 Reserve reception location
 Reserve ceremony location
 Shop for wedding gown

Six to Nine Months Before

Choose your wedding party
 Choose your color theme
 Shop for bridesmaid dresses
 Shop for your accessories, shoes, undergarments
 Set guest count
 Select caterer
 Select photographer
 Schedule an engagement picture
 Select videographer
 Compile guest list names and addresses
 Reserve sleeping rooms for out-of-town guests
 Attend pre-marriage counseling sessions
 Mail save-the-date cards

Four to Six Months Before

Select florist
 Select DJ or band
 Order invitations
 Shop for tuxedos
 Make transportation arrangements
 Enroll in a gift registry
 Select a baker and order cake and/or dessert
 Make honeymoon reservations
 Make hair appointments for you and your bridesmaids
 Purchase favors

Three Months Before

Shop for gifts for wedding party and others involved
 Shop for wedding bands
 Order the wedding cake
 Shop for cake knife, toasting glasses, unity candle, guest book and garter
 Begin addressing invitations
 Meet with party supply rental company

Purchase decorations
 Determine wedding day timeline
 Arrange wedding day transportation
 Select ceremony music
 Write vows and select ceremony readings
 Book wedding gown fittings
 Create list of must-have photos and give to photographer
 Meet with florist to finalize flowers

Two Months Before

Send out invitations
 Meet with caterer to discuss menu
 Make appointment with hair stylist for a run-through
 Meet with make-up consultant
 Send engagement picture to the local paper
 Make checklist of items to bring on wedding day
 Make checklist of items to bring on honeymoon

One Month Before

Mail rehearsal and dinner invitations
 Confirm honeymoon reservations
 Have final dress fitting
 Get marriage license

Two Weeks Before

Contact guests who have not responded
 Give final guest count to reception facility and caterer
 Arrange seating for the reception

One Week Before

Pick up your gown and hang in a cool, safe place
 Pack for honeymoon
 Have nails done
 Gather wedding day accessories, guest book, unity candle, etc.
 Place fees for the organist, soloist, minister, etc in envelopes
 Get a massage, facial or other beauty treatment
 Confirm details with contracted services

Wedding Day

Enjoy every minute of your day!