



Holding space for life's most meaningful moments

YOUR WEDDING PLANNING TIMELINE

A simple guide to what comes next

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Start here

Planning a wedding can feel like a lot.

There are decisions, timelines, and a constant stream of advice coming from every direction.

This guide isn't here to overwhelm you.

It's here to gently walk you through what typically happens, so you can move forward with clarity and confidence.

Take what works for you. Leave what doesn't.

As Soon as You're Engaged

This is the time to step back and begin shaping your vision.

- Decide what kind of wedding you want
- Talk openly about your budget and priorities
- Start building your guest list
- Consider whether you'll have a wedding party
- Begin thinking about timing and possible dates

There's no urgency here. This stage is about direction, not decisions.

After You've Set the Date

Once your date is locked in, you can begin securing key elements.

- Book your celebrant and venue
- Consider your overall style or feel for the day
- Start exploring photographers and other key suppliers
- Begin looking at attire options
- Let important guests know your date

This is about locking in the essentials.

3–6 Months Before

Now things start to take shape.

- Choose and order your outfits
- Book remaining suppliers (music, flowers, transport, cake)
- Begin planning your ceremony
- Send invitations
- Start thinking about your vows

This is where your wedding starts to feel real.

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2 Months Before

This is about refining the details.

- Finalise ceremony structure and inclusions
- Confirm styling, flowers, and key design elements
- Track RSVPs and follow up where needed
- Begin planning seating arrangements
- Arrange any required documentation

You're now moving from planning into preparation.

4–6 Weeks Before

Everything begins to come together.

- Confirm final numbers with your venue
- Finalise your run sheet or timeline for the day
- Confirm all supplier bookings
- Organise speeches
- Attend your ceremony rehearsal (if included)

Clarity here creates calm on the day.

2–3 Weeks Before

This is your final preparation phase.

- Confirm all timings with suppliers
- Finalise seating plan
- Prepare payments if required
- Try on full outfits
- Break in your shoes

At this point, you should be feeling organised and ready.

The Week Before

Now it's about slowing down.

- Confirm final details with your celebrant
- Pack for your wedding night or honeymoon
- Prepare anything you need for the day
- Take time to rest

The work is done. Let yourself enjoy what's ahead.

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A Final Thought

No timeline is perfect.

Things will shift. Small details will change. And that's completely normal.

What matters most is that, on the day, you feel present, supported, and able to experience the moment.

Everything else is simply part of the journey.