

The Ultimate Wedding Planning Checklist

18 MONTHS BEFORE:

- ☐ Think of the wedding theme
- ☐ Gather your ideas to create an inspiration board, a folder on Pinterest, or whatever works best for you
- ☐ Plan your budget
- ☐ Pick a few dates before you start venue shopping

16 MONTHS BEFORE:

- ☐ Start compiling the guest list
- ☐ Choose your bridal party
- ☐ Start thinking of your wedding outfit

14 MONTHS BEFORE:

- ☐ Reserve your wedding date
- ☐ Book the venue
- ☐ Get a wedding insurance policy to protect your deposits
- ☐ Research and book photographer and videographer
- ☐ Research and book officiant/church

12 MONTHS BEFORE:

- ☐ Start shopping for the wedding dress
- ☐ Propose to your bridal party
- ☐ Finalize the guest list
- ☐ Order and mail Save The Dates

10 MONTHS BEFORE:

- ☐ Shop for bridesmaids & flower girl dresses
- ☐ Start shopping for Grooms attire
- ☐ Create a wedding website
- ☐ Research and book live entertainment and dj
- ☐ Research and book florist

8 MONTHS BEFORE:

- ☐ Find a makeup and hair artist and schedule trials
- ☐ Book accommodation for your out-of-town guests
- ☐ Book your wedding night accommodation
- ☐ Start planning honeymoon
- ☐ Research bakeries and taste cakes

6 MONTHS BEFORE:

- ☐ Book your honeymoon
- ☐ Make sure your passports are valid, renew if necessary
- ☐ Shop for wedding rings
- ☐ Book wedding cars and consider transportation
- ☐ Order your wedding invitation suite

4 MONTHS BEFORE:

- ☐ Shop for wedding shoes
- ☐ Shop for veil, jewelry and other accessories
- ☐ Buy wedding favors and wedding party gifts
- ☐ Choose location for rehearsal dinner
- ☐ Mail your wedding invitations

2 MONTHS BEFORE:

- ☐ Apply for marriage license
- ☐ Choose the music
- ☐ Order the cake
- ☐ Purchase underwear
- ☐ Chase RSVPs

1 MONTH BEFORE:

- ☐ Attend the final dress fitting
- ☐ Write vows and speeches
- ☐ Confirm all menus
- ☐ Arrange your seating plan
- ☐ Touch base with your vendors and confirm arrangements
- ☐ Have a bachelorette party

1 WEEK BEFORE:

- ☐ Organize final payments
- ☐ Arrange your beauty treatments
- ☐ Collect suits and dresses
- ☐ Pack for your honeymoon

THE DAY BEFORE:

- ☐ Rehearse the ceremony
- ☐ Go through roles with everyone
- ☐ Pack your wedding day emergency kit
- ☐ Have a good meal and get an early night