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Wedding planning checklist

A practical starting point from 12 months before to the wedding day. Set your own dates, agree an owner and check venue and supplier deadlines.

Planning sooner? Prioritise budget, guests and venue, then reset deadlines.

Owner / Your deadline

12 months before

- [ ] Agree a working budget and a reserve for changes.
- [ ] Estimate the guest count before comparing venues.
- [ ] Choose three priorities together and note what can stay simple.
- [ ] Agree who owns the budget, guest list and supplier decisions.

11 months before

- [ ] Choose possible dates and check key guests' availability.
- [ ] Shortlist venues for your guest count, budget and access needs.
- [ ] Agree the ceremony format and check requirements with the venue or relevant authority.

10 months before

- [ ] Visit or review shortlisted venues and ask about included services.
- [ ] Review written venue terms, payment dates and change conditions.
- [ ] Confirm the date and locations before announcing travel plans.

9 months before

- [ ] Write the same short brief for each supplier you want to compare.
- [ ] Collect written photography, catering and other priority offers.
- [ ] Compare scope, travel, extra hours and payment dates before agreeing.
- [ ] Tell travelling guests the confirmed date and location.

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8 months before

- [ ] Start one guest list with household and invitation details.
- [ ] Gather accommodation and transport options for travelling guests.
- [ ] Plan outfits, fittings and realistic order lead times.

7 months before

- [ ] Draft the ceremony, reception and any separate event schedule.
- [ ] Discuss music, entertainment and equipment with the venue.
- [ ] Agree a decor brief with measurements, access and setup limits.

6 months before

- [ ] Check names, locations, times and travel information for invitations.
- [ ] Choose RSVP questions, meal options and a reply deadline.
- [ ] Decide which practical details each guest needs to receive.
- [ ] Review committed costs and the remaining budget together.

5 months before

- [ ] Review catering options, dietary requests and service timing.
- [ ] Confirm the required furniture, tableware and rental quantities.
- [ ] Plan transport between the ceremony, reception and accommodation.

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4 months before

- [ ] Send invitations when venue details and the reply process are ready.
- [ ] Agree ceremony roles, readings and the people taking part.
- [ ] Check step-free routes, seating and other requested access needs.

3 months before

- [ ] Build a day timeline with setup, travel and handover time.
- [ ] Record a named contact and backup contact for each supplier.
- [ ] Agree the weather backup and who decides when to use it.
- [ ] Check remaining payment dates against written agreements.

2 months before

- [ ] Follow up with guests who have not replied by your chosen deadline.
- [ ] Check meal choices and pass only necessary dietary details to catering.
- [ ] Draft seating with the venue's confirmed table capacities.
- [ ] Finish outfit fittings and allow time for any final adjustments.

1 month before

- [ ] Send agreed supplier briefs and confirm arrival windows.
- [ ] Confirm final guest and meal counts by the venue's deadline.
- [ ] Share the final guest schedule, directions and transport contacts.
- [ ] Arrange any rehearsal and tell participants where and when to arrive.

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The final week

- [ ] Share one final timeline with the coordinator and relevant suppliers.
- [ ] Check the seating chart, place cards and final catering numbers together.
- [ ] Prepare printed or downloaded contacts, briefs and the weather backup.
- [ ] Label and hand over decor, stationery and any agreed equipment.
- [ ] Confirm collection times, rental returns and who handles them.
- [ ] Pack outfits, rings and the personal essentials you chose.

On the wedding day

- [ ] Give the named coordinator the current plan and contact list.
- [ ] Ask the responsible person to check supplier arrivals and setup.
- [ ] Confirm who welcomes guests and helps them find their places.
- [ ] Hand over routine questions and make time to enjoy the day together.