

# The Simple Wedding Planning Checklist

Planning a wedding seems like a daunting task. No wonder so many people hire wedding planners! But if your budget doesn't quite stretch to a personal wedding planner, you don't need to worry. With a simple wedding planning checklist your wedding will go off without a hitch.

To use this wedding planning check list, simply tick off each item as you complete it. You can even add your own items to the wedding planning checklist:

## Wedding Planning Checklist – 1 year before the wedding:

- ☐ Decide on wedding budget
- ☐ Find and book a venue
- ☐ Decide on the theme of your wedding
- ☐ Choose bridesmaids and groomsmen
- ☐ Find a photographer
- ☐ Begin the search for the perfect wedding dress
- ☐ Write approximate guest list
- ☐ Decide on honeymoon location

## Wedding planning checklist – 6 months before wedding

- ☐ Register for gifts
- ☐ Select dresses, suits and accessories for attendants
- ☐ Finalize guest list
- ☐ Find and book a celebrant
- ☐ Schedule dress fittings
- ☐ Choose wedding accessories – jewelry, shoes, and garter
- ☐ Plan and book honeymoon
- ☐ Book wedding night accommodation
- ☐ Choose wedding rings

## Wedding planning checklist – 3 months before wedding

- ☐ Book musicians / DJ
- ☐ Organize rental equipment (tables, chairs, covers, crockery, glasses)
- ☐ Decide on and source venue decorations
- ☐ Send out invitations
- ☐ Book transportation for wedding party
- ☐ Sort out the marriage license

### **Wedding planning checklist – 1 month before wedding**

- ☐ Have final dress fitting
- ☐ Chase up outstanding RSVPs
- ☐ Book hair and makeup appointments
- ☐ Have hens' night and stag do
- ☐ Choose and book flowers
- ☐ Finalize ceremony
- ☐ Make up seating plan and place cards

### **Wedding planning checklist – 1 week before wedding**

- ☐ Don't panic!
- ☐ Give photo wish list to photographer
- ☐ Ring vendors to confirm date and times
- ☐ Pick up suits, dresses and accessories from hire shops
- ☐ Design and print ceremony program
- ☐ Have a rehearsal of ceremony with all wedding party present

### **Wedding planning checklist – day before your wedding**

- ☐ Arrange centerpieces and hang decorations at venue
- ☐ Pack wedding day survival bag – hair pins, dental floss, makeup, safety pins and tissues.
- ☐ Get a good night's sleep!
- ☐ Ensure everyone knows what times they need to arrive.

### **Wedding planning checklist – your wedding day**

- ☐ Eat a light, healthy breakfast.
- ☐ Arrive at hair and makeup appointments
- ☐ Don't panic if anything goes wrong.
- ☐ Ensure your vendors get paid
- ☐ If opening presents, record names and gifts so you can send appropriate thank you cards
- ☐ And, most importantly, enjoy yourself! You're getting married!