



You Said Yes! What's Next?

ESSENTIAL STEPS FOR
PLANNING A WEDDING

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Congratulations on your decision to say yes! Now, let us turn our attention to the next exciting step: planning the wedding of your dreams. Whether you envision a grand celebration or a more intimate gathering, this event will undoubtedly be one you cherish and remember for a lifetime.

While wedding planning can indeed be stressful and, at times, overwhelming and time-consuming, it is ultimately a rewarding experience. This book serves as a valuable starting point as we embark on this beautiful journey together. So, let the planning begin!

6 Steps

to Planning Your Dream Wedding

1.

SET A BUDGET

Set your budget and stick to it. Keeping in mind how much you have and how much you want to spend. Making two lists, one for what you want, another for what you need.

List for Key Items:

Planner

Attire / Rings

Makeup / Beauty

Venue

Ceremony and Reception decor

Florist

Bakery

Bartender

DeeJay /Entertainment

Photo / Video

Transportation

Stationery

Miscellaneous

Emergency





2.

SELECT A DATE.

When choosing your wedding date, take into account the time of year and holidays, as these factors may influence your guests' ability to attend your celebration.

3.

CREATE A GUEST LIST

Creating a guest list can be quite stressful. You want to include everyone that you and your parents know. First, decide on the type of wedding you envision: a small, intimate gathering with around 50 guests, or a larger celebration with 100 guests or more.

To help organize your thoughts, create a list of potential invitees divided into three tiers:

- People who must be invited
- People you genuinely want to invite
- People you can manage without

4.

YOUR VISION AND VENUE

Your personal style deserves thoughtful consideration. Reflect on whether you prefer a formal, casual, rustic, elegant, or whimsical atmosphere. Select color palettes that enhance your vision and align with your personality.



Consider the kind of experience you wish to provide for your guests.

The venue represents one of the largest expenses for your event. It's crucial to find a location that can accommodate all your guests. Since attendees will be coming from various areas, select a venue that is conveniently accessible to major cities and highways. Additionally, ensure the venue's style aligns with your vision. Don't forget to inquire about any restrictions and the setup time required.

A hand holding a smartphone over a desk with a laptop, sticky notes, and a calculator. The background is a soft-focus image of a workspace. A hand is holding a smartphone, which is the central focus. Below the hand, there's a laptop keyboard. To the right, there's a calculator. Several sticky notes are scattered around: one says "Please, don't forget", another says "21", and a third says "Design + 140x". The text "THINGS MAY FEEL OVERWHELMING." is overlaid on the image in a bold, black, serif font, enclosed in a thin, light-colored oval border.

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OVERWHELMING.**

*Just take a moment to
breathe. You Got this!*

5.

PICKING YOUR BRIDAL PARTY

Communication is key in building a strong and harmonious bridal party. Consider organizing a get-together where you can discuss plans, roles, and responsibilities in a relaxed setting. This will not only clarify everyone's duties but also help strengthen bonds among your friends and family. Remember, this is a special time meant to be shared with those closest to you, so choose individuals who will cherish and celebrate your happiness as much as you do. A positive and supportive bridal party can make your journey to the big day even more memorable and joyous.





6.

WEDDING VENDORS

Maintaining your budget should be your highest priority. Make sure to communicate your financial limits with everyone involved. Seek out vendors who are receptive to your ideas and comprehend your budget constraints. Opt for vendors with experience, as they often facilitate smoother collaboration. Don't hesitate to ask family and friends for their recommendations. Trust your instincts and be mindful of first impressions.

List of Vendors

- Wedding Planner / Day-of Coordinator
- Wedding Decorator
- Catering Services
- Photography / Videography
- DJ
- Wedding Officiant
- Florist
- Bakery
- Rental Company

Wishing
you joyful
planning!

