

# 12 Month Bridal Planning Check List

Your wedding is a very special day and requires a great deal of planning.  
Please use this checklist to help you remember all the details.

## 9-12 months prior to the wedding

- Decide on the type of wedding. How many guests? Theme? Colors? How Formal?
- Set a budget
- Choose a date and time of ceremony and events throughout day
- Plan the initial guest list
- Select wedding ceremony & reception locations and make reservations
- Shop for your dress and accessories (approx 5-6 months for delivery)
- Start looking for a photographer, videographer, caterer and entertainment

## 6-9 months prior to the wedding

- Make an appointment with the person who will be perform the ceremony
- Purchase bridal gown & accessories
- Finalize a guest list
- Choose your attendants, select and order their dresses (3-4 months for delivery)
- Register for your gift preferences (1 -2 locations is average)
- Choose a florist; have a consultation to find appropriate floral choices

## 3-6 months prior to the wedding

- Order invitations
- Send wedding announcement to paper
- Double check that all bridal attire has been ordered and get approximate delivery dates
- Select the baker for your wedding cake
- Select wedding favors or gifts
- Select and purchase wedding rings
- Select tuxedos and colors for groomsmen and groom
- Start addressing invitations and mail to guests

## 2-3 months prior to wedding

- Shop for wedding accessories, such as ring pillow, cake knives, wedding album and garters
- Confirm all ceremony and reception reservations
- Plan a wedding rehearsal
- Confirm flower order with florist
- Ask family and friends to help at the ceremony and reception
- Book all groomsmen and groom in for tuxedo fittings

## One month prior to wedding

- Choose gifts for attendants and parents
- Arrange lodging for out of town guests
- Select the Groom/Bride's wedding gift
- Apply for marriage license
- Send maps to out of town guests

## The week of your wedding

- Provide final number of guests to caterer
- Check all final details with baker and florist
- Have a girls day with your attendant's if possible
- Pack for your honeymoon if you are leaving directly after your reception

## The day of your wedding

- Have your hair and make-up done
- Begin dressing about an hour before the service or plan on taking your dress to the ceremony location and dressing there if possible (fewer wrinkles...)
- Breathe deep, relax and enjoy the fantastic day ahead!