



Once you have set the date for your wedding, there are many things to think about.

Keep this checklist handy to tick off the items as you arrange them

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12 months to go

- Consider a colour scheme or theme
- Create a scrapbook with receipts, ideas and pictures
- Decide on your budget and agree who is paying for what
- Decide on the type of ceremony, eg civil or religious
- Book the ceremony venue
- Book your reception venue and the caterers
- Draw up your guest list
- Decide who is going to be your bridesmaids, best man and ushers
- Start shopping for your dress, the bridesmaids dresses and the suits
- Find out about local wedding fairs and plan to visit
- Start shopping for the rings
- Book your honeymoon
- Book the cars, photographer and videographer
- Consider taking out wedding insurance
- Order Save the Date cards/magnets
- Book musicians or DJ

6 months to go

- Send out Save the Dates
- Confirm arrangements with the minister and discuss details
- Order stationery
- Organise the flowers
- Order the cake
- Check passports are in order

3 months to go

- Organise gift list
- Organise vaccinations, visas and currency
- Send out invitations with gift list included (RSVP cards are really handy for prompt replies!)
- Buy tiaras and jewellery
- Organise the hen party and stag night

2 months to go

- Choose presents for the bridesmaids, ushers and best man
- Organise wedding favours
- Consider hymns and music for Order of Service (religious ceremonies)

1 month to go

- Chase up any unanswered invitations
- Draw up a list of who will be attending and work out the seating plan
- Book your hair and make up trial (don't forget to take tiaras, head-dresses, etc.)
- Have the wedding banns read
- Let the caterers know the final number of guests

2 weeks to go

- Ensure speeches have been written
- Write out place name cards
- Organise travellers cheques
- Have your final hair appointment if having colour

1 week to go

- Arrange a rehearsal at the wedding venue
- Confirm reception arrangements
- Confirm all other bookings
- Pack your suitcases for the honeymoon
- Hold the hen party and stag night

On the Day

- Ensure best man has the rings and the ushers have taken the Order of Service to the venue
- Allow plenty of time to get ready
- Put champagne on ice
- Relax and enjoy the day

After your Wedding

- Notify bank, doctor, etc of change of name and address
- Send out thank you cards for gifts
- Tell all your friends about Paperdreamz!