



THE ULTIMATE WEDDING CHECKLIST

PHASE 1: 12 (OR MORE) MONTHS

- Choose a Date
 - Before you can get started on planning it's important that you've chosen a date (or a few depending on the availability of the venue)
- Budget
 - How much do you want to spend?
 - For helpful tips on budgeting [check out my blog post](#)
- Guest List
 - Depending on your budget, try to decide how large of a wedding you want. This doesn't need to be the final version of the guest list.
- Vendors
 - It's essential to book your vendors in advance as they get busier and booked during high-volume wedding seasons.
 - Need help choosing the perfect venue? [Check out my blog where I share some useful tips to help with your decision.](#)

PHASE 2: 9-12 MONTHS

- Guest List
 - No this isn't a mistake; the guest list is here again. It's time to put your thinking cap on and finalize your guest list.
- Wedding Party
 - Choose your wedding party and notify them.
- Dress Shopping (if applicable)
 - It's time to start trying on some dresses! Please note some wedding dress stores are by appointment only. Double-check online or by giving them a call.
- Invitations
 - Start looking into designs. Do you want to do hardcopy invites or e-invites?



- Registry
 - If you are going to be asking for gifts, setting up a registry is beneficial to your guests and to ensure that you receive the gifts you want (instead of 4 identical toasters).
- Party Favors
 - What are you going to give to your guests as a keepsake of your special day?

PHASE 3: 6-8 MONTHS

- Ceremony
 - Start to plan how you would like your ceremony to play out; don't forget to include your JP.
- Wedding Dress
 - It's time to choose the final dress and make sure that it's ordered.
- Vendors
 - Double-check to make sure that all of your vendors are booked- deposits will be made.
- Send Save the Dates (if applicable)
 - Order your invitations/finalize e-invites and ensure you have everyone's email addresses.
- Choose Bridal Party Outfits
 - Again, if visiting a wedding dress shop, schedule an appointment where necessary.

PHASE 4: 4-5 MONTHS

- Send Your Invitations
- Men's Formal Wear
 - It's time to finalize the men's formal wear. Are you going to be renting or purchasing suits?
- Transportation
 - Arrange the transportation for the wedding party and if applicable the wedding guests.



- Bar
 - Will you have a bar at your wedding? Does the venue provide a bartender? If not, it's time to hire someone.
- Decor
 - Going to be making any of your wedding decor? It's time to start now and consider asking your lovely bridal party for a hand if it's lots of crafting.

PHASE 5: 2-3 MONTHS

- Accessories
 - Do you want special jewelry or accessories for your special day?
- Schedule a Dress Fitting
- Music
 - Decide what music you want for walking down the aisle, mother/son dance, father/daughter dance, wedding party entrance, etc.

PHASE 6: 2 MONTHS OUT

- Vendors
 - Confirm delivery times and/or set-up/takedown times
- Hair and Makeup
 - Scheduled trials (bring inspiration if you have any)
- Finalize the Menu

PHASE 7: 1 MONTH OUT

- Get Your Marriage License
- Follow Up on Missing RSVPs
- Finalize All Details

PHASE 8: 1-2 WEEKS

- Send Final Head Count
- Confirm Payments (to Vendors)



- Confirm Schedule with Wedding Party
- Prepare Toasts (if applicable)
- Hair Appointment
 - Trim and Colour

PHASE 9: 2-3 DAYS

- Steam Formal Wear
- Mani/Pedi
- Bring Decor to Venue

PHASE 10: 1 DAY BEFORE

- Rehearse
- Give Marriage License to JP

It's the big day! Enjoy your wedding day!

AFTER THE WEDDING

- Send Thank You Notes
- Submit Reviews to Vendors
- Have Your Dress Cleaned

If you have any questions about the checklist or would like the help of a professional event/wedding planner in the Edmonton and surrounding area, [send us a message!](#) We have numerous years in the industry and a list of trusted vendors which we would be happy to share with you to ensure your wedding day is just as magical as you've always envisioned it.