



WEDDING ITINERARY: A FLEXIBLE GUIDE

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Your Wedding Day Timeline



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This timeline is designed as a helpful starting point to visualize the flow of a typical wedding day. It walks you through each part of the day—from the first moments of getting ready to the last dance—so you can see how everything can fit together smoothly.

But remember: this is only a template. Your wedding is uniquely yours, and every detail should reflect your personal style, priorities, and vision. Use this guide to spark ideas, adjust the timing, and create an itinerary that works perfectly for you, your partner, and your celebration.

Think of it as your wedding day blueprint—ready for you to customize, swap around, or completely reinvent to fit the day you've always dreamed of.

Morning Preparations

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM: Wake up, have a light breakfast, and start hydrating.

- *Important:* Avoid salty foods to minimize any bloating.

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM: Hair and makeup artists arrive.

- Set up a dedicated space with good lighting and ventilation.
- Share any inspiration photos you have.

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Hair and makeup for the bride and bridal party.

- Create a fun and relaxed atmosphere with music and snacks.
- Delegate someone to handle any vendor questions.

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM: Lunch break.

- Order in something easy and enjoyable for everyone.
- Stay hydrated!

Afternoon Activities

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM: Getting dressed.

- Allow ample time to get into your dress and accessories.
- Designate someone to help with any tricky closures or adjustments.

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM: Photographer arrives and starts taking getting-ready photos.

- Capture candid moments and portraits with your bridal party.
- Remember to relax and enjoy the process.

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM: Travel to the ceremony location.

- Ensure transportation is arranged for the bridal party.
- Allow extra time for traffic or unexpected delays.

4:00 PM - 4:30 PM: Final touch-ups and pre-ceremony photos.

- Take some individual portraits and group shots.
- Relax and take a few deep breaths before walking down the aisle.

Ceremony and Reception

4:30 PM - 5:00 PM: Wedding ceremony.

- Enjoy this special moment and let your love shine through.
- Remember to smile and make eye contact with your partner.

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM: Cocktail hour/ Bridal & Family Photos

- Guests mingle and enjoy drinks and appetizers.
- The wedding party takes formal photos.

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM: Wedding reception begins.

- Grand entrance of the wedding party.
- First dance.
- Welcome speeches from the host(s).

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM: Dinner service.

- Enjoy a delicious meal with your guests.
- Consider pre-setting dietary requirements to the caterers.

8:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Speeches and Formalities

- Heartfelt speeches from family and friends.
- Family Dances and Bouquet/Garter Tosses

9:00 PM - 11:00 PM: Open dance floor.

- Let loose and dance the night away with your loved ones.
- Don't forget to take breaks and stay hydrated.

11:00 PM - 12:00 AM: Cake cutting and late-night snacks.

- Serve a sweet treat and keep the energy high with some late-night snacks.
- A great opportunity for some final photo opportunities.

Final Note

This guide is simply a starting point—a vision to help you imagine the natural flow of your day. Your wedding is one-of-a-kind, and your schedule should reflect the moments, traditions, and priorities that mean the most to you.

If you have a wedding planner, trust their expertise. They work in harmony with your vendors, ceremony, and reception times, ensuring every detail is timed to perfection. They've orchestrated countless celebrations and have the insight to adjust the flow so everything feels effortless and unforgettable.

Use this template as inspiration, then allow your planner's experience—and your own vision—to shape the timeline that will bring your dream day to life.