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This is the only wedding checklist you will ever need. This planning timeline with free printable is here to help you every step of the way. Just perfect for UK-based couples and beyond looking for a simple to-do list to save.No matter the timeline you are working to, you can still utilise these top wedding planning tips. Bookmark this page right now and make wedding planning made a breeze. Yes!Image: Kazooieloki Photography Ultimate Wedding Checklist & TimelineChecklist By Timeline Wedding planning is best tackled in sections. Breaking down what can feel overwhelming at times into smaller chunks will help you to nail your wedding admin. Below you will find a comprehensive and detailed wedding checklist, with links to advice articles to assist you along the way.Plus you can come back, again and again, to help you along your whole wedding journey.Be sure to download the wedding planning checklist PDF to keep you on track too. Weve been inspiring couples to DO THEM since 2010, so we know a thing or two about weddings. Ultimately we think that wedding planning should be super fun and not a stressful experience.Just EngagedImage: Fiona Kelly Photography Rings: Nikki Stark Jewellery 1. Choose Your Engagement RingIf you have been waiting to buy your engagement ring, its time to go ring shopping. Yay! But first, check out how much an engagement ring costs on average.2. Share Your NewsYour proposal has taken place, you are newly engaged so be sure to enjoy the special moment by sharing your engagement announcement.3. Have An Engagement PartyIts the only time youll ever be able to host one, so go for it. It doesnt need to be a huge extravagant affair (of course if thats your thing then go wild).You could have drinks at the pub, have a BBQ or even a picnic in the park. An engagement party is the perfect way to celebrate with your closest loved ones and really mark the occasion. Especially if you are choosing to have a long engagement.4. Set A DateIts time to set a wedding date! Think about setting a rough time guide if you are flexible on the exact date. For example, choosing a season and year to work towards. Its often a good idea to decide too if youd like a mid-week or weekend date. Then you can give your nearest and dearest a guideline now to ensure they dont double book.5. Create A Mood BoardId really recommend Pinterest to collate your virtual wedding mood board. You can start with an overall fun wedding board with styling and colour ideas. Before going further in-depth later down the line (more on this later!). Its a great way of nailing down what you both love (and dont love) before moving on to more serious wedding planning.6. Subscribe To Our NewsletterOur newsletter will keep you up to date with all of our latest wedding advice. You will get freebies sent straight to your inbox and all the newest inspiration on our pages. The first step in your wedding checklist is officially done.2 Years To GoImage: Thyme Lane Photography 7. Set Your BudgetSetting your wedding budget is the very first key step to your planning. Try to be as accurate as you can to ensure you are realistic with your costs and avoid any budget shortfalls. Discover if any of your family are looking to contribute too so you can get a final, maximum figure.We can help you work out your budget with our free downloadable wedding budget planner spreadsheet. Check out the average UK wedding cost to gauge prices as well as our guide on how to have a budget wedding or how much wedding flowers cost.8. Get OrganisedTo get totally organised consider downloading our free wedding planning spreadsheets, keeping all of your lists online is a great way to stay organised. It means you can access them via any device and you can add contributors too. If you fancy a more traditional method then a folder or file is a great option too. If you are looking to hire a wedding planner, now is the time to book one!9. Set Up Wedding AccountsIf you are hoping to keep your wedding admin and your usual online activities separate. Then you could think about setting up a dedicated wedding email address and wedding social media account. It means that everything stays together in one place. If you ever want to switch off from the planning to-dos you simply dont log in.10. Find Wedding InspirationWedding blogs, just like this one (hello!) are a great way to find lots of wedding ideas. Wedding blogs feature real weddings, inspirational editorials and wedding planning advice. It means you can discover the latest trends, real-life wedding stories and beautiful images to inspire you.Following wedding social media accounts is a great way to stay up to date. Instagram and Facebook are both great ways to stay in the loop. As mentioned earlier, Pinterest is a really visual way to find wedding ideas too.11. Find Your Wedding VenueThe next logical step is to find your perfect venue. Your venue will then dictate your wedding date and the number of guests you can invite. If you are looking at more than one venue, perhaps you are hosting your ceremony and reception in different locations. Then you will need to coordinate your dates with both settings.If you are thinking of a humanist ceremony, look to book your wedding celebrant now. Dont forget your wedding marquee or tent too.12. Book Wedding InsuranceWedding insurance is a really important element of planning that can easily be overlooked. Ensure you are covered for peace of mind, but make sure to carefully check the policy to ensure it covers all your needs.18 Months To GoImage: Marianne Chua 13. Choose Your Guest ListChoosing your wedding guest list can be one of the trickiest parts of wedding planning. But its an important step and one to try to tick off of your wedding checklist early on. This avoids any unnecessary expectations and means you can go ahead and send those save the dates.14. Book Your Photographer & VideographerOne of the very best investments you can make into your wedding has to be your wedding photos and film. Choosing your wedding photographer is super important and finding the right one will ensure you love your photos forever.Booking your photographer and your filmmaker early will ensure you dont miss out as they can be booked very far in advance. Especially talented professionals if you are looking at peak dates. Find out how much a wedding photographer costs and dont forget to book your wedding photo booth too!15. Choose Your Wedding PartyThats right, its time to choose your bridesmaids, groomsmen, best man and maid of honour. Or of course your best woman, groomsmaids or bridesmen. Dont feel that you have to stick to convention or tradition when it comes to wedding party roles. It could be you prefer not to have a wedding party at all.Choosing those roles now will ensure that those whod like to be involved can help with your wedding planning. Plus it wont be long until you will be on the hunt for attire too! Find out who does wedding speeches too before you allocate those roles.16. Visit Wedding FairsWedding fairs are a right of passage when it comes to the wedding experience. It always makes for an exciting expedition and you will end up armed with ideas and fun memories to boot.12 Months To GoImage: Frame Of Love 17. Start Outfit Shopping Brides & GroomsShopping for your wedding outfits is a very exciting step in your wedding checklist planning process. Wedding dress and suit shopping 12 months in advance will ensure that your outfits are able to be made and altered with plenty of time. If you are buying custom or bespoke options you do need to leave yourself as much time as possible for the process. Dont forget to find out the average cost of wedding dresses in the UK!You can find hundreds of groom suit ideas on the blog by the way.18. Book Your EntertainmentYour wedding entertainment can really make your day, setting the atmosphere and creating lifelong memories. Whether you are looking for a live band or a string quartet, now is the time to start your search! Why not check out our wedding music checklist to help you along?Its a good idea to think about wedding games too.19. Start Looking For Wedding Party OutfitsTheyve said yes and now its time to find those all-important wedding party outfits. It could be that you ask your wedding party to rock their own attire. You could rent clothes, give them a budget to choose their own or go out shopping together to find them.Find out my picks for where to buy bridesmaid dresses online in the UK as well as outfits for mothers of the bride/groom.20. Book Your CatererBooking your wedding food and drink suppliers now will mean you will have enough time to then decide on your menu. It will also allow time for tastings! Yum. Check out this wedding breakfast guide to answer your FAQs too!9 Months To GoImage: Holly Collings Photography21. Create A Wedding WebsiteA wedding website is a great way to share all the up-to-date info with your guests. Simply share the link on your invitations for all the extra details they may need in the run-up and post-wedding. There are lots of UK wedding website builders to choose from, many of which are free!22. Choose Your Wedding CakeFind your wedding cake designer, and start thinking about your wedding cake ideas and cake flavours. There are so many amazing wedding cake ideas, such as buttercream wedding cakes, wedding dessert tables or naked wedding cakes.Perhaps you are looking to make a DIY naked wedding cake? No matter your plans there is one thing for certain, you should definitely check out our wedding cake guide and how much wedding cakes cost.23. Send Your Save The DatesThink about sending your save the dates now, just to make sure those important to you keep your wedding date free. Your checklist is certainly getting smaller now.24. Book Your FloristIf you are hoping to hire a pro wedding florist start searching now. The best of the business can get booked up and you can start working together to achieve your perfect wedding day flowers.Its also a good time to start looking for wedding flower inspiration. Such as summer wedding flower ideas, autumn wedding flowers, spring wedding flowers, winter wedding flower ideas, dried wedding flowers, flower crown ideas and church wedding flowers.6 Months To GoImage: Matt Penberthy 25. Wedding Dcor & StyleIf you have a Pinterest account set up, now think about creating boards for different aspects of your day. Such as a board for flowers or a board for wedding decorations. If you have a wedding theme or a colour scheme in mind you can now start to refine it.Look to book wedding dcor hire or a stylist to help things along, especially for large decor such as wedding backdrops. Place settings can be DIY or certain elements such as crockery could be hired in.Another idea to sensitively add to your day is a wedding memory table if youd like to honour a lost loved one.Alternatively, begin the process of crafting if you are having a DIY wedding. Check out our DIY wedding tutorials too if you are set to craft up a storm! As well as our how to plan A DIY wedding guide, the wedding decor checklist and these wedding centrepiece ideas.26. Arrange Your Gift ListArranging your gift list now will ensure you can include the details on your stationery. You will be sure to have a lot of fun window shopping to your hearts content!27. Book Your HoneymoonYour honeymoon can be taken straight after your wedding day or you could delay. If you are looking to adventure straight off though book it now. If you are hoping to have a honeymoon fund gift list, look into organising this now instead.28. Order Wedding StationeryYou have your date, so now its time to order your stationery! Find a stationery designer to create your dream wedding invitations and your on-the-day stationery or begin designing your own. Dont forget to work out your wedding invitation wording too.29. Buy Your RingsYour wedding rings are one of the most important elements of your day. They are the one tangible thing from your day that will be by your side forever. Its an important decision and if you are going bespoke, you will need to allow enough time for them to be made. Another important part of your checklist is complete.30. Guest AccommodationIts a good idea to start booking your guests into their overnight accommodation now. It means there is enough time to organise and arrange everyone. Not to mention availability for all of your guests at their location of choice.31. Buy Your AccessoriesYou have the perfect dress or suit, but now its time to purchase the accessories. Whether you are looking for bridal accessories such as shoes, jewellery or hair pieces or groom accessories such as ties, pocket squares and cufflinks. Its a good idea to find these in advance of any final fittings and beauty/grooming trials.32. Book Hen & Stag DosWhether you are looking to have an epic night out or a luxe weekend away. Its a good idea to get planning your hen and stag dos (or ask your wedding party to). Dont forget you could also have a hag do (a party for everyone), a family get-together or even a bridal shower. Dont feel you have to stick with tradition.33. Book Your TransportBook your transport, whether its just for you, your immediate wedding party, or all of your guests. This will help you to plan timings and prepare for guests needs on the day.4 Months To Go Image: Kristian Leven Photography 34. Send Your InvitesSend off your invitations to allow enough time for RSVPs, requests, guest list changes and final number counts with your wedding venue. Find out more about when wedding invitations are sent.35. Buy GiftsPurchase gifts for your wedding party to say thank you. Dont forget your husband/wife too; something special to say I love you on the wedding morning. 36. Arrange The Little DetailsFrom the wedding favours to the table plan, guest book and table names. Get all of those smaller details organised. This is possibly the most fun element of your checklist.But first, do think about what wedding favours are and if they are right for your day. And how about those wedding napkin folds?37. Make Up & Hair TrialsFind your dream wedding hairstyles, hair stylist and make-up artist, then book those all-important trial runs!Dont forget to bring along your hair accessories and any look ideas you have to try out. Also, think about whether youd like a wedding day perfume.38. Engagement ShootBook your engagement shoot with your photographer. Its a wonderful opportunity to capture this precious moment in time. Its also a great way to gain confidence in front of the camera and get to know your photographer on a more personal level.39. Start Changing Your NameIf you are thinking about changing your name, some preparations before your wedding mean you will be able to use it sooner. Get that admin out of the way now to ensure you can enjoy your newly-wed status on your honeymoon.40. Arrange Notice Of Marriage or BannsArrange to give notice at your register office. You have to give notice 29 days before your wedding ceremony and hold your wedding within 12 months. If you are having a Church of England or Wales wedding, organise for your banns to be read. Your officiant can guide you with the legalities.41. Choose Wedding MusicChoosing your wedding music is super fun. Make sure you choose wedding songs that mean something to you. Dont forget that first dance song too!42. Pick Ceremony ReadingsNow is also the time to choose and finalise your wedding readings and arrange your ceremony details with your officiant. It allows time to organise the order of service, rehearsals and any changes that may need to happen too.43. Outfit AlterationsMake sure you begin to alter all the outfits, whether thats the dress, suits or wedding party outfits. This will allow time for the final fittings later on!44. Write Your Speeches & VowsIts a good idea to begin thinking about the speech and wedding vow writing now to save any last-minute panic. It will also give you time to find inspiration and practice reading them too. Why not grab my free grooms speech template download or my best mans speech template?45. Have Your Wedding TastingOne of the most fun parts of wedding planning has to be testing out your menu. The perfect excuse for a pre-wedding date too!2 Months To Go Photo: Amber Louise Photography via Minimalist Barn Wedding 46. Work Out Your TimelineSit down and work out your wedding day timeline. By now you should have most of your suppliers booked, the legalities organised and all of your outfits and dcor arranged. So its important to work out your timings. Be sure to hand it around to those who need to know it all too.47. Confirm Details With SuppliersGet in touch with all of your suppliers to confirm your bookings and tie up any loose ends. Its also a good idea to give the suppliers a contact person for the day itself.48. Book In TreatmentsMake sure you book in beauty or grooming treatments in the final week before the wedding.49. Check The RSVPsIts a good idea to start thinking about checking all the RSVPs as your venue will be looking for final numbers confirmation.50. Buy ConfettiBuy your fluttery beautiful confetti now. It will leave you with enough time to find the perfect petal or paper and allow you to store it safely before the big day.51. Confirm The Rehearsal DateIf you are having a wedding rehearsal confirm this and invite the appropriate guests. Dont forget you could head off for drinks or dinner after to make the most of it too!1 Month To Go Image: Jonny MP 52. Pay Final BalancesCheck in with your suppliers to see if you need to pay off any final balances. Some suppliers may ask for payment on the day, so be sure to be prepared for this.53. Organise Your Table PlanNow you have your final numbers its a good time to organise your wedding tables. Use our handy free downloadable wedding table planner to help.54. Break-In Your ShoesStart breaking in your wedding shoes and remind your wedding party to do so too! Sore feet equals zero dance floor action, a no-no for fun party weddings.55. Assign Roles To Your Wedding PartyFormally give out wedding party roles to your wedding party. Think about giving out a contact sheet with your suppliers details (paper or virtual). Assign confetti distributors, someone to help with on the day timings and group photo organisers too.56. Have Your Final FittingsIts time for those final outfit fittings. Then more often than not you will be given a date for outfit pick up. Be sure to make a note in your calendar. Its getting very exciting now.1 Week To GoYour wedding week has arrived, woohoo!57. Have Your Beauty TreatmentsTime to be pampered. Get your hair cut, have treatments and relax.58. Pick Up OutfitsCollect all of your wedding outfits and distribute them to your wedding party. Then resist wearing them for the whole week!59. Have A Relaxed Pre-Wedding Get TogetherHave a chilled-out date night or laid-back drinks with your loved ones.60. Drop Off Decor At Your VenueArrange to drop off your wedding dcor at your venue or get decorating yourself if you are DIYing your day.61. Pack For Your HoneymoonIf you are heading off on your honeymoon or mini-moon pack your bags now. You will be tired post-wedding and trust me, you will be relieved when you remember this has been done already.62. Pack A Bag For The Day & NightPack a wedding day emergency kit bag with helpful things for the day; medicine, plasters, tissues, lip balm, needle and thread and so forth. Plus your overnight wedding bag.Dont forget something old, new, borrowed and blue.1 Day To Go Photo: Fairclough Studios via Tipi Garden Wedding 63. Rest & RelaxIts going to be a busy day, so take time to relax. Do some exercise, have a soak in the bath and do whatever makes you feel chilled.64. Get A Good Nights SleepEasier said than done, but you will feel bright-eyed thanks to a good nights sleep. Whether you choose to spend the night before with your bride/groom or your besties, plan something lovely. Wedding films, fave drinks or a special meal are nice ways to spend the evening.65. Write A LetterWhy not write your soul mate a letter or write in your journal all that you are feeling at this very special moment?Post-Wedding66. Go On Your HoneymoonIts time to enjoy the newlywed bubble! Have fun and enjoy this special adventure.67. Share Your NewsAnnounce your wedding news far and wide! Update your social channels, show off your ring and most importantly; be happy.68. Send A Thank YouBe sure to send wedding thank you cards to those who gave you a gift. Perhaps to suppliers you feel went above and beyond too.69. Receive Your Photos & FilmIt wont be long until you receive your wedding photos and film. Be sure to share your gallery links with your guests to enjoy and add the link to your wedding website. Then think about ordering your wedding album and prints!70. Leave Supplier ReviewsGive back to your wedding suppliers by leaving glowing testimonials on their review pages.71. Preserve Your Wedding FlowersWant to keep your wedding flowers? Within a week of your wedding, you should begin preserving your wedding bouquet. Any later and you may miss out on keeping your flowers at their best.72. OutfitsPost-wedding, you may wish to think about whether youd like to keep or do something special with your outfits. There are lots of special things you can do with your wedding dress after the day. You could alter, donate, sell, keep and plan a photo shoot with your gown!73. Plan Something FunIts good to be prepared for possible post-wedding blues. Some brides and grooms can feel a little down when all the excitement has subdued. So be sure to plan something fun to look forward to. PS. Dont forget your wedding anniversary!UK Wedding Planning Checklist DownloadPrint, pin, download or screenshot our wedding checklist to keep you on track throughout your wedding planning journey. No need to thank us, we just want to help! You can grab it below. Happy wedding planning guys. Congratulations! Youre engaged! Take a moment to bask in the afterglow of that just-said-yes moment. This is one of the most exciting times of your life, so enjoy every second of it. Planning a wedding is a big deal and can be overwhelming, but were here to help make sure that you have fun along the way. Dont want to miss anything? Kickstart your wedding planning with our all-in-one checklist! Inside, youll find separate sheets tailored for Chinese, Indian, Malay, and Christian weddings, each with detailed checklists. Plus, helpful links for each task guide you along the way. 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Free printable wedding checklist to get you organized before your wedding. If you also need to take care of the decor, then see our wedding decor checklist. The wedding arrangements checklist is available in 5 different formats: Google Docs, Google Sheets, MS Word, fillable PDF, and MS Excel. For more wedding printables see how to plan a wedding. Pin Pin Pin With a section for notes Pin Pin Pin Pin Pin Without a section for notes (i,e, checklist only) Other Wedding Printables WEDDING CHECKLIST (Begins 12 months prior to the wedding) This wedding timeline checklist plans every detail of your wedding starting one year before the wedding. It is available in Google Docs, Google Sheets, MS Word, MS Excel, or Fillable PDF. WEDDING DAY TIMELINE (Ceremony and Reception) The wedding reception timeline plans each activity before and during your wedding ceremony and reception. 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These are the items included in our detailed wedding planning list, month by month, which you can download in Google Docs, Google Sheets, MS Word, PDF, or Excel above. The printable version has a tick list because we all know how satisfying it is to tick completed tasks on your to do list. Up to 12 months before Set a date Get inspiration and ideas (see Pinterest and inspiration board) Decide on a wedding style Set priorities Set budget Choose the wedding party Find a venue for the ceremony and reception Find a wedding planner Find a photographer Find a caterer Find a florist Find a musician Find a wedding dress Order save the dates Consider purchasing wedding insurance. If desired, set up a wedding website. 10 11 months before Start looking for dresses and accessories for the bride and bridal party Reserve a venue for the ceremony and reception Book a photographer Book a DJ/band Book a florist Book a wedding planner Book a caterer Decide on dcor Start making a guest list Research legal requirements for marriage in your state or country 9 10 months before Plan a honeymoon Start looking for invitations and stationery (wedding invitations, menu cards, thank you notes) Start looking for favors Choose dresses and accessories for the bride and bridal party Consider engagement photos or a pre-wedding photoshoot 7 8 months before Find two hotels for guests coming from out of town Create gift registries Start deciding on hairstyle and makeup style Book an officiant Reserve tables, chairs, linens, Reserve dcor Choose cake Decide on menu Begin thinking about wedding vows or readings for the ceremony (see our free wedding vows generator) 6 7 months before Meet with officiant Book cake Schedule tastings Decide on outfits for groomsmen Book a florist Book a musician Finalize a guest list Research and book transportation for guests if many are coming from out of town 4 5 months before Choose flowers for the reception, party, attendants, etc. Order wedding cake Schedule dress fittings Book honeymoon flights and hotels Book a room for the wedding night Finalize a rehearsal dinner guest list Purchase or rent toasting flutes and serving pieces Purchase or make a guest book Order a flower basket Buy a ring bearer pillow Look into wedding insurance if you havent already Discuss and plan pre-wedding parties or events (like bachelor/bachelorette parties, bridal showers) 3 4 months before Prepare playlists for DJ/band Book rehearsal dinner venue Finalize reception menu Order menu cards Order wedding favors Order rehearsal dinner invitations Finalize any rental orders or adjustments 3 months before Finalize honeymoon plans Ensure your passports are valid if your honeymoon is abroad Plan ceremony Plan reception seating Experiments with hair to decide on a hairstyle Create RSVP list Book spa and beauty treatments for you and your bridal party for the week before Book a manicure, pedicure, and massage for the day before 2 months before Send wedding invitations Update RSVP list Begin writing wedding vows (see our free wedding vows generator) Meet with the officiant to plan the ceremony Apply for a marriage license Finalize fittings for wedding dress and wedding party Finalize seating Finalize playlists with DJ/band Create a wedding day schedule and send it to the wedding party, vendors, and officiant Get Something Old, New, Borrowed, Blue Order transportation for wedding day Pick up wedding rings Buy shoes and undergarments Discuss and finalize ceremony details: readings, music, etc Consider preparing a welcome bag for out-of-town guests 1 month before Give a copy of your honeymoon itinerary to someone at home Call vendors to confirm the date, time, and location Confirm honeymoon reservations Pick up your marriage license Update registries Delegate someone to return all rentals Consider a teeth-whitening procedure if desired. 2 weeks before Pack for honeymoon Final fitting for the wedding dress Makeup trials Follow up with guests who have not RSVPd Give the caterer the final count Prepare wedding day emergency kit Break-in wedding shoes Send playlists to DJ/band and create a Do Not Play list if there are songs you definitely dont want to be played Provide any specific song requests for special moments (e.g., father-daughter dance, bouquet toss) Prepare payments for vendors Prepare cash tips for service providers Meet with the photographer to discuss requests 1 week before Get a haircut and color Prepare all wedding clothes Get spa and beauty treatments for you and your bridal party Confirm day-of timeline with all vendors Make any final adjustments with vendors Finalize any personal DIY projects or decorations Prepare an overnight bag for the wedding night, if not returning home Ensure someone is designated to gather and keep safe gifts/cards from guests Designate a person for vendor questions on the day, so youre not constantly approached with questions The day before Get a mani/pedi/massage Attend wedding rehearsal Wedding day Eat a good breakfast Give wedding rings to the best man After the wedding Return all rentals Get wedding dress cleaned Send out thank you cards Get photos and video Consider preserving the bouquet Review vendors online or provide testimonials if you were happy with their services If changing your name, start the legal name change process Download PDF The wedding checklist PDF version is fillable (you can type on it). 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Back then, I wanted to ensure every detail was perfect, so I crafted a comprehensive plan to keep everything on track. After my wedding, I shared this checklist with friends, and each time it was used, we made improvements based on their experiences. Over the years, it has been refined and updated, incorporating valuable feedback to become the detailed guide it is today. Whether youre just starting your wedding planning journey or are deep into the details, this checklist has been tried, tested, and improved, making it a reliable companion for your big day. Tips for Staying Organized and Stress-Free As someone who has navigated the complexities of wedding planning, I know how overwhelming it can feel. Here are some strategies that helped me stay on track: Delegate Tasks: Early in my planning, I realized I couldnt do it all. I assigned specific tasks to family members and friends who were eager to help. This not only lightened my load but also made them feel included in the process. Keep Everything in One Place: As you progress you will find you accumulate loads of documents and to do lists. Having all my checklists, RSVPs, and vendor contacts in one place was a lifesaver. I could update details on the go, and it ensured everyone was on the same page. Google Docs is a good place to store everything as you can give other people access to your files. Schedule Regular Check-Ins: Weekly check-ins with my vendors and key helpers kept everything running smoothly. It allowed me to address any issues early and adjust plans as needed. These meetings became my touchstone, giving me confidence that everything was on track. Prioritize Self-Care: Amidst the planning chaos, I made it a point to take time for myself. Whether it was a quick spa day or just a morning walk, these moments of self-care recharged me and kept the stress at bay. Remember, a well-rested mind is key to effective planning. By incorporating these tips, I was able to enjoy the journey leading up to my wedding day rather than feeling overwhelmed by it. Planning your wedding should be a joyous experience, and staying organized is crucial to making that happen. About the Author My name is Nicole and I created this website to share the tools that keep me organized and productive and help me reach my goals. I hope that you will find them helpful too. Being organized doesnt come naturally to me, but Ive learned that putting in the effort to stay organized significantly reduces my stress and makes me more productive. By using the planners and other templates on this site, Ive been able to simplify my life and stay on top of my responsibilities. Author: by Valeriya Istomina Updated: Jul 04, 2024 Just engaged? Congratulations and welcome to the wanting-to-plan-the-perfect-wedding, bride-to-be bandwagon! While you let that feeling of excitement and sheer happiness of marrying your soulmate sink in, lets let you in on the one secret that will make everything possible checklists. Yes, thats right, planning and organization are what it takes to create your version of the perfect magical wedding youve always wanted, and checklists are the only way to make that possible. We know just how stressful, sometimes even insanely overwhelming, curating the right wedding checklist can be, but dont worry, we got your back.With our comprehensive wedding checklists that, by the way, can easily be downloaded or printed, whatever floats your boat, your wedding planning will be a cakewalk. We kid you not when we tell you that with our carefully tailored detailed checklists, you wouldnt just be able to keep track of all your wedding goals and to-dos, but you will also be the radiant and happy bride walking down the aisle with nothing to worry about.Lets dive right in. I just got engaged, whats next?! The excitement of getting engaged on one hand and the self-imposed pressure of wanting your wedding to be perfect can be too much for you to handle. And while you might be an amazing planner, the stress can get the best of you even when you think you have everything sorted out.This checklist can help by not just keeping your anxiety at bay but by also helping you track your weekly wedding planning goals. From making your status updates on social media, researching wedding venues and choosing a bride box that fits your need to help you determine your wedding size, there is no stone that our checklist leaves unturned.FREE Download: Post Engagement Checklist Engagement party timeline/checklist No guest should leave your engagement party without being wowed. Thats the goal. And to make that happen, our engagement party checklist will help you chalk out a plan for everything from the venue, food, guests, and attire. Download the checklist and plan the best party ever!(no email or registration required) ADVERTISEMENT Your browser does not support the video tag. 12 months wedding checklist/timeline Save to When its right, its right. Whether your wedding is 16 months, 12 months, or even just 8 months away, planning and time management is the key to organizing the wedding of your dreams. Designed by the best wedding planners out there, our wedding planning checklist is created to help you have the wedding of your dreams. Your timeline is chunked down to small milestones, each of which gets you significantly closer to your wedding goals. And for our brides who like to add a bit of their own style to their planning, our checklists can easily be tailored to fit their own custom timelines. Wedding budget worksheet Budgeting is the foundation of planning the perfect wedding and might we say, the most stressful aspect of it. It doesnt matter whether you spend $10,000 or $100,000 on your dream wedding. Unless you have a figure in mind and you know what money gets spent where there is no way you can keep your perfect wedding engine running.With our checklist, you wont just be able to list and track every penny you spend on wedding planning and shopping but will also get a good nights sleep knowing you have everything from costs for vendors, venue, catering, dress, wedding ring, and a million other wedding things, all sorted out. One of the best features of the wedding budget checklist is that it is available in excel format allowing you to put your own numbers and customize your budget to fit your needs.To use this checklist, click on the link below, then click File and make your own copy (you need to be authorized with your Google Account, you can do it by clicking on an icon at the top right corner). Wedding day photography checklist A picture is worth a thousand words, even more, when the pictures were talking about are the ones of your wedding. From selecting the timing, choosing the right location, having the perfect arrangement and props to go along with, there is more than having the best photographer in town, that goes into capturing the essence of your wedding experience. With our wedding day photography checklist, you can easily pan out the tiniest details to have the most amazing wedding shots to look back at and reminisce about the biggest day of your life. (no email or registration required) Maid of Honor Checklist Lets take a moment to thank our beautiful maid of honor who is there to deal with all our tantrums and last minute woes as brides. Planning the wedding of your dreams is as much a challenge for them, as it is for you. Download this checklist for free! We recommend you grab this bridesmaid checklist that will make everything from planning the bridal shower, bachelorette party, and any other pre-wedding events abundantly easy. 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Make life easier for your mom and download this free checklist! Wedding guest list + questionnaire Knowing who to invite and how to seat them can all get a bit too much but fret not for our wedding guest checklist will not just help you prioritize your guest list but also keep track of everyone who will and will not be attending your wedding. Fill in our questionnaire and find out who will be on your guest list! Wedding alcohol calculator As fun as having alcohol in your wedding is, it takes a lot of planning and budgeting to ensure you have enough for all your guests. With our alcohol checklist, you wont just be able to provide the booze your guests love but also ensure no one leaves your party without a taste, unless they dont want to.To use this checklist, click on the link below, then click File and make your own copy (you need to be authorised with your Google Account, you can do it clicking on an icon at the top right corner). 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