

Wedding Timeline

Six or more months ahead

- ☐ Think about the type of wedding you want – Formal or informal, big or small- and the time of year you want it to take place
- ☐ Set budget
- ☐ Hire wedding coordinator, if desired
- ☐ Compile guest list, and organize addresses
- ☐ Finalize wedding date
- ☐ Reserve ceremony and reception sites
- ☐ Choose attendants
- ☐ Order dress and accessories, including veil and shoes

Four to six months ahead

- ☐ Reserve rental equipment, such as tables, chairs, and tents
- ☐ Arrange transportation for the wedding day
- ☐ Order stationery, including invitations and thank-you notes; book calligrapher, if using
- ☐ Register for gifts
- ☐ Purchase or reserve groom's attire
- ☐ Buy stockings and any special lingerie your dress requires
- ☐ Reserve accommodations for out-of-town guests
- ☐ Sign up for dance lessons

Two to four months ahead

- ☐ Discuss details of menu with caterer
- ☐ Discuss service with officiate
- ☐ Choose readings for ceremony
- ☐ Write your wedding vows, if you choose
- ☐ Schedule rehearsal time and rehearsal dinner
- ☐ Try out makeup and hairstyle
- ☐ Mail invitations
- ☐ Write thank-you notes as gifts arrive

One to two months ahead

- ☐ Buy guest book
- ☐ Have programs printed