

Central College Guide to a Perfect Wedding

Six to Twelve Months before the Wedding

Date	Completed
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Set the wedding date
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Determine the type of wedding
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Discuss wedding budget
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Reserve the Church or location: check seating capacity
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Engage the Minister; check on requirements
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Call and check requirements for marriage license
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Select members of the Bridal Party
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Select wedding gown and accessories
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Select attendants gowns and accessories
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Determine attire for male attendants
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Book photographer and discuss fees for wedding and reception
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Reserve musicians and select music
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Contact florist and reserve time, check on floral preservation for bouquet
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Make guest list for wedding, reception, announcements
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Plan reception and book reservations caterer, music & decorations
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Shop for wedding rings
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Plan honeymoon-confirm all reservations in writing

Three to Four Months before the Wedding

Date	Completed
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Register for gifts-select patterns for china, silver, glassware, etc.
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete the guest lists
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Order wedding cake and arrange delivery
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Order tuxedos, shoes, etc
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Purchase guest book and wedding album
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Order invitations, announcements, thank you's etc.
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Have portrait taken for newspapers
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Finalize florist arrangements, garter, ring pillow, etc.

Two Months before the Wedding

Date	Completed
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Address and stamp invitations and announcements
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Write thank you's as gifts are received
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Make beauty shop appointments
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Check newspapers for deadlines and announcement requirements
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Purchase paper products for reception-determine printing on napkins, matchbooks, etc.

One Month before the Wedding

Date	Completed
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Reconfirm all dates and services-caterer, florist, cake, etc.
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Select groom's gift
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Check bridal party attire to be ready one week before the wedding
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Fittings for wedding gown – get description for newspapers
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Notify changes of mailing addresses and phone number
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Select gifts for bridal party
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Arrange accommodations for out of town guests
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Obtain marriage license – call and check requirements
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Make plans for bridesmaids' and groomsmen's parties
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Finalize plans for rehearsal and dinner, including place cards
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Finalize plans for reception, including seating arrangements
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Mail invitations three weeks before

Two Weeks before the Wedding

Date Completed

- _____ Check dressing area for day of wedding
- _____ Give caterer final number of reception guests
- _____ Have luncheon for bridal party and present gifts
- _____ Prepare announcements for mailing the day of the wedding
- _____ Arrange transportation to and from the wedding and reception

One Week before the Wedding

Date Completed

- _____ Send announcement and photograph to newspapers with descriptions
- _____ Begin packing
- _____ Pick up tuxedos-check sizes and see if all items have been included
- _____ Finalize rehearsal details with all members of wedding party, musicians, clergy, etc.
- _____ Leave honeymoon itinerary with trusted member of family
- _____ Prepare fees for clergy, church, musicians, etc.
- _____ Bachelor party-present gifts

Day of the Wedding

Date Completed

- _____ Mail wedding announcements
- _____ Give fees to best man for delivery after the service
- _____ Relax and enjoy.