

Timetable

12 to 6 months before the big day

- Confirm date of wedding
- Discuss how big registry office / church ceremony is to be
- Consider who should act as witnesses
- Ask intended witnesses if they are happy to do this
- Draw up guest list
- Produce budget

6 months before

- Collect together all paperwork for the registry office and register
- Check and arrange date for church ceremony
- Obtain price and menu proposals from restaurant/hotel, compare and book
- Think about table decoration
- Book musicians

5 months before

- Select wedding outfits
- Select wedding shoes
- Advise close family members of any preferred dress code
- Check nobody is missing from guest list. Who's coming to reception?

4 months before

- Book wedding car
- Have invitation cards printed. Don't forget place cards, menus, thank you cards, etc.
- Submit honeymoon holiday request and book
- Produce wedding present list
- Book photographer

3 months before

- Discuss details of church ceremony with vicar
- Agree dates with photographer
- Visit hairdresser and pencil in date for wedding
- Draw up guest list
- Send out marriage announcements and invitation cards
(for guests from out of town, include map of church and restaurant/hotel location)

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- Submit honeymoon holiday request and book honeymoon
- Produce wedding present list and circulate
- Lodge wedding list with department store – inform friends and relatives
- Check wedding dates with registry office and vicar