

# THE 90-DAY WEDDING PLANNING *Checklist*



## *10-12 Weeks To Go...*

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>ESTABLISH A BUDGET AND STICK TO IT.</b> When you don't have much time, you need to figure out what your bottom line is—fast!
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>PUT TOGETHER YOUR GUEST LIST WITH THAT BUDGET IN MIND.</b> Many guests may already have plans 3 months out, so don't stress about adding a few extra invitees.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>FIND YOUR WEDDING STYLE.</b> Picking a theme early on, or at least a color palette, can really help you nail down all of the other details.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>FIND A VENUE AND RESERVE YOUR WEDDING DATE.</b> Venues may be booked out so late in the game, so be open to looking at places you might not have originally considered.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>SEND OUT SAVE THE DATES, LIKE NOW!</b> If snail mail's too slow for your fast-approaching wedding, send out digital save the dates.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>CREATE A WEDDING WEBSITE</b> and keep it up-to-date as things fall into place.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>FIND YOUR WEDDING ATTIRE.</b> Head to a trunk show, sample sale, or even a larger box store to buy something off the rack. TIP: Plan for about 8 weeks of alteration time, if needed.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>ARE YOU HAVING A WEDDING PARTY?</b> If so, let them know and decide on their day-of attire ASAP. (Though forgoing bridesmaids or groomsmen could really help simplify plans...)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>HIRE A WEDDING PLANNER IF THINGS GET TOO OVERWHELMING.</b> They're experts at making wedding miracles happen when the clock is ticking.
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## 8-10 Weeks To Go...

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>FOCUS ON THE BIG-TICKET ITEMS YOU'VE IDENTIFIED AS PRIORITIES.</b> Cut out most of the "extras" that no one but you will notice.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>DECIDE WHAT YOU CAN REASONABLY DO YOURSELF</b> —and where you can enlist the help of others. Strategically choose DIY projects and recruit the talents of friends and family.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>ASSEMBLE YOUR VENDOR TEAM.</b> Again, stay flexible because some may be unavailable with such short notice. We'd start with: Caterer · Photographer · Officiant.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>GET YOUR HEALTH AND WELLNESS REGIMEN IN GEAR.</b> A workout routine could be a major stress-reliever during this time.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>ORDER YOUR WEDDING INVITES!</b> You'll want to give friends and family as much notice as possible to make travel arrangements.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>ARRANGE AND BOOK ANY NECESSARY DAY-OF TRANSPORTATION.</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>ARRANGE HOTEL ROOM BLOCKS</b> for out-of-town guests and book your own suite for the wedding night.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>START THINKING ABOUT YOUR HONEYMOON,</b> if you're into that. Or take a Latermoon!
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## 6-8 Weeks To Go...

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>FINALIZE VENDOR TEAM AND OTHER DAY-OF HELPERS.</b> This may include your DJ or Musicians   Florist   Cake Maker.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>REGISTER AND UPDATE YOUR WEDDING WEBSITE WITH THE REGISTRY LINK.</b> Skip the stores and save time with an online registry.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>BOOK THE REHEARSAL AND REHEARSAL DINNER LOCATION,</b> or tap a grandparent with a really big backyard. Invite your immediate family, wedding party, and Officiant.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>RESERVE ALL NECESSARY PARTY RENTALS AND LINENS,</b> including an inclement weather backup, like a tent.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>GET THOSE INVITES IN THE MAIL! PHEW.</b>
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## 4-5 Weeks To Go...

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>CHECK YOUR STATE'S REQUIREMENTS AND MAKE PLANS TO OBTAIN YOUR MARRIAGE LICENSE.</b> Some states have waiting periods of up to several days.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>PURCHASE WEDDING RINGS.</b> They don't have to be expensive, either.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>PURCHASE WEDDING FAVORS AND OTHER DAY-OF ACCESSORIES.</b> This may include your guest book, toasting flutes, cake servers, unity candle, and all that good stuff.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>IF YOU HAVE A WEDDING PARTY, GIVE THEM A NUDGE</b> —make sure they've ordered all necessary attire. (And consider purchasing gifts to give them at the rehearsal dinner.)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>START RESEARCHING NAME-CHANGE REQUIREMENTS.</b> If that's your thing, of course.
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2-3 Weeks To Go...

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>FINALIZE AND CONFIRM:</b> WEDDING VOWS AND CEREMONY READINGS WITH YOUR OFFICIANT.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>FINALIZE AND CONFIRM:</b> WEDDING MENU AND FINAL HEAD COUNT WITH YOUR VENUE AND/OR CATERER.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>FINALIZE AND CONFIRM:</b> SHOT LIST WITH YOUR PHOTOGRAPHER AND/OR VIDEOGRAPHER.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>FINALIZE AND CONFIRM:</b> SONG LIST FOR CEREMONY, COCKTAIL HOUR AND RECEPTION WITH YOUR DJ AND/OR MUSICIANS.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>FINALIZE AND CONFIRM:</b> WEDDING NIGHT AND HONEYMOON ACCOMMODATIONS.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>CREATE YOUR WEDDING-DAY TIMELINE</b> and determine who's giving the toasts.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>HAVE YOUR FINAL DRESS/SUIT FITTING.</b> Bring your shoes and accessories for the full impact.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>HUNT DOWN WHOEVER HASN'T RSVP'D YET.</b> <i>Le sigh.</i>
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## *1 Week To Go...*

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>GIVE YOUR CATERER/VENUE THE FINAL GUEST COUNT AND DAY-OF TIMELINE.</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>ARRANGE SEATING AND CREATE THE SEATING CHART AND/OR PLACE CARDS, if necessary.</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>PICK UP YOUR GOWN OR SUIT</b> if you don't already have it. Swoon.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>CONFIRM ARRIVAL TIMES AND FINALIZE THE WEDDING TIMELINE</b> with vendors and the wedding party.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>PUT TOGETHER YOUR OWN WEDDING EMERGENCY KIT.</b> You can never be too prepared!
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>PACK FOR THE WEDDING NIGHT AND YOUR HONEYMOON/MINIMOON,</b> if you're going on one!

## *Last Minute Essentials...*

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>FIGURE OUT TIPS AND FINAL PAYMENTS FOR VENDORS.</b> Put them in clearly marked envelopes and give them to someone you trust to hand out over the course of the event.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>ASSIGN SOMEONE TO PACK UP YOUR GIFTS / BELONGINGS AFTER THE RECEPTION.</b> Don't forget the top tier of your cake!
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>ASSIGN SOMEONE TO RETURN ANY RENTAL ITEMS OR TUXEDOS THE DAY AFTER THE WEDDING,</b> if needed.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>MAKE SURE ALL WEDDING-DAY ITEMS ARE PACKED/LAID OUT AND READY TO GO.</b> Don't forget the rings and marriage license!
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>TAKE DEEP BREATHS.</b> Stop to appreciate your soon-to-be spouse because the day you've been waiting for is finally here.
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