

WEDDING CALENDAR

FREDERICK AREA
Bridal Network

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12 to 24 Months Before:

- Arrange for Both Families to Meet
- Create a File for All Documentation
- Take an Engagement Photo
- Announce Your Engagement
- Set a Wedding Date
- Hire Pastor/Official to Perform Wedding Service
- Select & Book Ceremony Location
- Select & Book Musician(s)/Music for Ceremony
- Discuss Level of Formality & Number of Guests
- Establish a Budget and Agree How Expenses Will Be Shared
- Attend Bridal Shows/Expos
- Select & Book Reception Site
- Select & Book Caterer (if necessary)
- Select & Book Photographer
- Select & Book Videographer
- Select & Book Musician(s)/Disk Jockey for Reception
- Select Bridal Party
- Establish Apparel for Bride, Groom & Bridal Party
- Order Bridal Gown
- Hire Wedding Consultant (as needed)
- Hire 3 Frederick Area Bridal Network [Members](#) and receive a discount

6 to 12 Months Before

- Schedule Events
- Rehearsal Dinner
- Bachelor Party (optional)
- Bridesmaid's Party (optional)
- Reserve Limousine Service for Wedding and Bachelor(ette) Parties
- Select & Book Ceremony & Reception Materials
- Reserve Tents, Tables, Chairs, Linens
- Reserve Dishes, Glasses & Utensils (if not provided by caterer)
- Arches, etc.
- Balloons
- Additional Decorations
- Select & Book a Florist - Choose Floral Arrangements
- Select & Book Decor for Reception
- Select & Order Wedding Cake
- Finalize Mother's, Bridesmaid's & Groomsmen's Apparel
- Confirm Delivery Date of Wedding Gown
- Arrange Dancing Lessons (if necessary)
- Make Honeymoon Plans & Reservations
- Request Time Off Work (as needed)
- Reserve Bridal Suite for Wedding Night (if not included with reception location)
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3 to 6 Months Before:

- Ensure Passports, Photo Id and Other Required Documents are In Order
- Order Invitations & Thank You Notes
- Order Ceremony Programs (optional)
- Finalize Invitation List
- Begin Addressing Invitations
- Select & Book Hair Stylist and Makeup Artist
- Establish Bridal Registries (2 minimum)
- Purchase Bride's Accessories (garter, shoes, etc.)
- Purchase Ceremony & Reception Items
- Toasting Glasses
- Cake Knife, Server Set & Cake Top
- Guest Book & Pen
- Ring Pillow
- Flower Girl Basket
- Wishing Bubbles
- Wedding Bells
- Candles & Candle Holders
- Rice, Confetti, Bird Seed
- Buy Wedding Rings
- Buy Wedding Gift for Spouse
- Buy Gifts for Bridal Party
- Select First Dance Song
- Select Songs for Parent Dances
- Select Cake Cutting Song
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1 to 3 Months Before:

- Send Invitations (no less than six weeks before wedding)
- Check Marriage License Requirements
- Distribute Schedule of Events to Bridal Party
- Final Fittings & Pick-Up Dates for Dresses & Tuxedos
- Rehearsal & Rehearsal Dinner Schedule
- Wedding Day Schedule
- Hair & Makeup Appointments
- Time & Place to Meet for Ceremony
- Transportation to Reception Arrangements
- Schedule Final Fittings
- Wedding Dress
- Bridesmaid's Dresses
- Tuxedos
- Order Favors for Reception
- Arrange to Move Belongings to New Residence
- Get Marriage License
- Confirm Honeymoon Reservations
- Arrange for Transportation to Airport
- Begin Packing for Honeymoon
- Place Wedding Announcement in Local Newspaper(s)
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2 to 4 Weeks Before:

- Finalize All Vendor Arrangements
- Contact Guests That Have Not RSVP'd
- Make Seating Plans
- Create Reception Place Cards (if not provided by reception location)
- Finalize Menu with Caterer/Reception Site
- Remind Bridal Party of Schedule and Commitments
- Wrap Bridal Party Gifts
- Ensure Out-of-Town Guests Have Accommodations
- Make Arrangements of Cleaning & Storage of Gown
- Make Arrangements for Preservation of Bouquet
- Confirm Hair/Makeup/Nail Appointments
- Finalize Payment/Write Checks for Vendor Services
- Finalize Arrangements for Ceremony & Rehearsal
- Wedding Party Attire
- Wedding Party Gifts
- Wedding Rings & Pillow
- Flower Girl Basket
- Cake Knife, Toasting Glasses, etc.
- Wishing Bubbles, Rice, Confetti, etc.
- Prepare Emergency Kit (Tylenol, Gum, Mints, Makeup, Hairspray, Pins & Sewing Kit)
- Pick Up Tickets & Travelers Checks for Honeymoon