

5 TIPS FOR THE PERFECT

Wedding Timeline

Make your wedding day both memorable and stress-free.



INTRODUCTION

Planning your wedding day timeline is usually the most daunting and critical part of the planning process. Odds are, you have many moving parts to plan for throughout your day; multiple events happening and vendors to consider. And it goes without saying that you want everything to go as smoothly as possible! You've put so much time and effort into making this day wonderful and I want to help ensure that it's just as perfect as you've always hoped it would be.

As I've documented so many weddings throughout the years, I know that every wedding is unique and timelines will never be exactly the same. While I can't give you an exact breakdown of your timeline just yet (we will do that as your wedding day approaches!), I can give you a few things to consider when when mapping out your day.

ALWAYS, ALWAYS GIVE YOURSELF EXTRA TIME

I can tell you that weddings rarely ever run exactly on schedule. If there's anything that you take away from this, it should be to build a buffer into each portion of your timeline. Just 10 or 20 minutes here and there will save you a lot of stress in the long run. It's hard to enjoy your wedding day if you're rushing to get things done. So I always tell my clients that its better to have too much time than not enough!

ASK EACH OF YOUR VENDORS HOW MUCH TIME THEY NEED AND WHAT WORKS BEST FOR THEM

Every wedding professional has their own workflow and process for the wedding day. And you've hired them because they are amazingly talented! Help them do their best work for you by asking how much time they need and build it into the timeline appropriately. :)

We all want to serve you the best that we can and help make your day everything that you've dreamt of. So keeping an open line of communication will help us do our best!







CREATE A MOMENT IN THE TIMELINE FOR JUST YOU AND YOUR NEW SPOUSE

I can tell you that everything you've heard about the day going by so quickly is absolutely true. One of the most memorable days that you'll ever experience will be over before you can blink.

I know people have traveled from near and far to celebrate with you and you're excited to visit with them! But before you rush off to share cocktails with your guests, don't forget to take a few moments to yourself. Reflect on the day so far; share moments that happened leading up to the ceremony; just let all the stress fade away for a second.

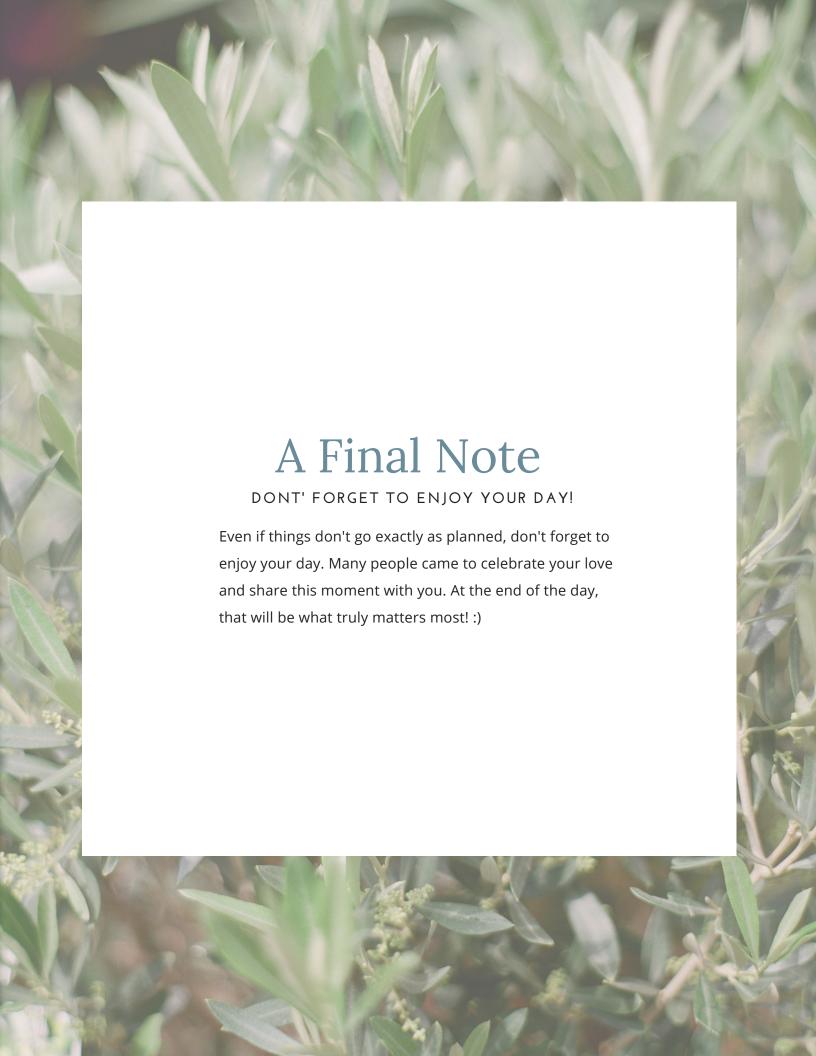


IF NEEDED, TAKE SOME PHOTOS BEFORE THE CEREMONY

If you're ceremony and reception are happening consecutively at the same location, I would recommend taking some photos beforehand. Even if you don't want to do a first look (which is totally okay with me either way!), you can still capture some family and bridal party groupings without seeing each other. This will help things go smoothly transitioning from ceremony to reception without being rushed.

LOOK UP THE SUNSET TIME FOR YOUR EXACT DATE

When you're planning your wedding during the winter, it's easy to forget that the sun sets late on those warm summer nights (remember how much you've missed those days?). This is important to consider if you're planning an outdoor ceremony or photos outside. If you're planning to take advantage of the golden hour for a few photos, pencil in some time during your reception around 1 hour before sunset. Make sure to let your DJ/coordinator know that you'll be taking a few moments!



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