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A WELCOME NOTE FROM ANDREA

so nice to meet you



I know you're here because you're getting married and you want to know all about wedding photography with me. Before we get to all those details, I wanted to take a second to introduce myself a little. I think it's important you know who I am and what I love because you're hiring me for those things too, and we will spend a lot of time together!

My little fam you see in these photos keeps my life full of laughter and craziness and I'm so glad I get to go through life with them!

I'm mama to these four wild childs, married to a Navy veteran, and officially consider myself a Nebraskan after growing up in San Diego, California my whole life. We moved to Omaha in 2014 and I have loved it ever since!

When I'm not photographing weddings, or chasing my kids around the house, you'll find me fueling my addiction to home renovation with a giant cup of coffee in my hand, watching HGTV or reruns of Schitt's Creek or New Girl. I'm a sucker for a tall glass of wine and a big ole plate of bruschetta! I only buy dresses if they have pockets (obviously), I laugh way too hard at dad jokes and I think high fives are highly underrated!

So now that you know those things, I have to say, I am so so glad you're here and interested in learning more about what I do here at Andrea Breci Photography, my other baby. I've been a wedding photographer for a long time and I still absolutely adore it! Getting to freeze time on all the precious moments throughout a wedding day is part of what makes it so great. Plus, as an Enneagram 1, aka the Perfectionist, that makes me the most perfect fit to help make sure your day and your wedding photography turn out absolutely perfect.

It means the world to me to be able to provide this service for my clients on such a special day in their lives.

As you look through this welcome packet, I hope you are able to get a sense of who I am as a photographer, and learn a little more about my style and how I run things. Feel free to contact me with any questions. I am looking forward to being your photographer, it's such an honor you would consider having me be part of you day. I know you have a lot of planning to do, and I can't wait to see how it all turns out! Cheers!

Andrea





Planning a wedding is a lot of work! There are so many details and family members and vendors to coordinate! But how to do make sure you're choosing the RIGHT companies to help make your day the very best it can be? There are a few things to take into consideration when hiring vendors for your big day. These can apply to any vendors, but we will focus on the photographers (because, hey, that's us!)

1 Make sure your photographer is a legitimate professional. Are they insured? Do they have professional equipment and lots of experience? This will help you and your Photographer feel safe and comfortable on your wedding day.

2 Really great photography can be expensive, but it's worth it! When you invest in a really great photographer, you will be investing in your memories being captured so you can relive them for many years to come! Someone who has the technical and creative ability to photograph your day in the absolute best way. We have heard many stories of brides who invited a friend to photograph their wedding for free, only to end up with dark, blurry images. We don't want that to happen to you! Although, if you're reading this, we're willing to bet you think photography is pretty important. And we really like that about you! Find a good balance between sticking to your budget and hiring a great photographer. Some photographers will offer adjustments to work with your budget. Which is why we offer custom wedding packages!

3 Be sure to choose a photographer who you really like! You'll be spending a lot of time with this person, and you'll want to enjoy hanging out with them! If your personalities clash, it won't be very fun to have them next to you all day. Before you sign the contract, meet up with them in person, or over video chat if you're not currently in the same city. We highly recommend this!

4 When searching for a photographer, choose someone who has a style that compliments your own personal style. If you're planing on hanging any photos in your home, you'll want them to match your decor! This might sound silly at first, but trust us, it's important! If you like really light, airy, open decor, then you might not want to choose a photographer who uses a lot of harsh light and contrast in their images. Or the other way around.

5 Compare the photographer to others at a similar price point or with a similar style. You don't have to commit to the very first photographer you find. It's okay to look at a lot of portfolios, meet with your favorites and then narrow it down to the one you like best and who can best meet your needs.

In the end, choose the photographer who you could easily be friends with and who you can trust to capture the full essence of your day. When you hire the very best professional for you, you will be able to rest easy knowing your wedding photos will be covered!

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tips and tricks

TO HELP YOU FEEL YOUR VERY BEST ALL DAY



1 Don't make any major changes right before the wedding. This includes a drastic haircut, a brand new spray tan or a day at the lake (hello sunburn!). Give your hair and tan a few weeks to grow out and fade, to look more natural.

2 Hair and makeup - be sure to do a trial run with your stylist and makeup artist so they know what you are looking for and will be able to re-create it on your wedding day.

3 Don't forget the mani-pedi (this applies to guys too!). You want your fingers and toes looking pretty on the big day! Remember, they will be photographed too!

4 The day of the wedding, be sure you have some food! It is easy to get excited about the day, and it is easy to overlook your meals, but they are extremely important in helping you maintain your energy for the entire day. Plus, snacking will help keep everyone from getting 'hangry'!

5 Accessories are important for both guys and girls. Belts, ties and socks bring together a groom's appearance. While headpieces, necklaces, earrings, bracelets and shoes can finish off the Bride's look. Remember to accessorize your bridesmaids and groomsmen as well.

6 Last but not least, enjoy your day! This is the day you marry your best friend, and there is no better way to spend it than celebrating with your closest friends and family. So take a deep breath, and soak it all in.



THE MUST HAVE SHOTS FOR YOUR BIG DAY



NOT SURE WHERE TO START WHEN IT COMES TO THE 'MUST HAVE' LIST? LET US HELP! BELOW IS A LIST OF THE SHOTS WE THINK YOU JUST WON'T WANT TO MISS. YOUR WEDDING MAY INCLUDE MORE OR LESS.

BRIDE AND GROOM

- Getting into dress
- Putting on jewelry
- Putting on shoes
- Pinning on boutonniere
- First look
- Groom sees Bride
- Vows
- First kiss
- First dance

BRIDAL PARTY

- Group formal
- Group casual
- Bride with groomsmen
- Groom with bridesmaids
- Groom with groomsmen
- Bride with bridesmaids
- Bride with each bridesmaid
- Groom with each groomsman

FORMAL FAMILY

- Bride with Parents
- Groom with Parents
- Bride and Groom with Parents
- Bride with grandparents
- Groom with grandparents
- Bride with siblings
- Groom with siblings
- All of Bride's family
- All of Groom's family

DETAILS

- Dress
- Shoes
- Rings
- Bouquet/Boutonniere
- Ceremony Site
- Cocktail hour
- Reception site
- Centerpieces
- Cake



the big picture

WHAT TO EXPECT WITH ANDREA BRECI



YOU'RE GETTING MARRIED! Congratulations! I know there is SO much that goes into planning a wedding, and I want to make it as easy as possible on my end, because I know choosing a photographer is a big deal. I'll be with you all day so you want to hire someone you like and want to hang out with. Here's what you can expect from me through the entire process...

BEFORE YOUR WEDDING

We will chat about all your wedding day plans and schedule your engagement session. You will be required to submit a retainer fee and a signed contract in order to reserve your date with me. Your final payment is due 30 days prior to your wedding date, and at that time we will go over all the final details, finalize your timeline and put together your shot list. I will gladly work with any other vendors who will be involved in the planning process. We are all a team working to make your day the very best!

ENGAGEMENT SESSION

This is included in almost all photography packages because I believe these photos are SO important! We will choose a location that is unique to you and your story. This is the perfect time to pop the champagne, snuggle up with your lover, and get a feel for how we will work together during your wedding day too.

PHOTOGRAPHY & EDITING STYLE

My style is mostly journalistic with a hint of direction and posing. I know there are some images that need to be more curated, while others will happen naturally. I like to keep a good mix of candid and styled. The final images in your gallery are edited in a style that reflects the ambience of the day, with a touch of light and bright. I keep most things true-to-life, while maintaining the dreamy film-like qualities I produce in camera.

AFTER YOUR WEDDING

You'll receive your full wedding gallery in about 8 weeks after your wedding day. All images will be high-resolution and ready for printing. You can order prints directly through your gallery, as well as share your images to social media and through email.

All images in this welcome guide were created by Andrea Brecci. To view more images in my portfolio, please visit www.andreabreci.com