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Welcome,

I'm so glad you are here.

If you are anything like me, you want to be sure that your wedding day is organized and will turn out exactly as you pictured it. I am a huge fan of plans and details! I love them. And, more importantly, I love to stick to them. So, why is a custom wedding day timeline so important?

1. It maps out what elements are most important to you throughout the day so your photographer doesn't miss a thing.
2. With a detailed timeline, your photographer can help keep your day running smoothly without the need to bother you or anyone in your wedding party.
3. It significantly reduces stress and anxiety.
4. Your photographer will have the time to get all the important details of your day captured.
5. A timeline can help allow for downtime and avoid rushing or panic.

One of my greatest goals for my couples, is to give them the gift of a calm, joyful, and stress free wedding day. You have worked hard to plan this memorable event. And likely have been dreaming about it for even longer!

Cheers,

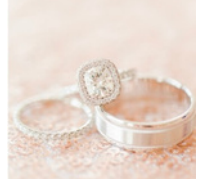
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Sample Wedding Timeline

This timeline outlines an ideal wedding day working off of a 6pm ceremony timeframe. It is also based off of a wedding day that includes a first look. Remember, all wedding days are different and your timeline may differ due to travel times, unique circumstances, and personal preferences.

Every bride loves having those beautiful shots of her bridal details. It's an important part of the story and I love having some time to shoot the dress, shoes, jewelry, invitations, etc. While I'm photographing details, I'm also capturing some shots of the bride and her girls getting ready.



Bridal details
2:30-3:15



Bridal Prep (+
groomsmen)
3:15-3:45

After all the details have been photographed, and hair + makeup are complete, it's time for the bride to get into her dress. The big moment! I usually ask the mother of the bride and all the bridesmaids to be dressed by this time. This ensures that everyone will look nice in those images. Then I will shoot some additional bridal portraits.

This is one my favorite parts of the wedding day! I will find the perfect location for my couple's First Look prior to the moment. We will be sure to find a place that is as secluded and private as possible.



First Look
4:00



Portraits
4:15-4:45

After the First Look, I will begin taking some romantic portraits of the two of them while the initial excitement is still in the air! As we shoot these portraits, the bridal party should be heading our way for Bridal Party portraits.

Bridal Party time! I allow extra time throughout the day just in case we have some unexpected things that hold us up. One way to make sure we stay on schedule for bridal party portraits is to have someone put the boutonnieres on the guys before they arrive for photos.



Bridal Party
Portraits
4:50-5:20



Bride in Hiding
5:30-6:00

After bridal party portraits are complete, the bride will usually go into hiding so that early guests don't get a peek of her before the ceremony. Then ushers can begin their duties.



Timeline Continued...

If the reception is in the same location as the ceremony, I can use the time as the guest first arrive to photograph reception decor untouched. If the reception is at a different location, I can often use the cocktail hour for this purpose.



Reception
Details
5:30-5:50

Family formals normally take place immediately following the ceremony. It's best to save all the family formals until after the ceremony because all the members will be present at one time. We'll need about 30 minutes. I send a questionnaire before the wedding where the couple can list all the groupings they will want.



Family
Portraits
6:40-7:10

The party begins! The timeline isn't as strict from this point on usually. I catch all the key events (cake cutting, toasts, dances, etc).

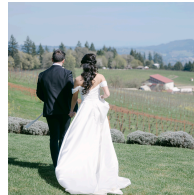


Reception!
7:30



Ceremony
6:00

Most ceremonies are about 30 minutes long. If a couple has a longer ceremony planned, we will make necessary adjustments to the timeline. Cherish this time! I will usually be very quietly moving to get the best possible views of the couple and remain as out of view as possible.



Sunset
Portraits
7:15-7:30

A few just married portraits with glowing light is something couples always love in their photo albums. Timing will vary depending on the month. It might be right after the ceremony, or the couple may need to sneak off for a few minutes during the reception. It's always worth it!



Exit
10:30

Special exit options: With shorter receptions, the timing may work out perfectly. Or you could add time to your coverage. Finally, some like to plan a faux exit with their bridal party. And they look fantastic! Then, they head back into the reception to enjoy the rest of the night.



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Wedding planning can get stressful and overwhelming. Remember to take some time for yourself, enjoy the process as a couple, and surround yourself with a fantastic team of vendors who are ready to help you. With a little extra attention to detail and a great timeline, you are a huge step closer to truly enjoying every moment of your wedding day. And that's what it should really be all about.

Happy planning!

xo, Janelle