

# HOW TO PLAN AN ELOPEMENT

That actually feels like you

A simple, stress-free guide for intentional couples

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PEAK MEMORIES



# HEY Y'ALL, I'M JENNA!

I'm an elopement photographer based in North Georgia. I help couples create wedding days that feel peaceful, intentional, and completely true to them.

If you're here, you're probably not interested in a big, traditional wedding. You're likely looking for something more meaningful, more relaxed, and more you.

This guide is here to help you simplify the planning process, avoid common mistakes, and start creating a wedding day that actually feels right.

- Jenna

# WHAT AN ELOPEMENT ACTUALLY IS

Let's clear this up first-

An elopement is not:

- “less than” a wedding
- rushed or thrown together
- just a quick ceremony

An elopement is:

- intentional
- experience-focused
- centered around what matters most to you

It can look like:

- hiking to a mountain overlook
- saying your vows by a waterfall
- sharing a slow dinner with your closest people

There are no rules. Just what feels right to you and your relationship.



STEP 1

# CHOOSE YOUR VIBE FIRST

Before you choose a location, ask yourselves:

‘What do we want this day to feel like?’

Your elopement isn't about following a template or copy someone else. It's about creating an experience.

Some couples want:

- peaceful and quiet
- adventurous and scenic
- cozy and intimate
- elegant and relaxed

Your location, timeline, and decisions should all come from this.





## STEP 2

# BUILD A TIMELINE THAT FEELS RELAXED

One of the biggest advantages of eloping is that your day doesn't have to feel rushed.

Instead of packing everything in, focus on creating space to actually experience it.

A relaxed elopement timeline might look like:

- A slow, intentional morning getting ready
- A first look in a quiet location
- Your ceremony
- Time to explore and take photos
- Something meaningful to end the day (dinner, letters, a cozy moment together)

The best timelines leave room to breathe, sit back, and truly enjoy every moment of the day.

## STEP 3

# CHOOSE A LOCATION THAT FITS YOUR DAY

Your location sets the tone for everything.

But the best location usually isn't the most popular one. It's the one that fits your vision, your priorities, and your experience.

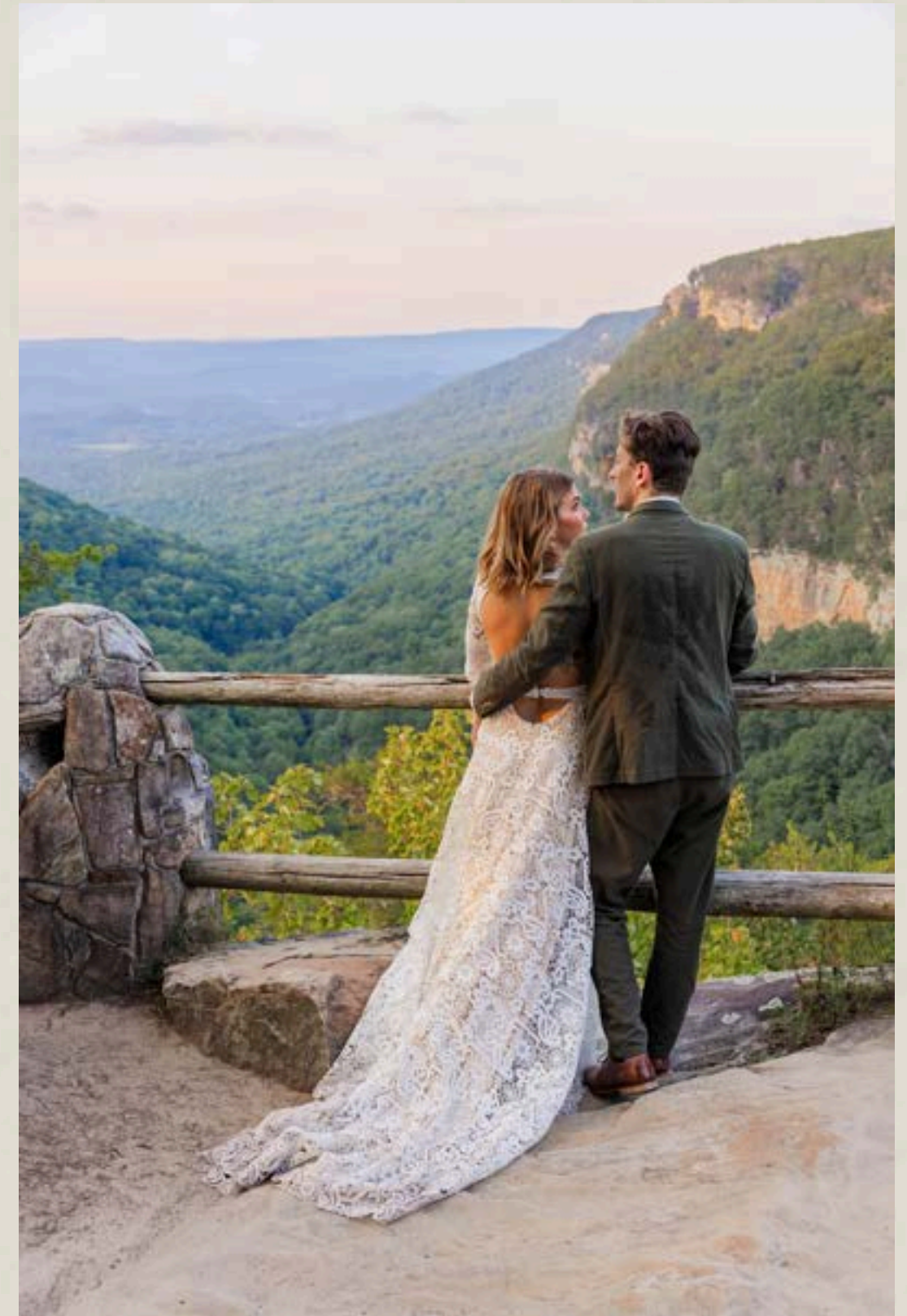
When choosing a location, think about:

- accessibility (especially if you have guests)
- privacy and crowds
- the overall vibe and scenery
- the time of year and weather

The right location makes your entire day feel easier, more natural, and more you.



# A FEW BEAUTIFUL PLACES TO CONSIDER



There are so many places throughout the world that are perfect for a peaceful, intentional elopement.

From mountain overlooks to quiet forest spots and waterfalls, there are so many options depending on what you're drawn to.

Here are a few types of locations to start thinking about:

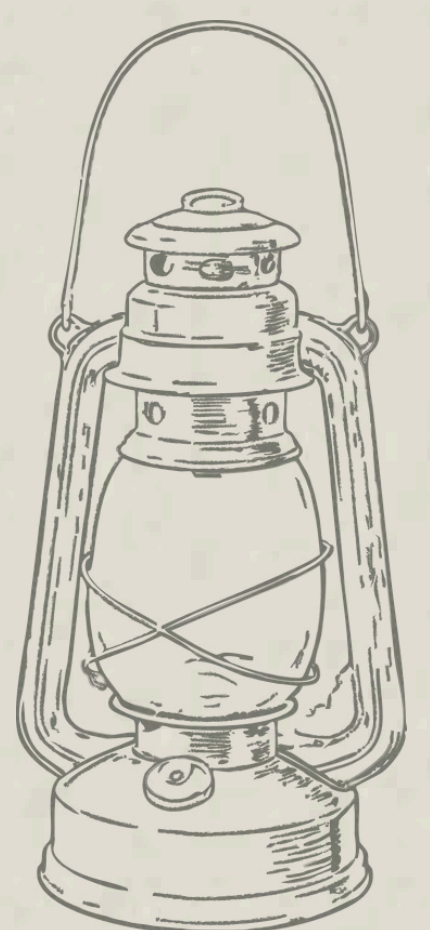
- Mountain views with open, scenic overlooks
- Waterfalls tucked into the forest
- Lakeside spots with easy access
- Private Airbnbs for a more intimate experience

# COMMON ELOPEMENT MISTAKES TO AVOID

Most couples don't realize these things until they're already in the middle of planning.

Avoiding them early will make your entire experience feel smoother, more intentional, and a lot less stressful.

- Choosing a location just because it's popular or trending
- Booking accommodations before deciding on your ceremony location
- Overpacking your timeline and rushing through the day
- Not considering accessibility for yourselves or your guests
- Trying to make your elopement feel like a traditional wedding



# WHAT TO PACK FOR YOUR ELOPEMENT DAY

A little preparation goes a long way. This is especially helpful in the mountains where weather and conditions can change quickly.

Here are a few essentials to bring with you:

- Layers (jackets, shawls, etc.)
- Comfortable shoes for walking or hiking
- Water and light snacks
- Your vow books
- Any personal or meaningful details

The goal isn't to bring everything. You want to prioritize bringing what helps you feel comfortable and present.



# WHAT ACTUALLY MATTERS

It's not about doing everything perfectly.  
It's not about timelines or getting every detail right.

**It's about how your day feels.**

**It's about being fully present  
with each other.**

**It's about creating something intentional.**

The most meaningful moments are often  
the simplest ones.

If this is the kind of experience you're dreaming of,  
you don't have to figure it out alone.

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# LET'S START PLANNING YOUR ELOPEMENT

If you're dreaming of a day that feels intentional, relaxed, and completely true to you, I'd love to help you bring it to life.

From finding the perfect location to building a timeline that actually feels good, I'll guide you through every step so your day feels easy, meaningful, and stress-free.



[Click here to start planning your elopement](#)

No pressure at all. This is just a chance to start exploring what your day could look like.