

## 8 to 18 MONTHS BEFORE WEDDING ❁

- Complete "A Starting Point" worksheet.
- Draft budget and commitment of expenses.
- Begin choosing attendants.
- Select a wedding consultant.
- Plan engagement celebration.
- First draft of guest list. Initial count: \_\_\_\_\_.
- Reserve location and time of ceremony.
- Reserve location and time of reception.
- Begin shopping for wedding gown & accessories.
- Begin shopping for bridesmaids gowns & accessories.
- Discuss parents' gowns and formal wear.

## 4 to 12 MONTHS ❁

- Draft ceremony outline.
- Draft reception outline.
- Select your wedding gown;
- Select bridesmaids' gowns;  Select mothers' gowns.
- Select ceremony officiator.
- Select caterer and/or menu selections with caterer.
- Select photographer and coverage.
- Select videographer.
- Select ceremony musicians/performers.
- Select reception musicians/performers.
- Select florist.
- Select decorations.
- Select rental service and items needed.
- Select wedding day transportation.
- Select formal wear.
- Select invitations and stationery.
- Select travel agent and possible honeymoon destinations.
- Select groom's wedding ring. Order engraving.
- Select wedding cakes.
- Select bridal registry.
- Begin searching for new house or apartment.

## 2 to 4 MONTHS ❁

- Order invitations and stationery.  
Finalize guest list: total \_\_\_\_\_.
- Coordinate rehearsal dinner with groom's parents.
- Set appointment for physical exam and blood tests.
- Schedule time with fiancé to obtain marriage license.
- Address wedding invitations.
- Select and wrap groom's and attendants' gifts.

## 1 MONTH ❁

- Mail invitations to arrive 3 - 5 weeks before wedding date.
- Prepare newspaper wedding announcement.
- Arrange final gown fittings.
- Confirm rehearsal dinner arrangements and reservations.
- Make appointment for wedding portrait.
- Arrange accommodations for out-of-town guests.
- Check luggage and proper honeymoon attire.
- Arrange for bachelorette luncheon or party.
- Send invitations for bachelorette luncheon or party.
- Schedule hairdresser and manicurist appointment.
- Don't forget to spend time with *what's-his-name*.

# Bride's Monthly Planner



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## 2 WEEKS ❁

- Record wedding gifts as received. Write thank you notes promptly.
- Confirm attendants attire and accessories.
- Review reception seating plans and prepare place cards if necessary.
- Arrange to move your belongings to new home.
- Break-in wedding shoes.
- Arrange name and address changes: bank account, credit cards, driver's license, etc.
- Arrange for someone to watch your home and answer phone on wedding day.
- Arrange for someone to mail your announcements immediately following wedding.
- Arrange for someone to handle wedding day details, arrangements and emergencies.
- Review all arrangements and checklist notes in each section.

## 1 WEEK ❁

- Host bachelorette luncheon or party.
- Bachelor party takes place.
- Confirm final arrangements with photographer, entertainers, etc.
- Final meal count to caterer: \_\_\_\_\_. Final date: \_\_\_\_\_.
- Begin packing for honeymoon.
- Double check all details and personal notes.

## 1 or 2 DAYS BEFORE ❁

- Check dress for fit, wrinkles, etc.
- Remind men to try on wedding attire when picking up (to avoid surprises).
- Complete decorating of ceremony and reception sites.
- Have hair and nails done.
- Attend ceremony rehearsal.
- Attend rehearsal dinner.
- Get as much rest and sleep as possible.

## WEDDING DAY ❁

- Eat healthy breakfast or lunch.
- Have Makeup done.
- Relax and smile as you walk down the aisle. Job well done!