

# Wedding Day Checklist

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- Bride
  - Have a breakfast early morning.
  - Visit your beauty salon for a pedicure and a manicure and any kind of facial treatment.
  - Go to the hairdresser.
  - Have your complete bridal make-up.
  - Take you veil and headpiece and the jewelry that you are going to wear with you to the salon.
  - Make sure the wedding gown is all cleaned and steamed.
  - The flowers should not arrive too early so that their freshness is retained.
  - Dress up.
  - Your bridesmaids can come over to take photos before leaving.
  - Make sure the attendants arrive well within time.
  - Make sure photographers must accompany you to the ceremony.
  - The car arrives and then all leave for the ceremony.
- Groom
  - Eat well in advance.
  - Keep at least 2 hours time for yourself for getting dressed.
  - Have the bride's ring ready and give to the best man.
  - Have officiating fee ready and stored in an envelope with the best man.
  - Have the gifts for the bridesmaids and the groomsmen ready.
- Ceremony Site
  - Car is decorated.
  - Florist decorates site.
  - Musicians arrive.
  - Groom and best man arrives (1 hour before ceremony).
  - Ushers arrive to seat guests (30 minutes before ceremony).
  - Parents seated.
  - Bride, father, and Bridesmaids arrive.
  - Prelude begins.

- Mothers are seated.
- Procession begins.
- Ceremony begins.
- Photo session begins.
- The Reception
  - Guests arrive.
  - Cocktail hour begins.
  - Bridal Party arrives.
  - First dance.
  - Dinner is served.
  - Toasts are raised.
  - Cake cutting.
  - Toss bouquet and garter.
  - Departure.