**Ultimate Wedding Checklist**

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| Decide on your concept or theme |  | **First Thing’s First** |
| Finalise your budget |  |
| Start a wedding folder or binder |  |
| Select date and arrange venue |  |
| Make arrangements with celebrant |  |
| Select your bridesmaids |  |
| Put together a guest list draft |  |
| Send out Save the Date Cards |  |
| Hire a wedding planner if desired |  |
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| Book your photographer (and videographer) |  | **9-12 months before** |
| Choose a band, DJ or other entertainment |  |
| Book your wedding transport |  |
| Meet with your caterers |  |
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| Select your wedding gown |  | **6-9 months before** |
| Select men’s kilts or formal wear |  |
| Select bridesmaid and flower girl dresses |  |
| Select groomsman formal wear |  |
| Take out wedding insurance |  |
| Order your wedding cake |  |
| Finalise guest list |  |
| Meet with celebrant |  |
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| Confirm a florist |  | **4-6 months before** |
| Confirm ceremony music |  |
| Select any shoes and accessories |  |
| Order any stationary and print materials |  |
| Order invitations |  |
| Confirm a venue decorator |  |
| Book honeymoon |  |
| Arrange a gift registry |  |
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| Send out wedding invitations |  | **2-4 months before** |
| Order favours and other gifts |  |
| Buy wedding rings |  |
| Confirm who will be giving toasts |  |
| Finalise timeline for the day |  |
| Meet with beautician and hairdresser (consider a trial run) |  |
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| Obtain marriage licence |  | **2 months before** |
| Final gown fitting |  |
| Prepare seating plans |  |
| Arrange accommodation for you and guests |  |
| Check passports and items affected by new surname |  |
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| Check dress wear for bridal party |  | **1 month before** |
| Prepare place and name cards |  |
| Prepare menu cars and programmes if desired |  |
| Change name on any accounts |  |
| Submit a newspaper wedding announcement |  |
| Record wedding gifts and write thank you letters |  |
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| Confirm arrangements with suppliers |  | **2 weeks before** |
| Confirm final numbers with venue |  |
| Collect your dress |  |
| Host hen and stag dos |  |
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| Pack cases and store safely (if needed) |  | **1 week before** |
| Double check travel documents |  |
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