

Wedding Photo Checklist

Wedding day pre-ceremony

Details

- The dress before the bride wears it
- The veil
- The bride's shoes
- The boutonniere
- The bride's and bridesmaids' bouquets
- The rings
- Something old, something new, something borrowed, and something blue
- The wedding invitations, programs, timeline, menus, signs, gifts, etc.
- The getaway car (if decorated)

Wedding Photo Shoot

Getting Ready

- The bride and bridesmaids getting ready
- Mom helping the bride with her veil or other last detail
- Bride checking herself out in a full-length mirror
- The first time the bride's parents and/or the bridesmaids see her dressed
- The groom and groomsmen getting ready
- Groom and best man
- Dad helping the groom with his tie
- Photos of the bride by herself (including the front and back of dress)
- The bride with her bridesmaids
- The groom by himself
- The groom and groomsmen

Formal family photos

- Bride with her parents and grandparents
- Groom with his parents and grandparents
- Bride and siblings
- Groom and siblings

Pre-Ceremony

- Bride and groom making their way to the ceremony
- First look
- The flower girl with the bride, with the groom, and with the bride and groom together
- Groom and ring bearer

Ceremony

- Venue shots before guests arrive
- Flowers
- Parents and grandparents entering
- Groom walking down the aisle
- Groom and groomsmen entering and waiting for bride
- Guests waiting for ceremony
- Close-up of bride just before she makes her entrance
- Bride's entrance and walking down the aisle
- Groom's reaction to bride's entrance
- Bridal party entrance
- Flower girl and/or ring bearer entering
- Bride and groom at the altar or the chuppah (if it's a Jewish wedding)
- Giving the bride away
- Exchanging of vows
- Exchanging of the rings
- Close-up of the rings
- The first kiss
- Signing the marriage certificate / wedding license
- The married couple outdoors after leaving the ceremony
- The wedding party outdoors after leaving the ceremony
- Close-up of the newlyweds immediately after the ceremony
- Bride and groom hugging family and friends
- Bride showing off her wedding ring to her bridesmaids
- Bride and groom leaving the ceremony site

Reception

Details:

- Decor shots (including table settings, place cards, menu cards, centerpieces, etc.)
- Wedding cake (before it's cut)
- Wedding favors
- Champagne glasses
- Favors table

At the Reception:

- Hors d'oeuvres and specialty drinks
- Guests arriving and signing the guest book
- Grand entrance
- The wedding party walking in
- Toasts and speeches
- Cake cutting
- The first dance
- The bridal party dance
- The father-daughter dance
- The mother-son dance
- Guests dancing
- Parents and grandparents dancing
- Wedding party dancing
- Musicians, singers, DJ
- Bride and groom sipping Champagne
- Bride and groom mingling with guests
- Retrieving and tossing the garter
- The bouquet toss
- Kids playing or dancing
- Musicians or DJ
- Bride and groom feeding each other cake
- Main Course
- Dessert table
- Newlyweds' vehicle
- Grand exit

Group Portraits

- Couple with bridesmaids/groomsmen
- Couple with the entire wedding party
- Bride with bridesmaids/maid of honor
- Groom and groomsmen/best man
- Bride with groomsmen
- Groom with bridesmaids
- Couple with both sets of parents and with each parent
- Couple with each set of parents and with each parent
- Couple with siblings
- Couple with close family members
- Bride and groom with the flower girl and ring bearer
- Bride and groom with the entire wedding party