
9–6
MONTHS
BEFORE YOUR
WEDDING
CHECKLIST
Wedding Plans
Venue
Catering
Photography
Flowers
Dress
Entertainment
Guest List
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Final Details

9–6 Months Before Your Wedding Checklist

With your wedding date and venue arrangements taking shape.

The next stage is about securing important suppliers, organising your outfits and making decisions that will affect the rest of your wedding plans.

During these months, focus on arrangements that require advance booking or preparation.

Some suppliers may need to be booked earlier, especially for popular dates, so adjust this checklist to suit your circumstances.

Wedding Date: _____

Today's Date: _____

Months Until Wedding: _____

9–8 Months Before Your Wedding

Wedding Suppliers and Bookings

- ○ Confirm your ceremony and reception venue bookings.
- ○ Book your wedding photographer.
- ○ Book a videographer if required.
- ○ Confirm your catering arrangements.
- ○ Research and book your preferred florist.
- ○ Research entertainment options, including DJs and live music.
- ○ Book any entertainment that is important to your celebration.
- ○ Research wedding transport options if needed.
- ○ Consider booking a wedding coordinator if required.
- ○ Save copies of all signed supplier agreements.
- ○ Record deposit payments and outstanding balances.
- ○ Check cancellation policies and important booking conditions.

Wedding Outfits and Accessories

- ○ Begin shopping for your wedding dress, suit or other wedding outfit.
- ○ Research bridal boutiques, tailors or outfit suppliers.
- ○ Arrange appointments for outfit fittings.
- ○ Check ordering and delivery times for your chosen clothing.
- ○ Confirm whether alterations are included in the purchase price.
- ○ Research bridesmaid, grooms-men or wedding-party outfits if applicable.
- ○ Set a budget for shoes, jewellery and accessories.
- ○ Consider outfits for children participating in the ceremony.

Guest List and Invitations

- ○ Review your preliminary wedding guest list.
- ○ Confirm the maximum number of guests your venue can accommodate.
- ○ Check your estimated catering cost against guest numbers.
- ○ Collect guest names and contact details.
- ○ Decide whether to send save-the-date cards.
- ○ Send save-the-dates if appropriate for your wedding.
- ○ Research invitation designs and printing options.
- ○ Consider whether you need a wedding website for guest information.

7–6 Months Before Your Wedding

Ceremony Planning

- ○ Confirm your ceremony arrangements with the relevant venue or officiant.
- ○ Check the legal requirements and notice periods applicable to your wedding location.
- ○ Discuss the structure of your wedding ceremony.
- ○ Consider readings, music and personal vows where permitted.
- ○ Decide who will participate in the ceremony.
- ○ Research wedding rings and allow time for ordering or resizing.
- ○ Discuss any cultural, religious or family traditions you wish to include.
- ○ Check whether your ceremony venue has restrictions on decorations or photography.

Reception and Wedding Details

- ○ Discuss your preferred reception layout with the venue.
- ○ Review catering menus and available meal options.
- ○ Arrange a menu tasting if offered.
- ○ Research your wedding cake or alternative dessert arrangements.
- ○ Confirm your preferred floral arrangements.
- ○ Consider table decorations and centrepieces.
- ○ Research lighting, signage and other reception decorations.
- ○ Check whether additional furniture or equipment is required.
- ○ Confirm any restrictions on outside suppliers.
- ○ Begin planning accommodation for yourselves or guests if needed.

Hair, Makeup and Personal Preparation

- ○ Research wedding hair stylists.
- ○ Research makeup artists if required.
- ○ Book your preferred hair and makeup suppliers.
- ○ Ask whether trial appointments are included.
- ○ Schedule trials at suitable times before the wedding.
- ○ Consider any personal grooming appointments you wish to arrange.
- ○ Confirm travel charges and preparation-day timings.

Budget and Payment Review

As bookings increase, take time to review your financial commitments.

- ○ Update your wedding budget with confirmed supplier prices.
- ○ Record every deposit paid so far.
- ○ Check upcoming payment deadlines.
- ○ Review additional supplier fees and optional extras.
- ○ Recalculate catering estimates if guest numbers have changed.
- ○ Check how much money remains available for unbooked services.
- ○ Review your contingency fund.
- ○ Remove or reduce optional expenses if your estimated costs exceed your budget.

Supplier Booking Tracker

Use this section to record your most important confirmed arrangements.

Supplier	Booked	Deposit Paid	Balance Due
Photographer	☐	£_____	£_____
Videographer	☐	£_____	£_____
Caterer	☐	£_____	£_____
Florist	☐	£_____	£_____
Entertainment	☐	£_____	£_____
Transport	☐	£_____	£_____
Hair and makeup	☐	£_____	£_____

Next Supplier Payment Date: _____

Amount Due: £_____

Supplier Name: _____

Important Appointments and Deadlines

Appointment 1: _____

Date: _____

Appointment 2: _____

Date: _____

Appointment 3: _____

Date: _____

Next Booking Deadline: _____

Your Three Main Priorities

Choose three unfinished tasks that need attention before your next planning review.

Priority 1: _____

Priority 2: _____

Priority 3: _____

Additional Notes

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Before Moving to the Next Checklist

By the end of this stage, aim to have your main wedding suppliers booked, your outfits organised or ordered, and your guest list taking a more definite shape.

You should also have a clearer picture of your confirmed costs and upcoming payment deadlines.

Not every detail needs to be finalised yet. Focus on securing important arrangements while leaving yourself enough flexibility for smaller decisions.

Next: The 6–3 Months Before Your Wedding Checklist, where you will focus on invitations, guest responses, supplier details and preparing the arrangements that bring your wedding day together.