

desenolabplanner

six or months ahead

- >begin to think about the type of wedding you want
- >set the wedding budget
- >if needed, seek and hire the wedding coordinator
- >begin to compile the guest list and begin to organize the addresses
- >finalize the wedding date and reserve the ceremony and reception locations and book a room for the wedding night
- >book the officiant, the florist, the photographer/videographer
- >begin to search for the wedding dress at boutiques, as well as the shoes and the veil
- >if you are using save-the-date cards, now is a good time to send them
- >order the wedding cake unless the reception caterer is doing so
- >begin to think about the honeymoon:plan and book it

four to six months ahead

- >if necessary, reserve any necessary rental equipment:tables
linens, tents, media equipment
- >arrange the wedding transportation
- >set an appointment with invitation boutique
- >start registering for gifts: target, crate and barrel to mention a few
- >compile the research for wedding rings and purchase them
- >purchase or reserve the groom's attire: groomsmen should also purchase or reserve their attire
- >choose favors and gifts for the wedding party

two to four months ahead

- >review the details of the menu and wedding cake with the caterer
- >talk to the officiant about the service
- >choose readings for the ceremony
- >mail the invitations, begin with the out of state attendants and then in state attendants
- >reserve the rehearsal location, dinner, and time
- >start trying out make-up and hairstyles

one to two months ahead

- >consult with the invitation boutique for the ceremony programs
- >go to the post office with the change of address info
- >obtain the marriage license, certified copies, and any blood tests

two weeks ahead

- >final dress fitting for the bride and the bridal party
- >start to arrange the seating chart and write the place cards
- >notify the caterer of the guest count
- >write and practice toasts for the rehearsal dinner and wedding reception

one week ahead

- >finalize the seating arrangement
- >confirm details with the caterer and give final guest count
- >confirm honeymoon trip and details
- >don't forget to pack for the honeymoon and the wedding night
- >confirm the rehearsal dinner

one day ahead

- >confirm the transportation for the ceremony and reception
- >spa day with the bridesmaids
- >rehearse the ceremony
- >go to the rehearsal dinner and pass out gifts

the wedding day

- relax, take a deep breath and enjoy yourself!!!