

Metzgar Mobile Music Wedding Checklist

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9-12 months before

Select a date.

Agree on a budget with your family and partner.

Book the church or venue.

Decide if you're going to use a wedding coordinator.

8 months before

Check the legal requirements for your wedding and any documents that will be required such as birth certificate etc.

Compile your guest list, consulting both families.

Choose your best man, maid of honor, bridesmaids, and ushers.

Book reception venue and then confirm in writing.

7 months before

Consider taking out wedding insurance before paying any deposits etc.

Decide on the type of catering you want. Start looking at reception menus and book the caterers.

Order the cake. The final design and colors can be decided on later.

Select and book your photographer and video company.

Book the honeymoon particularly if traveling in peak season.

Meet with, and decide on the DJ you want for your ceremony and reception. Be sure to check if they have the proper licenses and insurance.

Book transportation to and from the ceremony and reception for the bridal party.

Start thinking about your wedding dress. Cut out any magazine pictures that appeal to you and decide if you want a designer gown, one that is custom made or “off the rack”.

6 months before

Meet and confirm arrangements with the minister. Discuss the service, any readings and your choice of music.

Make sure all bridal attire is ordered and fittings booked.

Choose outfits for the groom, bridesmaids, best man, and ushers.

Have both mothers coordinate and select their outfits.

Choose and order your wedding rings.

Order your wedding stationery and invitations

5 months before

Decide on the type of flowers you want, the number and type of arrangements required, such as bouquets, boutonnieres, centerpieces, and ceremony displays etc.

Visit florists for quotes and to discuss your requirements. Book your preferred florist.

Book your wedding night hotel.

4 months before

Go shopping and compile your gift list.

Finalize wedding cake design and colors.

Start experimenting with your hair and make-up.

The bride needs to apply for her passport if she wishes to travel under her married name.

Arrange for any necessary visas to be issued.

3 months before

Send out your invitations and have your gift list ready for those who ask for it. Think about sending an information pack to those guests who are coming.

Choose your going away outfits.

Consult your doctor about any vaccinations needed for your honeymoon.

Choose and visit your hairdresser to discuss styling and to book final appointment. Don't forget to take along the wedding headdress if your wearing one. Confirm whether you will be going to the salon, having stylists come to your home, or the venue. Arrange for a trial run for your make-up.

2 months before

Best man and maid of honor to organize bachelor and bachelorette parties.

Make sure that guests have somewhere to stay and book rooms.

Send out an information pack containing maps and directions to your venues, local accommodation information, etc.

1 month before

Have a final fitting for bridal and bridesmaid's dresses.

Finalize guest list.

Work out the reception seating plan and write out the place cards.

Send final number of guests to the caterer and the reception venue.

Prepare speeches and start practicing!

Check that the wedding clothes will be ready on time (they need to be ready at least one week before the wedding)

Finalize all the transport details and check the drive time to the church.

Make sure you have bought all of your accessories and shoes.

Notify banks, utility companies etc if bride is planning to change her name.

1 to 2 weeks before

Final rehearsal at the venue for the ceremony.

Check on wedding dresses and suits. Try them on to make sure they all still fit!

Touch bases with your DJ, florist, caterer, etc.

Wear in any shoes that are new.

Make sure place cards and thank-you cards have been delivered.

Do your final check on the honeymoon arrangements.

Enjoy your bachelor and bachelorette parties!

Put together a list of telephone numbers in case of an on-the-day emergency. It should include all the suppliers that will be attending or delivering items on your wedding day.

On the day

Prepare yourself in plenty of time so you don't feel rushed.

Have a relaxing bath.

Make sure you eat breakfast and that you are well hydrated. It's going to be a long day.

If you are going to a salon to have your hair done, don't forget to bring along your headdress, veil or flowers.

RELAX AND ENJOY YOURSELVES!!!