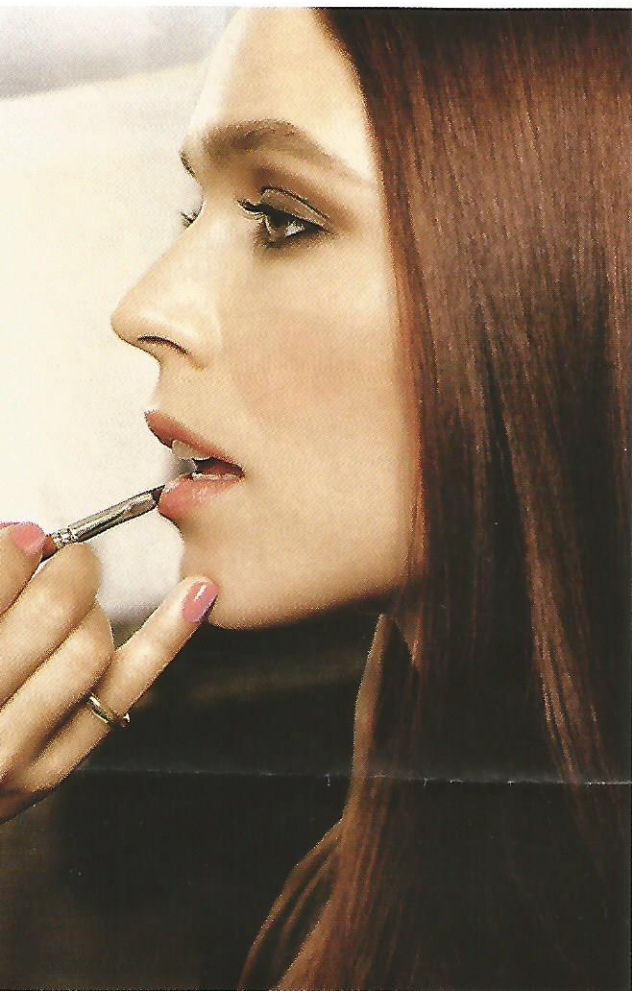


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YOUR WEDDING TO-DO'S—AND WHEN TO DO THEM



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8 months before

- Hire the caterer, florist, band/DJ, ceremony musicians, and photographer and reserve rentals.
- Order your wedding dress if it's custom.
- Block hotel rooms for out-of-town guests.
- Register.

6 months before

- Shop for wedding bands.
- Order invitations.
- Send save-the-dates.
- Discuss details with vendors.
- Secure any wedding-day transportation for guests.
- Order bridesmaids' dresses.
- Book the honeymoon.

4 months before

- Order your cake.
- Hire a calligrapher.
- Plan the rehearsal dinner.
- Choose the groom's and groomsmen's attire.

2 months before

- **Do your hair-and-make-up trial.**
- Buy your wedding dress if it's off-the-rack.
- Write vows.
- Finalize the ceremony with the officiant.
- Mail invitations.

6 weeks before

- Confirm delivery of bridesmaids' dresses.
- Apply for a marriage license.
- Print the programs, menus, et cetera.

2 weeks before

- Final dress fitting (!).
- Submit a shot list to the photographer.
- Send playlists to the DJ or band.
- Get your marriage license.
- Contact guests who missed the RSVP deadline.

1 week before

- Provide a final head count to the site and caterer.
- Finalize the seating chart.

48 hours before

- Pick up your dress.
- Prepare all checks due the day of.
- Give vendor tips to the MOH or best man to distribute.

Day before

- Reconfirm pickup times.
- Do last-minute primping.
- Rehearse the ceremony and go to dinner.
- Give gifts to the bridal party and parents.

Day of

- Give rings to the best man and maid of honor.
- Beautify.
- Get married. Enjoy!

12 months before

- Write up the guest list.
- Have the money convo and set the wedding budget.
- Hire a wedding planner if you're using one.
- Book the ceremony site and reception venue.

10 months before

- Choose your officiant.
- Go dress shopping.
- Meet with potential vendors.
- Select the bridal party.
- Hire the stationer if you're going custom.

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