

Wedding planning checklist

You're engaged! What next?

Engaged - 15 months before the wedding

- ☐ Determine your Budget
- ☐ Write a guest list
- ☐ Open a new email account for wedding details only (so you don't get flooded with wedding spam)
- ☐ Open a Pinterest account and start pinning ideas.
- ☐ Choose a theme and/or colours
- ☐ Find a ceremony and reception site and book these at the same time so that the dates coincide.

Congratulations you have picked your Wedding date! Now to book the major vendors

15 – 12 months before the wedding

- ☐ Choose and ask your wedding party. Its no fun planning a wedding without your squad
- ☐ Book photographer and have your engagement photo shoot
- ☐ Book videographer
- ☐ Book caterer if needed
- ☐ Book officiant and MC
- ☐ Book DJ
- ☐ Book florist/stylist
- ☐ Book your hair and makeup artists P.T.O. for details
- ☐ Book transportation (don't forget your end of night Transportation)
- ☐ Start to research wedding dresses
- ☐ Order and send out Save the Dates (great time to show off your engagement photos)
- ☐ Start diet & exercise routine now to relieve stress and keep skin glowing
- ☐ Start to research your honeymoon
- ☐ Look at wedding rings

Woohoo major vendors are booked in now the fun begins.

12 - 9 months before the wedding

- ☐ Order your dress, veil, headpiece and shoes
- ☐ Register your wedding gifts (this can also be used for your bridal shower)
- ☐ Book your hair and makeup trials
- ☐ Shop for bridesmaid's attire
- ☐ Book your cake
- ☐ Book Musicians/entertainment/photobooth
- ☐ Start to look at wedding invitations and stationery

You're doing well

9 – 6 months before the wedding

- ☐ Finalise wedding rings
- ☐ Finalise and book Honeymoon
- ☐ Order your wedding stationary include:
 - ☐ Invitations
 - ☐ Envelopes, seals and stamps
 - ☐ Response cards
 - ☐ Direction cards
- ☐ Order ceremony accessories:
 - ☐ Unity Candles or sand ceremony set
 - ☐ Ring bearer pillow
 - ☐ Flower girl basket
 - ☐ Pew decorations
 - ☐ Aisle runner
- ☐ Order reception accessories:
 - ☐ Guestbook
 - ☐ Guest Favors
 - ☐ Cake topper
 - ☐ Cake Serving set
 - ☐ Toasting flutes
 - ☐ Wishing well/card box
 - ☐ Centerpieces, table and chair covers
 - ☐ Other props

Almost there

6 – 3 months before the wedding

- ☐ Shop for Groom and groomsmen's suits
- ☐ Organise/Attend bridal shower
- ☐ Choose and ask readers and ushers for your ceremony
- ☐ Order wedding programs
- ☐ Meet with officiant and MC to discuss expectations
- ☐ Choose Music for the following
 - ☐ Walking down the aisle
 - ☐ Signing the register
 - ☐ Leaving the ceremony/church
 - ☐ Entrance to the reception
 - ☐ Speeches
 - ☐ Cutting of the cake
 - ☐ First dance and the next 3 songs after
 - ☐ Bouquet and garter toss
 - ☐ Goodbye and exit the reception

Not Long now

3 - 2 months before the wedding

- ☐ Send out Invitations use wedding list to keep track of your RSVP's
- ☐ Attend/organise hens/bucks night
- ☐ Finalise the following details
 - ☐ Caterer/ Cake maker
 - ☐ Florist/stylist- Bouquets, button holes, ceremony and reception.
 - ☐ DJ/Musicians/MC
 - ☐ Photographer/Videographer
 - ☐ Hair and Makeup artist Schedule
 - ☐ Transportation Schedule
- ☐ Order bridal and wedding party Accessories
 - ☐ Jewelry, Bags, Shoes
 - ☐ Cufflinks, Ties
 - ☐ Robes/Undergarments
- ☐ Purchase Gifts for the:
 - ☐ Bridal party
 - ☐ Parents of the Bride and Groom

The Big Day is around the corner

1 month before the wedding

- ☐ Determine seating arrangements and Finalise numbers and place cards
- ☐ Final fittings for entire bridal party
- ☐ Contact vendors to check they have everything
- ☐ Write wedding vows and speeches
- ☐ Confirm Duties with
 - ☐ Ushers, readers
 - ☐ Bartenders
 - ☐ Decorators
- ☐ Meet with DJ/MC to discuss song list and name pronunciations, etc.
- ☐ Organise rehearsal dinner
- ☐ Get plenty of rest and stay hydrated

The end is near 2 weeks to go

- ☐ Complete seating arrangements, Finalise numbers and place cards.
- ☐ Send the vendors list and day run sheet to Bridal party and all vendors
- ☐ Make final payments to vendors

Get ready to Party 1 week to go

- ☐ Get your colour done 1 week before, massages, manicures and pedicures
- ☐ Pack for Wedding night/honeymoon
- ☐ Make a Wedding day kit emergency kit

Breath, relax and enjoy your big day and don't forget to eat cake!!

Congratulations to the Mr and Mrs what now??

- ☐ Get gown/suit dry cleaned
- ☐ Send out thank you cards
- ☐ Organise Legal documents
 - ☐ Official marriage certificate
 - ☐ Change of name
 - ☐ Bank accounts

Live happily ever after!!

About Style with a Twist

Meet Suzanah from Style with a Twist- Bridal Hairstylist



Suzanah director of Style with a Twist has over 25 year's experience in the hair and beauty industry. Suzanah is a mobile hair stylist in Sydney who specialises in Bridal, Wedding and Formal Hair

Awards

- #1 WINNER in the 2019 Brides Choice Awards
- Highly commended in the 2018, 2020 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025 Wedding Industry Awards
- 4th in NSW 2018 and Finalist in 2019-2023 ABIA

Best Bridal Hairstylist

"How do I prepare my hair for the day?"

You will need to shampoo your hair the night before with a salon professional non-silicon-based shampoo. Using the incorrect shampoo can make the hair slippery and heavy. Shampoo your hair twice and then only add conditioner to the ends of the hair. Blow-dry the hair as smooth as possible (please do NOT use a straightener) and avoid using any products as this can make the hair heavy and hard to hold into place. On the day wear a button up shirt or a silk/satin robe that way you can easily get your formal attire on without disturbing the hair style.

"What you can expect"

Suzanah comes with a fully equipped Stylist kit including a ring light. Only professional & high-end products are used, catering for all hair types. Brands include: GHD, H2D, Kerastase, L'Oréal, Kevin Murphy, KYK Hair Care and White sands

Bridal Review

"I was fortunate enough to have Suzanah work her magic on my hair for my entire wedding journey. From my Engagement, to my Kitchen Tea, Hens Night, Pre-wedding party and of course on the Wedding Day! Suzanah was never short of ideas and I was able to trust her with everything. She's creative, professional, honest and patient which are often qualities that are very hard to find in a hairdresser these days. I cannot thank her enough for making everything such a breeze and for giving me one less thing to worry about :) Thank you Suzanah!"



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