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The Perfect Wedding Day Timeline

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Hello and welcome

Your wedding timeline will influence so many details about your wedding day especially the photography. To guide you in this important planning process we are offering you an in depth look at two different timelines: a first look and traditional.

Of course, each wedding will have unique needs and variations but these timelines will fit most weddings. If we need to adjust your timeline we will work with you, your wedding planner or venue coordinator to agree on a perfect timeline for you.

All the best,

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Select a timeline that fits you



WHAT'S A FIRST LOOK

A first look is a special moment reserved just for the bride and groom before all the guests arrive. Instead of seeing each other down the aisle, you will get to meet up with your future spouse for a secret "first look."

Of course, we are there discreetly to capture that beautiful moment and loving embrace of seeing each-other for the first time. If you have us for videography, we will capture those first sweet words spoken.

IS A FIRST LOOK RIGHT FOR YOUR WEDDING DAY?

A "First Look" timeline allows us to take your wedding portraits before your guests arrive. This means your guests won't have to wait for you - you will be ready to party shortly after your ceremony ends. Most brides and grooms love the flexibility of the "First Look" timeline.





HOW TO SELECT THE RIGHT TIMELINE

The best fit for you depends on your venue setup, your personal preferences, and your big dreams.

We are ready to accommodate your needs into a personalized timeline that fits you.

If you're not sure what timeline would best fit your wedding, then just ask. We would be delighted to talk you through all the options.

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE TIMELINE

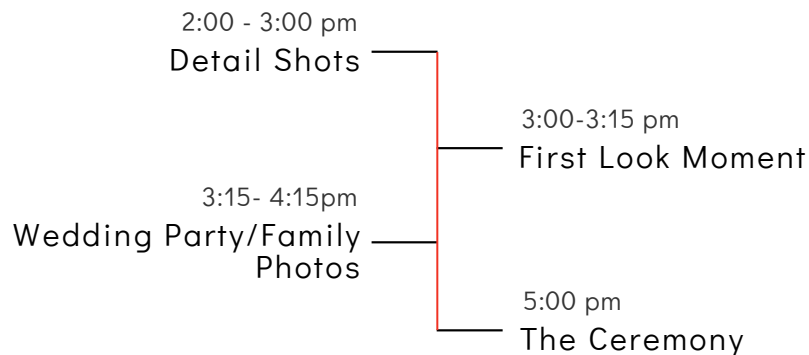
Most weddings follow a general timeline of events but of course, each bride and groom is unique so there will be adjustments to the timeline you select.

Based on your venue and other factors we will customize the timeline to fit you perfectly.



The First Look Timeline

These timelines are based on a 5 pm ceremony start time. Based on your venue and personal preferences we can adjust this timeline to fit your ceremony start time. Use this timeline as a guide to see how much time each event requires on average.



Aisle Look Timeline



BRIDAL DETAILS

Your wedding day will begin with the small details. While you are getting ready we will capture those small, elegant details of your dress, shoes, jewelry, invitations, etc.

After we capture your intimate and sentimental items, you may want us to come capture some getting ready photos of the bridal party getting ready.

If you have opted for a video package we will capture a video clip of you reading your vows at this time. We highly recommend reading a letter or vows for your video for personalization. The more we get that is uniquely you -- the more you will cherish your video and photos. Don't be nervous, we are here to help you.



THE FIRST LOOK

The first look is a special intimate moment reserved just for the bride and groom. We will find a quiet space and capture you seeing each other for the very first time. This is a sweet moment, reserved to take a deep breath before your whole life is about to change. This is a moment you will cherish for a lifetime.



BRIDE & GROOM PORTRAITS

After you've had a few moments to connect and love on each other we will take some romantic bride and groom portraits.

Most often, these are our couples' favorite images from the wedding day.

BRIDAL PARTY/FAMILY PORTRAITS

After wrapping up the bride and groom portraits we will gather the bridal party for group and individual shots. We will capture the bride with her girls, the groom with his guys and then come all together for a set of fun bridal party pictures. Taking family photos too will help with time.

Tips from the pros:

- Everyone should be dressed and have their florals in possession (either bouquet for the girls and boutonniere for the guys)
- Communicate the meeting spot & time to your bridal party so everyone knows where and when to meet up
- Try holding off excessive drinking until after the bridal party images. It will make this process go smoother for everyone



RECEPTION DETAILS



At this time the bridal party will go into hiding until the ceremony begins. We will use this time to capture detail shots of your venue.

Tip from the pros:

- If your ceremony and reception are at different locations, then consider including a cocktail hour so we can get those untouched details of the reception areas.
- Don't allow your guests into the reception area before it begins, it's more special when everyone see the reception location for the first time together
- During this down time try to relax, eat a snack and use the bathroom before all the big events begin



CEREMONY

It's ceremony time! Most weddings we photograph are between 30-35 minutes.

Tips from the pros:

- Consider having an "unplugged" wedding meaning no phones allowed - having people jump in front of us makes for a missed opportunity and the back of someone's head
- Ask your officiant to move to the side during the first kiss



FAMILY PORTRAITS

Immediately after the ceremony we will capture all the family portraits. These photos will be captured in the ceremony area.

Tips from the pros:

- Ask your officiant to remind immediate family members to hang back and not to proceed to the cocktail hour
- We will send you a questionnaire to gather your shot list. This will tell us about any special family relationships or circumstances to be aware of
- If we can do any of these prior to the wedding, it will help with time
- Have someone assigned to help us with grouping for photos. We do not know your family so having someone to help the process will make things go smoother





JUST MARRIED PHOTOS

Once all the portraits are complete we will begin the wedding reception. We will capture your bridal party entering the venue and those first special moments.

Tips from the pros:

- Ask your bridal party to think of a fun entrance dance
- Ask the bridal party to pause on the dance floor to capture one grand group shot

GRAND EXIT

Many couples use faux grand exit for their last photos. This is when we gather your guests together to celebrate a magical kiss with sparklers, lights or other props. The reasons behind the "faux" exit is to get more people in your exit photos before guests start to sneak off (like grandparents, etc.) and the bridal couple still look refreshed and glowing instead of that "I've just partied my heart out" look.

Tips from the pros:

- Use your wedding planner to communicate the plan with your guests
- Have all the props ready for immediate use



A full-page background image of a bride and groom in a romantic embrace. The bride is on the left, wearing a white lace wedding dress and a long veil, holding a bouquet of white roses. The groom is on the right, wearing a light grey suit with a patterned tie and a boutonniere. They are standing outdoors with trees in the background, and the scene is bathed in warm, golden light from the setting or rising sun.

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THANK YOU KINDLY

Please get in touch with any questions about your wedding day
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