

Wedding Photography Shot List

GETTING READY

Bride and bridal party getting hair and makeup done

Details and accessories

Stationery suite

Wedding rings & jewellery

Perfume

Shoes

Wedding dress (close-up & hanging)

Bridesmaid dresses

Bridal bouquet

Bridesmaid bouquets

Bride putting on dress (helped by MOH/MOB)

Bride putting on shoes and jewellery

Bridesmaids reacting to bride in her dress

Father of the bride first look/reaction

Bridesmaids together

Bride and bridesmaids together

Bride and parents

Bride alone

Bridal party leaving the house

Bride in wedding car

Groom wedding details

Shoes

Tie & cufflinks

Boutonnieres

Cologne

Groom suit

Groomsmen suits

Groom and groomsmen getting ready

Mother of the groom attaching boutonniere

Groomsmen together

Groom and groomsmen together

Groom with parents

Groom alone

First look (optional)

CEREMONY

Ceremony venue

Exterior

Interior (before guests arrive)

Flower arrangements

Arbour and furniture

Signage

Groom and groomsmen arriving

Guests arriving

Groom and groomsmen waiting at altar

Parents seated

Grandparents seated

Bride and bridal party arriving in wedding car

Bride stepping out of car

Bridal party entrance

Bride walking down the aisle

Groom reaction

Couple standing at altar

Wide shot

Close-ups

Exchanging of vows

Exchanging of rings

Other ceremony participants

Flower girls/page boys

Musician

Guest readings

First kiss

Guest reactions

Signing of the register

Recessional/walking back down the aisle

Confetti/rice throwing

POST-CEREMONY

Candid photos of newlyweds with guests
Greeting/embracing guests after ceremony
Guests mixing and mingling

Family photos
Newlyweds together
Bride with parents
Bride with immediate family
Groom with parents
Groom with immediate family
Newlyweds with bride's family
Newlyweds with groom's family
Newlyweds with bride's parents
Newlyweds with groom's parents
Newlyweds with both sets of parents

Other significant groups of family/friends
Group photo (all guests)
Portraits of bride/groom individually
Portraits of bride/groom together
Bride with bridesmaids
Groom with groomsmen
Bride with groomsmen
Groom with bridesmaids
Wedding party together

WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHY TIPS

- *Scout your photo locations in advance.*
- *Try to time your portraits just before sunset for the best natural light and a beautiful golden glow.*
- *Request an unplugged ceremony. Asking guests to keep their phones off will help your photographer capture all of the important moments without distraction.*
- *Choose a photographer you feel relaxed around. When you feel comfortable, you'll look more natural on camera, too.*
- *Don't be afraid to communicate your must-have moments before the day.*
- *Trust your photographer! These guys are seasoned professionals and will happily guide you through the process with their own knowledge and suggestions, too.*

RECEPTION

Venue exterior
Venue interior (without guests)
Styling details
Centrepieces
Floral arrangements
Stationery
Signage
Place settings
Guest favours
Wedding cake
Bridal table
Bridal party entrance
Newlyweds entrance
Toasts and speeches
Plated meals
Signature drinks/cocktails
Newlyweds sitting at bridal table
Newlyweds mingling with guests
Guests mingling with each other
First dance
Father daughter dance
Mother son dance
Musician/entertainment performing
Guests dancing
Newlyweds dancing with guests
Cake cutting
Bouquet toss
Newlyweds leaving the reception
Sparkler exit
Getaway car

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- [The 8 Best Planning Tools for Modern Couples](#)
- [The Ultimate List of Wedding Songs](#)
- [How to Write a Great Wedding Speech](#)
- [Packing List for Your Wedding Day](#)
- [Wedding Website Templates](#)
- [Questions to Ask Before Hiring a Photographer](#)