

## Why Hire a Wedding Planner?

Choosing to have a professional on-hand is really a key way to make sure that on your own wedding day, you're basking in newlywed bliss - not trying to find an expansion cord to help an ill-prepared DJ! A planner will give your event a professional edge, ensuring a smooth sense of continuity between most of the facets of your wedding. A good planner works with you to produce a timeline, a budget, and all of those other details. He or she is likewise able to provide you with etiquette advice, style suggestions, and great resources. Being in the marriage industry means developing relationships with cake designers, venues, bands, and shops - which means that your wedding planner can become a great resource for you!

## Finding the Perfect Planner

The simplest way to find a wedding planner is by person to person - either through friends, colleagues or family, or by reading reviews from other brides. Today, many wedding planners showcase their work in local magazines, websites, and blogs. This can provide you with a great feel for a planner's style and ability. Choose several wedding planners to meet up with or talk with on the phone.

## Meet up with the Planner

It's important to meet with the wedding planner to set up a relationship and make certain that you will have the ability to generally share a vision for the big day. Ask to visit a portfolio, and discuss that which you are intending for the wedding. A good wedding planner will continue to work with your vision to help turn it into a reality! Additionally it is important to talk about budget and expectations through your preliminary meeting.

## Pick a Package

Most wedding planners offer three packages: full planning, partial planning, and day-of coordination. Depending on budget and need, you will need to select the package that's right for you. You may need to consider how much time you've to purchase the wedding. If you should be looking towards all the facts, there's no reason to book a full planning package. If you simply want an expert to be onsite during the celebrations, then day of coordination is right for you. Finding yourself somewhere in the middle? Partial planning might function as way to go! Most wedding coordinators would also be happy to make a special package just for you, so don't hesitate to look for "a la carte" services.

## A Wedding Planner

**On a Budget** If you'd love to really have a planner help you with your wedding but aren't sure it's in the cards, don't worry. Many up-and-coming wedding planners could be happy to greatly help with your wedding for free or at a low price, in order to build their portfolio!

## Review the Contract

Just like any relationship, it's important to discuss expectations before you to remain the dotted line. Read the contract carefully, and ensure that you will be okay with all the current details. Your wedding planner will likely need a deposit to start planning, and the total amount will undoubtedly be due prior to the wedding.

Once you've selected your wedding planner, it's time for you to come together to begin making arrangements for the wedding. Arrange some meetings and a basic planning timeline - and let the planning begin!