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Wedding Week Checklist



Everything to wrap up before you say “I do,” so you can put the list down and just be there.

You’ve been planning this for months, and it’s finally here! This week isn’t about adding more to your plate. It’s about tying up the loose ends so that when your day arrives, your only job is to experience it.

Print this out or keep it on your phone, and check things off as you go.

Ashlee

from behind the camera

What your videographer wants you to know.

Build a buffer

Fifteen extra minutes here and there keeps the whole day feeling calm instead of rushed.

Let the ceremony breathe

Pause. Look at each other. Laugh if you need to. Those are the moments that make the film.

Tell me about your people

Who matters most? I want to know whose hugs, voices, and laughter to look for.

Trust the process

I fade into the background and capture what’s real. You don’t have to do a thing for the camera.



ONE WEEK BEFORE

tie up the loose ends

- ☐ Send your final guest count and seating chart to your venue or caterer
- ☐ Confirm your morning schedule with hair and makeup
- ☐ Schedule any haircuts or trims
- ☐ Get your engagement ring cleaned (trust me on this one!)
- ☐ Send your photographer and videographer your must-have list
- ☐ Practice your vows out loud (Not to memorize them. Just so the words feel like yours when you say them.)
- ☐ Check in with your planner or coordinator
- ☐ Go over the timeline with all of your vendors
- ☐ Pay any remaining balances
- ☐ Go on a date with your partner

A NOTE ON YOUR VOWS

Don't rush them! The ceremony is the heart of everything, and those words are the part you'll want to hear again and again.

2 TO 3 DAYS BEFORE

the hands-on stuff

- ☐ Organize your ceremony and reception decor

Pro tip: Set up one of each centerpiece, take a photo, then box up each table's decor with the photo inside. Whoever is setting up will know exactly what goes where.

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Spray tan, manicure, and pedicure

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Pack your emergency kit

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Spray-on deodorant

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Advil or Tylenol

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Mints

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Scissors

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Bobby pins

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Feminine products

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Sewing kit

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Fashion tape

Pro tip: If your dress has loops and buttons, toss in a crochet hook. It makes buttoning up so much faster!

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Make any final seating chart adjustments

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Wrap and organize your gifts

1 TO 2 DAYS BEFORE

almost there!

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Put final vendor payments in labeled envelopes

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Go to your rehearsal and rehearsal dinner, and enjoy it!

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Check in with your wedding party

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Pack your overnight bag

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Gather your wedding documents in one place

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Steam anything that's wrinkled

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Put your phone down early and get a good night's sleep

A NOTE ON THE NIGHT BEFORE

Excited, nervous, a little teary, all of it at once? That's completely normal. Let yourself feel it, then get some rest. Tomorrow is going to be so good!



YOUR WEDDING DAY

put the list down after this one

- ☐ Take a deep breath. You made it!
- ☐ Eat a real breakfast
- ☐ Stay hydrated
- ☐ Give yourself extra time in the morning
- ☐ Put your phone away
- ☐ Take a quiet moment before the ceremony with the people who matter most
- ☐ During the ceremony, slow down, breathe, and take a mental snapshot
- ☐ At the reception, eat, dance, and be with your guests
You don't have to perform the toasts or the dances. Just be in them.
- ☐ Sneak away with your partner for five minutes, just the two of you

The checklist ends here. The voices, the laughter, and the way it all felt are what you'll get to watch back for the rest of your lives.

enjoy every second!
Ashlee

Still looking for someone to film your day? I'd love to hear about it! heartfeltnarrative.com/contact