

DC ENTERTAINMENT 12 MONTH WEDDING CHECKLIST

This checklist covers a 12 to 6 months before your wedding, but you can adjust the schedule to your own timeline, whether you're planning two years or one month in advance. If you run into any issues or have any questions while going through this list please don't hesitate to contact us at DCEntertainmentny@gmail.com!

12 MONTHS

- Announce your engagement to family and friends and plan an engagement party**
- Place an engagement announcement in your local newspaper**
- Sign up for a wedding website to keep your guests informed about event details, area information, etc.**
- Work on the budget**
- Consider purchasing wedding planning software to organize everything, or hire a wedding planner to help secure contracts, etc.**
- Choose a wedding date - select a few days in case your first choice is booked**
- Choose a location and reserve your ceremony and reception site(s)**
- Begin a rough guest list and compile current addresses**
- Decide on who you'd like to have as your attendants, including your maid of honor and best man**
- Begin shopping for your wedding gown**
- Attend a local bridal show or two and jot down notes about any vendors you really liked**
- Purchase a wedding planning organizer or calendar to keep track of important dates and appointments (fittings, showers, etc.)**

6 – 9 MONTHS

- Research and choose one or more bridal gift registry**
- Order your wedding gown and buy undergarments that you will wear with it (bring these to all fittings)**
- Order other bridal accessories - shoes, gloves and veil**
- Begin shopping for bridesmaids' dresses**
- Find an officiant who will perform your ceremony**
- Research local vendors and book ceremony musicians, a wedding band/DJ, photographer, videographer, caterer and florist**