

PLANNING YOUR WEDDING DAY

We want your day to be everything you've dreamt of and have produced this handy checklist to help plan all the important aspects in the run up to your wedding day. If you choose to book your wedding at Old Thorns our team will help guide you along the way.

Once you've booked your venue (hopefully Old Thorns!), book your ceremony time.

TWELVE MONTHS BEFORE...

Send out 'Save the Date' cards to your guests.	
Advise your family and friends that they can book their accommodation.	
Book in to start the process of ordering your wedding outfits. Some dress makers can take up to 6 months to design and menswear can take time to order in, especially for larger parties.	
Start to think about your suppliers; research / ask for recommendations for your photographer, florist, entertainment, cake, decorations.	
Pick your colour scheme and themes to ensure decoration and outfits match.	

EIGHT MONTHS BEFORE...

Design your wedding invites and start sending them out to your guests. Request a deadline to return these by at least 2-3 months before your wedding date to avoid last minute chasing!	
If required, register for wedding gifts – you can include your gift list details in your invitations.	
Book your honeymoon or mini moon destination. If you're planning a trip abroad, ensure your passport is in date for at least 6 months longer than the trip requires and book any visa's needed.	
Meet with your external suppliers to confirm their services for the day, paying any deposits as required. Make sure to organise a cake tasting to choose your flavours and design.	

SIX MONTHS BEFORE...

Book in for your complimentary menu tasting at Old Thorns in our Kings Restaurant.	
Book your trial with your hairdresser and makeup artists. Invite bridesmaids and mothers if required for their trials too.	
Organise the bridesmaids dress fittings and the groomsmen suits.	
Choose and order your wedding rings.	

FOUR MONTHS BEFORE...

Start to think about your table plan and chase any guests that haven't RSVP'd so you can advise guest numbers to Old Thorns at your 3-month meeting.	
Choose your ceremony music and decide on your vows as well as any readings you may want to take place.	

THREE MONTHS BEFORE...

Meet with your Wedding Coordinator at Old Thorns to go through all your final details for the day.	
Order/create any wedding favours.	
Purchase small decorations for the ceremony (petals, lanterns, pictures, ring holders).	

ONE - TWO MONTHS BEFORE...

Read through your function sheet from your Wedding Coordinator to make sure all details discussed previously are noted.	
Confirm when suppliers can set up at the venue and finalise all payments deadlines for them.	
Collect all your wedding attire including groom's men's suits, bridal shoes, dresses veil and jewellery.	
Finalise guest numbers to Old Thorns for catering.	
Finalise your wedding stationery, creating your place cards, table plan etc. or send your guest list to your supplier.	

ONE - TWO WEEKS BEFORE...

If using Old Thorns resident DJ, ensure Old Thorns have a copy of your DJ Playlist Request Form.	
Confirm with all your supplier's the details of final delivery/collection if required.	
Box up and prepare any items you need to take to the venue including dresses.	

Now you have planned the whole day you can relax and enjoy your wedding day!

CONGRATULATIONS!