



Timeline for South Asian Weddings

12 To 18 Months Before the Wedding

- Determine your Budget and Who is Paying for What
- Choose Wedding Date
- Choose Ceremony and Reception Location
- Book Your Make-Up Artist
- Select Caterers
- Select Your Wedding Professionals: DJ or Band, Photographer, Videographer, Florist, Event Planner
- Begin Basic Guest List
- Select Your Wedding Party
- Send out Save the Dates

7 to 12 Months

- Discuss and Select Color Schemes
- Select Wedding Dress, Lengha or Saree, Head Piece and Matching Jewelry
- Reserve your Mehndi Artist
- Choose Calligrapher if You Intend to Use One
- Choose and Reserve Officiate for your Wedding (Pundit, Priest, etc)
- Choose and Book Locations for Other Events – Sangeet, Mehndi, Rehearsal Dinner, Garba, etc.
- Book any Rental Equipment Needing for Your Wedding or Other Wedding Events (Tables, Chairs, China, Silverware, Mandap, etc.)
- Select Outfits for other Wedding Events
- Select your Bridesmaids Dresses, Sarees or Lenghas
- Register for Gifts and Record Gifts as Received
- Book Barat – White Horse or Fancy Car and Dhol Guy (Drummer)
- Check Requirements for Wedding License

4 to 7 Months

- Finalize Guest List
- Choose and Order Invitations
- Book hotels for guest that will require accommodations
- Order wedding bands and wedding jewelry
- Shop for men's wedding attire (tuxedos, sherwanis)
- Choose Mandap and Centerpiece Designs
- Choose and Order Wedding Favors
- Order Custom Made Cake or and Ice Sculptures, if you Choose
- Help Family Coordinate and Find Their Wedding Day Clothing
- Choose Hairstyles for Your Events and Book Hair Dresser if Different from Your Make-up Artist
- Consider and Finalize Honeymoon Destination (Don't Forget to Check Visa Requirements)
- Review All Agreements and Forms with Vendors
- Start Workout and Skin Care Regimen for the Big Day



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2 to 4 Months

- Take Engagement Pictures
- Mail Out Invitations
- Maintain List of Invitations Sent and Responses Received
- Purchase Any Last Minute Wedding Needs
- Marriage License
- Set up Time Line for your Wedding Day
- Determine Who Will Speak at Your Wedding Reception
- Taste Food and Determine What Will be Served at Reception

2 to 8 Weeks

- Finalize Saree, Lengha, Dress Fitting
- Finalize Fittings for Wedding Attendants
- Obtain Marriage License
- Review Floor Plan with Caterer

1 to 2 Weeks

- Finalize Arrangements with Everyone.
- Contact Guests who have Not Responded

2 to 7 Days

- Finalize Seating Arrangements
- Make Marriage license is Signed and In Order
- Prepare a Wedding Day Kit (Should include aspirin, needle, thread, band aids, small scissor, tissues, tweezers, safety pins, bobby pins, baby wipes.)

Wedding Day

- RELAX, ENJOY AND SMILE