

kme Production's Wedding Day Timelines

Quick Tips:

- Allow for an hour and 45 minutes to two hours for the bride's hair and makeup
- For each bridesmaid, allow for 30 minutes for hair and 30 minutes each
- For hair and makeup, have the bride go last or close to last; this means the bride will be the most fresh for the wedding, and the rest of the wedding party is dolled up for the photos of the bride getting ready
- Have your photographer and videographer arrive once the bride has started getting ready; this way the getting ready photos will be the most flattering
- If you're doing a receiving line, plan 5 minutes per 50 guests. For a ceremony with 150 people, you will need 15 minutes
- For family photos, plan for 2-3 minutes per shot. Some photographers are faster, but corralling family members can take some extra time.



Wedding Day 2PM Start Time (No First Look)

- 9:00am—Hair and Makeup/Getting ready
- 12:00pm–Wedding party and family photos start
- 1:30pm—Doors open/Guests begin to arrive/Pre-ceremony music starts
- 2:00pm—Ceremony starts
- 2:35pm—Ceremony ends
- 2:45pm— Photo session begins (full bridal part, full family photos, and bride and groom photos)
- 5:00pm-Reception begins
- 5:20pm—All guests have food
- 6:15pm—Toasts
- 6:40pm—First dance
- 6:55pm—General dancing music starts
- 7:30pm-Dessert
- 9:45pm—Last call
- 9:55pm-Music off
- 10:00pm–Guests depart
- 11:00pm—Breakdown done, all staff departs



Wedding Day 2PM Start Time (First Look)

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Wedding Day 3PM Start Time (No First Look)

- 10:00am—Hair and Makeup/Getting ready
- 2:00pm–Wedding party and family photos start
 - Photos of bride with bridesmaids and groom with groomsmen
- 2:30pm—Doors open/Guests begin to arrive/Pre-ceremony music starts
- 3:00pm—Ceremony starts
- 3:35pm–Ceremony ends
- 3:45pm—Photo session begins (full bridal part, full family photos, and bride and groom photos)
- 5:00pm-Reception begins
- 5:20pm—All guests have food
- 6:00pm—Toasts
- 6:30pm—First dance
- 6:35pm–General dancing music starts
- 7:30pm—Cake cutting
- 9:45pm-Last call
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