

A R K A N S A S  
**BRIDE**

*Wedding Day  
Timeline & Checklist*

**SUGGESTED TIMELINE**

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(Insert desired times next to the traditional order of events provided.)

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| _____ Begin hair and makeup;<br>time to get ready!   | _____ Cocktails and appetizers served                                   |
| _____ Vendors begin to arrive and setup<br>(for ceremony <i>and</i> reception)                         | _____ Bride and groom make their entrance                               |
| _____ Florist delivers bouquets, boutonnieres<br>and corsages for photos                               | _____ Dinner is served  |
| _____ Take any first-look, wedding party and<br>family photos, if desired                              | _____ First dance, followed by father-daughter<br>and mother-son dances |
| _____ Bride and groom return to separate<br>quarters to freshen up; take final<br>getting ready photos | _____ General dancing begins  |
| _____ Doors open for ceremony  | _____ Cake cutting; dessert is served                                   |
| _____ Guests begin to arrive,<br>pre-ceremony music starts   | _____ Toasts; thank you speech by groom and/<br>or father-of-the-bride  |
| _____ Doors close, ceremony begins   | _____ General dancing continues   |
| <i>Optional: Leave a 15-minute window for late<br/>guests before beginning the ceremony.</i>           | _____ Bouquet and garter toss (optional)                                |
| _____ Ceremony ends, guests directed to<br>the reception   | _____ Last call; general dancing wraps-up                               |
| _____ Optional time for bride/groom portraits<br>and photos with family and wedding<br>party           | _____ Guests directed to exit for<br>bride and groom getaway            |
|  | _____ Bride and groom getaway   |
|  | _____ Final gratuities paid   |
|  | _____ Guests depart   |
|  | _____ Vendor takedown and cleanup begins                                |



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 BRIDE Checklist: What to bring with you

## WEDDING DAY CHECKLIST — THE BRIDE

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### ATTIRE

- Dress
- Veil
- Garter
- Jewelry
- Shoes (*consider traction pads for heels*)
- A comfortable pair of flats (*just incase*)
- Other accessories
- Nice hanger for wedding dress photos

### TOILETRIES

- Makeup
- Makeup remover wipes and/or blotter pads
- Hairspray/hair products
- Iron/steamer
- Lint roller
- Emergency/repair kit
- Tweezers

- Sewing kit with needle & white thread
- Tide-To-Go pen or Shout wipes
- Safety pins
- Q-tips
- Band-Aids
- Double-sided tape
- Tampons/similar
- Deodorant
- Pain medicine
- Breath mints

### GIFTS & OTHER

- Groom's band
- Groom's wedding gift
- Thank you gifts for parents, bridesmaids or other, if you haven't presented them already
- Water and snacks
- Fully charged cell phone and charger

## WEDDING DAY CHECKLIST — THE GROOM

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### ATTIRE

- Suit or tuxedo
- Tie, vest, cummerbund, pocket square, etc.
- Cufflinks
- Shoes
- Socks
- Handkerchief
- Other accessories

### TOILETRIES

- Hair products
- Deodorant
- Breath mints

- Blotter pads
- Tweezers
- Lint roller
- Iron/steamer

### GIFTS & OTHER

- Marriage license
- Bride's wedding band
- Bride's wedding gift
- Thank you gifts for groomsmen, if you haven't presented them already
- Water and snacks
- Fully charged cell phone and charger