

WEDDING PLANNING

IN THE NICEST OF TERMS, WEDDING PLANNING CAN BE A DOOZY.

There are so many details, decisions and - most of all - opinions. All you wanted to do was get married and now you feel like the world's busiest event planner!

I created this guide as a launching pad for your wedding detail brainstorming session!



Before we dive into all those budgeting tips, there are a few things you should know about me:

- I love the color yellow and everything sunshine
- I LOVE flying, especially at sunrise (see what I mean about sunshine?)
- I tend to squeal when I get excited (including in text form)
- I am suuuuch a hopeful romantic
- I love Jesus a whole lot!

And one more thing — I'M HERE FOR YOU.

Now let's get this brainstorming party started!!!

WEDDING DETAIL IDEAS

cool ideas I see as a wedding rendor

> ENGAGEMENT SESSION GUEST BOOK

• Print a photo book filled with your engagement photos & include white space for couples to sign as a guest book!

VOICEMAIL GUEST BOOK

- Have your guests leave voicemails on a vintage cord phone instead of writing notes in a book!
- Note a very fun idea if your guests party hard;)

DIY CENTERPIECES

- Make your own centerpieces instead of floral arrangements.
- Go thrifting for unique vases then visit Michael's for spray paint & fillers (I'm a fan of faux pampas grass!)
- BONUS: Throw a centerpiece-making party with your friends!

TRAVEL PHOTO TABLE NUMBERS

• Include a photo of somewhere you two have traveled for each table number & name the table that location!

BAR CART COCKTAIL HOUR

• Why have a normal bar when you can have a vintage horse trailer?! My go-to gals for this are <u>Backyard Bar Co.</u>

> LOVE LETTER AUDIO TAPE

- Instead of writing a letter to give to your S/O on wedding day, record yourself reading the letter so they can hear your voice before saying "I do"!
- · A fantastic idea if you're not doing a first look
- Pro tip gift them a new set of headphones to listen on!

WEDDING RECEPTION IDEAS

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DRESS CHANGE

- Why have one wedding dress when you can have TWO!!
- Surprise your guests (and maybe even your spouse!) with an outfit change after cake cutting to kick off the dance party!
- If you're having an after party, a dress change is especially ideal!

> SURPRISE HAIRCUT

 Have your hairdresser come back to give you a chop before your grand reception entrance!!

> PRIVATE LAST DANCE

• You don't get much one-on-one time with your spouse. Enjoy each other as newlyweds for a private last dance while your guests line up outside for the formal exit!

> PHOTO DASH

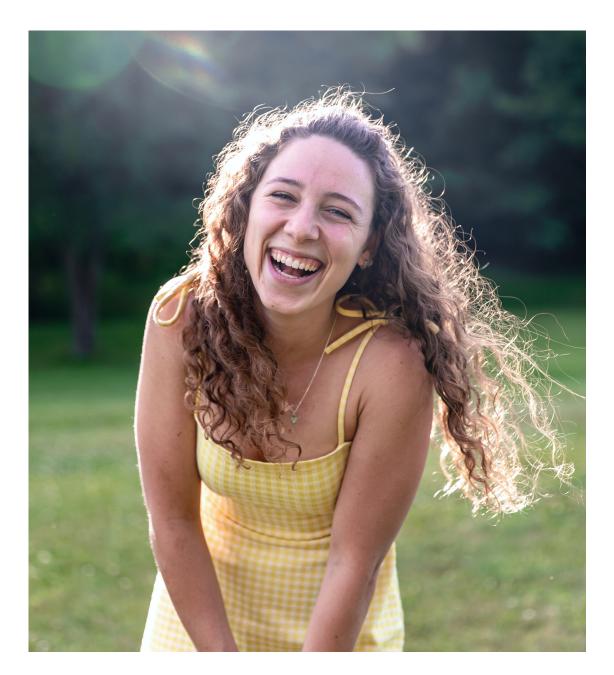
- Instead of a receiving line, do a photo dash at your reception!
 Have the DJ play a fun song while you two run around to every table for a quick photo!
- The most efficient way to get a photo with every guest

> CHAMPAGNE TOWER

You & your spouse pour champagne over a tower of glasses

> LATE NIGHT SNACK

 Feeling hungry again after all that dancing? Offer a late night snack (like mini cheesesteaks or breakfast sandwiches) for all your peckish guests!



I hope you found at least one idea you can apply to your own wedding!! I'm cheering you on, sis:)

For more tips like these, feel free to visit the blog on my website!! I have posts on there like 5 Questions to Ask Your Photographer Before Booking, Authentic Engagement Session Ideas, 4 Reasons Why Engagement Sessions are Important, and more!!

XOXO, GABRIELLA