

Capturing your Best Day Ever!



TIPS FOR MAKING YOUR WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHY FRIENDLY!

We know all the hard work you and your loved ones put into making your wedding day beautiful, memorable, and an event for everyone to enjoy! In the end, you will have some leftover cake and napkins, your guestbook and the photos that were captured. Here are some of our pro tips for getting the most out of your wedding photography throughout your wedding day

#1 Hire a Coordinator

Even if you are going the DIY route for most of your wedding planning, a coordinator will help you be present for all your important moments and will ease the burden on family and friends who would otherwise fulfill that role. So much wedding day stress can be avoided when you know logistics are taken care of!

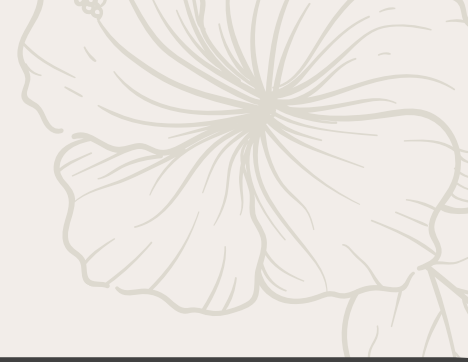
#3 Getting Ready

Many venues have gorgeous spaces available for you to get ready in, or some couples choose to use a hotel room or their own homes. Getting ready photos are the essence of photojournalistic wedding photos and we prefer to use natural light when possible so try to have some well lit areas. Also, there is so much going on around you that you may not notice the clutter stacking up. For getting dressed, try to keep a well lit area clutter free so we aren't capturing a lot of clutter in the background.

#2 The Details

Okay, we are well aware that you spent 4 months picking out those shoes and those cufflinks. We want to photograph them! One of first things we do when we arrive on the scene is detail photos, so be sure to have accessories, jewelry, bouquets, stationary and dress ready when we get there. Take off the packaging and place in a special box so it is all together





#4 The Ceremony

It is super helpful for us if you have your officiant make an announcement for your guests to be mindful of their use of digital cameras and mobile devices during key moments of the ceremony. All too often we take special care to find the right angle and zoom in to get the frame perfect for the walk down the aisle, the exchange of rings, or the kiss only to have it obstructed by a cell phone a split second later before we click the shutter!



#5 Formal Portraits

Allow enough time in your timeline for family portraits. Large groups typically take at least 10 minutes to photograph. Write down all the groupings you want to include in your family portraits so we can plan the photography timing accordingly. Inform family members ahead of time that you would like them included in family portraits and designate a person who is familiar with the whole family to help gather everyone.



#6 The Reception

Much like your wedding prep, we know that the reception details are important to you. If no special lighting is provided by the venue or entertainment vendor, make sure your special reception details like head table, cake table, guestbook table, and dance floor are arranged in well lit locations and have minimal clutter placed behind them.

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