

HINTS, TIPS AND TIMINGS FOR THE DAY

THE DRESS!!!



Hang up the dress on curtain rail or back of door. Remove all packaging to allow dress to breath and wrinkles to drop out. Take off labels and make sure you have a pair of scissors at hand.

Organise the bridesmaids outfits with shoes, jewellery, dresses together for each girl. Remove labels from soles of shoes and scrape them on a rough surface to prevent slipping. As a precaution, make sure you have thread in the colour of the wedding dress, bridesmaids dress and mother of the brides outfit. Little accidents happen. They are not a disaster if you are prepared.

TIME

It will take approximately 1 hour for official photos on the day. If you have a large family or lots of friends and family formal combinations you may need to add an extra 30 minutes.

When you are planning your timings with the hotel, the general rule of thumb is 4 hours between start of service and call into room for meal plus travel time if it is over 15 minutes. So if you are due to get married at 1pm and getting married within 15/20 minutes from church, you would plan to go into the reception room at 5pm.

CARS

If there is a distance between locations, add the travel time onto the above timings. Always ask your car supplier for average speed of car. Vintage cars take longer to you around and you need to allow for this in your timings. If you are stopping on location for photographs, make sure to let your car provider know in advance of your wedding as they may have other things scheduled on the day .



HAIR AND MAKE UP



Let your hairdresser and make up artist know you have a photographer coming to you. Aim to have your hair and make up complete an hour and half before you are due to leave. You can get top ups and touch ups at the end when bridesmaids are finished.

Photographer will arrive with you around this time. We will get a few getting ready shots at this time and then take 5 minutes with you to check out your best side and build some rapport with you.

Choose who is going to get you into your dress. If your mother is attending the wedding, it is nice that she helps you get dressed. Whoever is the dresser, have them in make up after yourself so that they are finished early enough to ensure you are not stressed and have the time to enjoy the getting ready experience.

If you have chosen a loose downstyle for your hair and it turns out to be a windy day, ask your hairdresser to show you or your bridesmaids where and how you could clip it back off your face during the main photographs if needed. The clips can be removed before you go inside. We find that long down styles agitate brides as it blows into their lipstick and eyes.

