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### The WEDDING GUIDE

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### Bahamas Bridal Show is "The One for You"

Hello brides and grooms,

We're delighted that you've decided to take the leap into a marriage relationship.

As you plan your wedding celebration, we invite you to consider giving some of your business to the wonderful wedding and home suppliers that have gathered at this event to offer you their products, services and share their expertise.

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We're grateful for the participation of all exhibitors, their staff and the many persons who volunteer to make the show a success. We appreciate your support.

Sincerely,

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Your wedding gown is something you will remember for the rest of your life...and should make you feel and look good. After all, you are the center of attention! The same could be said about gowns for your entire bridal party.

For many brides-to-be, price is the biggest factor in determining which gowns to wear. For some, style is key to making a purchase. As for others, it is *pure emotion!* 

Either way, you need to make smart, educated decisions about the gowns for you and your bridal party. By establishing guidelines and a set of priorities, you can make your search for the perfect gowns a lot easier.

#### The most important questions are:

#### What kind of wedding is planned?

The styles you choose will depend on the formality and style of the wedding itself. Typically, the more formal the wedding, the more formal your gowns should be for you, the bride, bridesmaids, flower girl and usherettes.

#### What is your wedding date?

The wedding date is critical since some fabrics and styles are seasonally and some gowns might not be comfortable for the weather temperature at the time of your wedding.

Many gowns are special orders and require much as four months for delivery. Even if you purchase gowns that are ready for immediate shipment, it may still require time for alterations.

#### How much can you spend?

Establish how much you have to spend on your wedding gown and have an idea on how much your bridal party members, including bridesmaids, flower girls and usherettes, can afford for their gowns. They will need to purchase accessories, such as headpieces, shoes, gloves, jewelry, hair-styling. The package could average \$650.

The average price brides are willing to spend on a wedding gown is \$2,500. Add headpiece, veil, shoes, jewelry hairstyling and the price will easily exceed \$5,000 for the bride's complete attire.

Meet with a bridal consultant who could assist you with selections and budget.





### Gifts for home sweet home...

Choosing a bridal registry will certainly help take the guesswork out of receiving wedding gifts. Discuss your preferences with an experienced registry consultant when you're ready to make selections. Sign up with a registry at least three months before the wedding.

While department stores are most recognized for gift selections, realty companies, and furniture and appliance stores are now offering similar services. Registries will also keep a list of what your guests have purchased for you. That way, you will be able to follow-up with a Thank You note.

The following checklist can help you consider what you might need for your new home:

#### **DINNERWARE**

- dinner plates
- salad plates
- dessert plates
- soup & cereal bowls
- fruit bowls
- tea cups
- coffee mugs
- saucers
- sugar bowl
- creamer
- vegetable servers
- casserole servers
- serving bowls
- gravy boat
- tea pot
- serving tray

#### CRYSTAL/ GLASSWARE

- champagne glasses/ sherbets
- martini glasses
- brandy snifters
- multi-purpose glassware

#### **FLATWARE**

- spoons, forks & knives
- salad forks (smaller)
- soup spoons
- teaspoons
- butter spreader
- cake server
- salad servers

#### KITCHEN/COOKING

- microwave
- blender
- coffeemakercan opener
- electric knife sharpener
- bread maker
- cookware set
- frying pans
- skillets (deep frying)
- casserole dishes

#### **CUTLERY**

- utility knives
- carving knives
- chef knife
- steak knife set
- cutting board

#### HOME ELECTRONICS

- LDC television
- stereo
- compact disc player/CD
- video cassette recorder (VCR)
- answering machine
- clock/radio
- digital camera
- video camera

#### **BATH**

- shower curtain
- mats & rugs
- clothes hamper

#### **BATH** (continued)

- trash can
- bath towels
- hand towels
- face clothsweight scale
- accessories
- (soap dish, toothbrush holder, tissue box)

#### LINENS

- fitted sheets
- flat sheets
- bed skirt
- pillow cases
- pillow shams
- comforters
- accent pillows (loose)
- blankets
- mattress protector

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

- vacuum cleaner
- dustbuster
- water filter
- iron & ironing board
- luggage
- exercise equipment
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- washer & dryer
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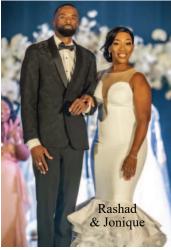
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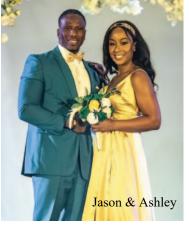












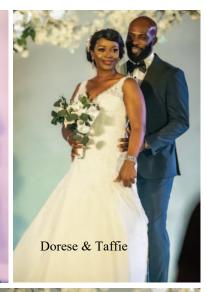


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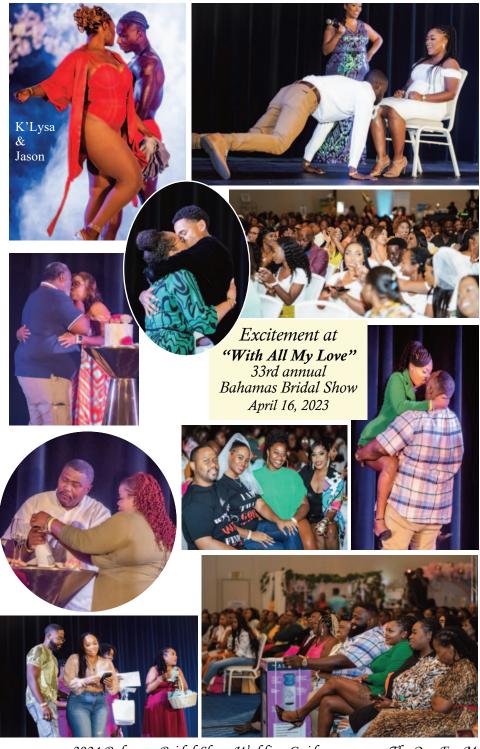


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- 2nd Bahamas Bridal Show February 3, 1991, Le Meridien Royal Bahamian Hotel, Cable Beach; registered couples: 262; attendance: 1,008; retailers: 22.
- · 3rd Bahamas Bridal Show August 11, 1991, Wyndham Ambassador Beach Hotel, Cable Beach; registered couples: 274; attendance: 921; retailers: 25.
- 4th Bahamas Bridal Show "Where Wedding Dreams Begin" April 12, 1992, Le Meridien Royal Ba- • 20th Bahamas Bridal Show - "Your Destiny" hamian; registered couples: 291; attendance: 994; re-
- 5th Bahamas Bridal Show "Wedding Dreams" March 21, 1993, Carnival's Crystal Palace; registered couples: 314; attendance: 1,123; retailers: 29. ("Weddings in Paradise" - September 26, 1993 @ Sheraton Grand Hotel, Paradise Island; registered couples: 232; attendance: 816; retailers: 20).
- · 6th Bahamas Bridal Show "Wedding Treasurers" April 24, 1994, Carnival's Crystal Palace; registered couples: 289; attendance: 1,205; retailers: 28.
- 7th Bahamas Bridal Show "Wedding Fantasies" March 19, 1995, Crystal Palace Resort, Cable Beach; reg. couples: 303; attendance: 1,218; retailers: 32.
- 8th Bahamas Bridal Show "Forever Yours" March 10, 1996, Crystal Palace Resort; registered couples: 321; attendance: 1,278; retailers: 34.
- 9th Bahamas Bridal Show "Wedding Bells" March 9, 1997, Nassau Marriott Resort; registered couples: 328; attendance: 1,310; retailers: 36.
- 10th Bahamas Bridal Show "Weddings of a Life-time" March 1, 1998, Nassau Marriott Resort, registered couples: 342; attendance: 1,406; retailers: 48.
- 11th Bahamas Bridal Show "One True Love" February 21, 1999, Nassau Marriott Resort; registered couples: 363; attendance: 1,426; retailers: 55.
- 12th Bahamas Bridal Show "Millennium Brides" March 26, 2000, Nassau Marriott Resort; April 9, 2000, Resort at Bahamia, Freeport; registered couples: 411; attendance: 1,586; retailers: 68.
- 13th Bahamas Bridal Show "Always & Forever" April 1, 2001, Nassau Marriott Resort; April 8, 2001. Our Lucaya Resort, Freeport; registered couples: 508; attendance: 1,791; retailers: 78.
- 14th Bahamas Bridal Show "From This Moment" March 10, 2002, Nassau Marriott Resort; March 17, • 31st Bahamas Bridal Show "Falling in Love" March
- 15th Bahamas Bridal Show "Wings of Love" March 30, 2003, Wyndham Nassau Resort; April 6, 2003, Our Lucaya Resort, Freeport; registered couples: 482; attendance: 1,725; retailers: 81.
- 16th Bahamas Bridal Show "Power of A Dream" March 28, 2004, Wyndham Nassau Resort; April 4, 2004, Crowne Plaza Resort, Freeport; registered couples: 461; attendance: 1,608; retailers: 72.

- 17th Bahamas Bridal Show "A Time For Love" April 9-10, 2005, Wyndham Nassau Resort; registered couples: 278; attendance: 1,104; retailers: 49.
- 18th Bahamas Bridal Show "Circle of Love" April 8-9, 2006, Radisson Cable Beach Resort; registered couples: 286; attendance: 718; retailers: 58.
- 19th Bahamas Bridal Show "A Dream Come True" April 15, 2007, Wyndham Nassau Resort; registered couples: 271; attendance: 988; retailers: 42.
- March 30, 2008, Wyndham Nassau Resort; registered couples: 365; attendance: 1,412; exhibitors: 55.
- 21st Bahamas Bridal Show "Two Hearts, One Beat" March 29, 2009, Wyndham Nassau Resort; registered couples: 310; attendance: 1,398; exhibitors: 46.
- 22nd Bahamas Bridal Show "Live Your Dreams" March 28, 2010, Wyndham Nassau Resort; registered couples: 296; attendance: 1,405; exhibitors: 47.
- 23rd Bahamas Bridal Show "Love & Cherish" March 27, 2011, Wyndham Nassau Resort; registered couples: 371; attendance: 1,508; exhibitors: 49.
- 24th Bahamas Bridal Show "Magic of Love" March 25, 2012, Wyndham Nassau Resort; registered couples: 384; attendance: 1,442; exhibitors: 43.
- 25th Bahamas Bridal Show "Your Wedding Day" March 24, 2013, Wyndham Nassau Resort; registered couples: 256; attendance: 1,223; exhibitors: 41.
- 26th Bahamas Bridal Show "Here Comes the Bride" April 6, 2014, Melia Nassau Beach Resort & Rainforest Theatre; registered couples: 342; attendance: 1,045; exhibitors: 35.
- 27th Bahamas Bridal Show "The One" March 22, 2015, Melia Nassau Beach Resort; registered couples: 312; attendance: 780; exhibitors: 37.
- 28th Bahamas Bridal Show "Happily Ever After" March 13, 2016, Melia Nassau Beach Resort; registered couples: 283; attendance: 892; exhibitors: 46.
- 29th Bahamas Bridal Show "A New Day" April 2, 2017, Melia Nassau Beach All-inclusive; registered couples: 322; attendance: 912; exhibitors: 44.
- 30th Bahamas Bridal Show "The Promise" April 15, 2018, Melia Nassau Beach All-inclusive; registered couples: 264; attendance: 897; exhibitors: 47.
- 2002, Our Lucaya Resort, Freeport; registered couples: 31, 2019, Grand Hyatt Baha Mar; registered couples: 498; attendance: 1,771; retailers: 81. 247; attendance: 952; exhibitors: 52.
  - 32nd Bahamas Bridal Show "One Lifetime" May 29, 2022, Grand Hyatt Baha Mar; registered couples: 184; attendance: 708; exhibitors: 42.
  - 33rd Bahamas Bridal Show "All My Love" April 16, 2023, Grand Hyatt Baha Mar; registered couples: 216; attendance: 811; exhibitors: 45.

### Wedding Calendar

Careful planning and scheduling will enable you to truly enjoy every moment of your Wedding Day. You should begin planning for a large formal wedding at least six months in advance.

Following a time-table will allow your wedding suppliers to provide the best quality products and service. It's customary for the bride and groom to share in the planning.

6 TO 12 MONTHS BEFORE WEDDING			Notes		
o Decide budget					
o Location of ceremony					
o Visit marriage officer					
o Choose reception site					
o Select gowns & accessories					
o Select men's formalwear					
o Select bridal registry					
o Select caterer					
o Select florist					
o Select photographer					
o Select videographer					
o Musicians for ceremony & reception					
o Compile guest list					
o Choose attendants					
o Maid of Honouro Best Man					
Bridesmaids	Groomsmen	Ushers	Others		

### Wedding Calendar

4 TO 6 MONTHS BEFORE WEDDING	Notes			
o Order Invitations, stationery				
o Order wedding rings (engraving)				
o Reserve rental items (tent, etc.)				
o Order wedding cake				
o Order decorations (balloons, etc.)				
o Reserve limousines				
o Locate place to live				
o Appointment for physical examination				
o Shop for home furnishings				
2 TO 4 MONTHS BEFORE WEDDING	Notes			
o Mail wedding invitations				
o Test new hairstyles				
o Rehearsal dinner plans				
o Final fitting of gowns and tuxedos				
o Wedding gifts				
o Finalize honeymoon plans (check luggage)				
o Living accommodations for visiting guests				
2 TO 4 WEEKS BEFORE WEDDING				
o Visit bridal registry, record wedding gifts, start sending "Thank You"	notes			
o Double check attire and accessories for bridal party				
o Make ceremony and reception (i.e. place cards) seating arrangement				
o Schedule appointments with hairstylist & manicurist				

- o Begin packing for honeymoon and move to new residence
- o Have final meeting with caterer, florist, musicians, photographer, videographer, limousine drivers, printer (wedding programme), etc.
- o Arrange for name and address changes on bank account, credit cards, driver's license, insurances, passport, etc.
- o Set date and time to collect gowns & tuxedos
- o Pick up marriage license and have final meeting with marriage officer
- o Attend parties in your honour





### Here comes the groom...

The bride has and will always be the focus point of a wedding celebration. But he comes the groom!

There are so many fabulous choices in men's formal wear. Even though tuxedos aren't the only option on the cutting table from which to choose, they are THE favourite choice for weddings.

Almost every couple wants to look and feel like royalty, and willing to spend a little more to achieve their desire. Don't be surprised to see groomsmen spending more on their attire than bridesmaids do.

While black and navy blue appear to be the standard of formal wear, a contemporary groom has let loose from the traditional groom. Men are wearing tight-fitting, single-breasted jackets with one or two buttons, and slim-fit trousers that aren't tapered at the ankle.

Don't look now, but double-breasted jackets are back. Scissor-tails are taking a back seat for now, but are always ready for special-theme weddings.

Even though an admiration of the classic style still exist, grooms can wear a variety of tux colours, regardless of the time of year. Spring, summer or fall, any colour will do: purple, agua, royal blue, pink, and green in either earth tones or brighter shades.

When selecting tuxedos (or special designed suits), it's important to match the accessories with the ladies' dress colours. The bride will make sure of that, though. She will insist on going with you to make selections.

> Don't forget the shoes, laces or loafers in a variety of colours. And, without socks. If worn with socks, the colours are endless. And so are the colours for ties and vests.

> On her wedding day, the bride will certainly wear the most expensive or amazing dress she's ever worn. But the groom will get some attention of his own - with his groomsmen.



## Commonwealth of the Bahamas

### Sample Application for a Marriage License

(Form prescribed by the Registrar General under section 19 of The Marriage Act Ch. 106)

NAME OF APPLICANT IN FULL(block letters)
Condition
(Bachelor, Widower or Divorce)
Occupation or Calling
Date of BirthAge Last Birthday
Place of Birth
How long resident in The Bahamas
Address in The Bahamas
Address Abroad
(if not orainarily resident in The Banamas)
Name of Father
NAME OF PERSON TO WHOM
TO BE MARRIED IN FULL (block letters)
Condition
(Spinster, Widow, Divorce)
Occupation or Calling
Date of BirthAge Last Birthday
Place of Birth
How long resident in The Bahamas
Address in The Bahamas
Address Abroad
(if not ordinarily resident in The Bahamas)
Name of Father
We (applicants) and hereby solemnly and
sincerely declare that a Marriage has been agreed upon between us and that the foregoing particulars
are in every respect true, and that we believe there is no impediment of blood relationship or other
lawful hindrance to such Marriage, and we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the
same to be true.
Signatures
<b>Note:</b> 1. The declaration should be made before any Marriage Officer, Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, or other
person legally authorized to administer oaths.
2. If either of the parties herein described is under 18 years, a Certificate of the Consent of the Parents or Guardian in

3. If either of the parties has been divorced, a certified or authenticated copy of the final decree must be produced.

the prescribed form must be attached hereto.

### **Wedding Etiquette for Your Guests**

As soon as guests receive an invitation to your wedding, the phone calls and emails will begin. Guests will treat you like their personal concierge, with questions about transportation, accommodations, and even ask questions related to the planning of *your* wedding.

#### Sending RSVPs

Anyone who has ever planned a wedding knows the importance of a punctual RSVP (it's a French term, meaning "repondez, s'il vous plait."). In plain English, RSVP means to reply by the deadline indicated on the invitation. Before giving your caterer a final head count, you need to know who will attend.

A week after the deadline, it's time to make phone calls to those who have failed to respond. Recruit a reliable person to help you with this task or send a group email (use a blind CC) advising that you need to know if they're planning on attending. Call those who do not reply to the email.

Put the reply-by-date as early as possible. When your guests see the deadline is quickly approaching, hopefully they will reply in a timely manner.

#### Sending RSVPs with Extra Guests

The good news is that some guests will return the RSVP to beat the deadline. The bad news is, they will be attending with others you never invited or persons you never heard of. Every invitation does not bestow the right to bring a date or a child.

To avoid any hard feelings, establish in advance a no-exceptions guest list policy, such as "significant others" only if engaged or no children under 18.

Address your invitations exactly what you mean. Never write "Johnson Family." The Johnson family might be larger than you ever imagined.

#### Who Pay\$ for the Wedding?

There will be much confusion as to who is responsible for what expenses when planning a wedding. To ease some tension, below is a summary of what each family may wish to pay:

The Bride & Her Family:

- Groom's wedding band and gift Formal wear for her father
- Accommodations & gifts for attendants Her gown and accessories
- Wedding flowers & all bouquets
   Photography, videography, entertainment
   Wedding cake and rental items
- Transportation for bridal party
   Gift for bride and groom

#### The Groom & His Family:

- Engagement ring and wedding band Marriage license and clergy's fees
- Bride's bouquet and going-away corsage Rehearsal dinner
- Corsages for both mothers & boutonnieres Gift for bride and groom
- Honeymoon arrangements Formal wear for his father
- Other expenses they wish to assume, including shower/bachelorette party for bride.

### Prepare a Wedding Budget

A budget is most essential in planning a wedding. Without it, you are destined to have crisis or ruin relationships, even before the celebration begins.

It's important to sit down and carefully organize a reasonable budget prior to making any wedding arrangements. Once you're working with a budget, share specific information with your wedding suppliers so they can make appropriate recommendations in supplying your needs.

Below, write down what your budget will allow for the items, then note the actual cost for those items after getting confirmed quotes from suppliers. Try to stick to your budget - you will be happy in the end.

YOUR BUDGET	ACTUAL COST	ITEM DESCRIPTION
\$	\$	Catering
\$	\$	Beverage/Drinks
\$	\$	Reception Site
\$	\$	Rehearsal Dinner
\$	\$	Bride's Gown & Accessories
\$	\$	Groom's Wedding Attire
\$	\$	Wedding Rings
\$	\$	Invitations
\$	\$	Honeymoon & Travel
\$	\$	Music & Entertainment
\$	\$	Wedding Cake
\$	\$	Flowers
\$	\$	Photography
\$	\$	Video Service
\$	\$	Limousine Services
\$	\$	Hair Stylist
\$	\$	Gifts for Bridal Party Attendants
\$	\$	Ceremony Fees
\$	\$	Wedding Consulting Services
\$	\$	Decorations
\$	\$	Rental Items
\$	\$	Housing (mortgage, apartment)
\$	\$	Reviv Hydration Therapy
\$	\$	All Others
		TOTALS

*NOTE:* There is generally no extra charge for the reception facility if a hotel is providing the catering services.



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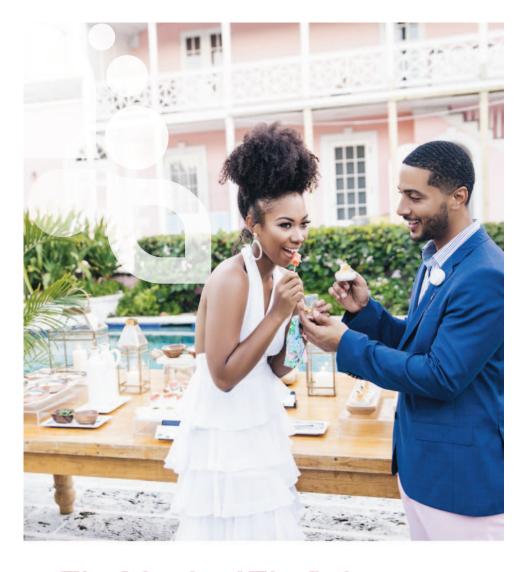
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