

Months of planning have all come down to this... the final stretch. 2 weeks and counting gives you some final tips to ensure that your wedding day remains stress free and as amazing as you imagined.

- 1 Confirm EVERY DETAIL with EVERY VENDOR for the wedding day and ensure that both you and the vendors have emergency contact numbers for the day of the wedding:
 - Reception: Provide final head count
 - Transportation Company: Confirm pick-up time, location & directions.
 - Florist: Confirm order & drop-off time
 - Music: Confirm, time, location & special song selections
 - Cake: Confirm drop-off time & location.
 - Photographer: Confirm start time & location.
 - Videographer: Confirm start time & location.
 - Officiant: Confirm rehearsal time & marriage license.
 - Honeymoon: Confirm reservations with travel agent.
- 2 Provide your photographer with a list of must-have photos and the names of people that should be included in the family portraits
- 3 Try everything on. Make sure that you and your bridal attendants know how your dress bustle works and make sure that you have broken in your shoes.
- 4 Have attendants arrive early to get dressed so that when the photographer arrives you can make the most of your photo time.
- 5 Pack emergency kit (see page 144).
- 6 Wrap up your attendants' gifts and write each one a personal note to let them know how much they mean to you.
- 7 Designate someone to be in charge of any payments that are due the day of the wedding and ensure that payments to vendors are made promptly.
- 8 Designate someone to be in charge of the gift table. Don't forget to give them some scotch tape to attach any loose cards. Also, make sure you have a secure container for "card only" gifts.
- 9 If you plan on making a speech, give a written copy to your maid of honour just in case your nerves get the better of you.
- 10 If something goes wrong, don't panic. In all likelihood you'll probably be the only one who notices. By accepting that your day might not go exactly as planned, you can sit back and enjoy the fruits of your labour.