### HOW TO MAKE YOU WEDDING DAY PERFECT

# 10 ESSENTIAL TIPS TO HELP YOUR WEDDING DAY RUN SMOOTHLY



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BEAUTIFULLY CAPTURED DAYS.

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#### **▼ TIP 1**: PLAN YOUR TIMELINE REALISTICALLY

LEAVE PLENTY OF TIME BETWEEN EVENTS. FACTOR IN HAIR, MAKEUP, TRAVEL, PHOTOS, AND GETTING INTO THE DRESS. AIM TO BE READY 30–45 MINUTES BEFORE YOUR CEREMONY TO AVOID FEELING RUSHED.

#### **▼ TIP 2**: BOOK YOUR TRUSTED SUPPLIERS EARLY

THE BEST PHOTOGRAPHERS, VIDEOGRAPHERS, VENUES, AND MAKEUP ARTISTS GET BOOKED QUICKLY. PRIORITISE BOOKING YOUR VENUE, PHOTOGRAPHER, VIDEOGRAPHER, CELEBRANT, AND MAKEUP/HAIR AT LEAST 12 MONTHS AHEAD IF POSSIBLE.



#### TIP 3: HAVE A FAMILY OR FRIENDS 'HELP LIST'

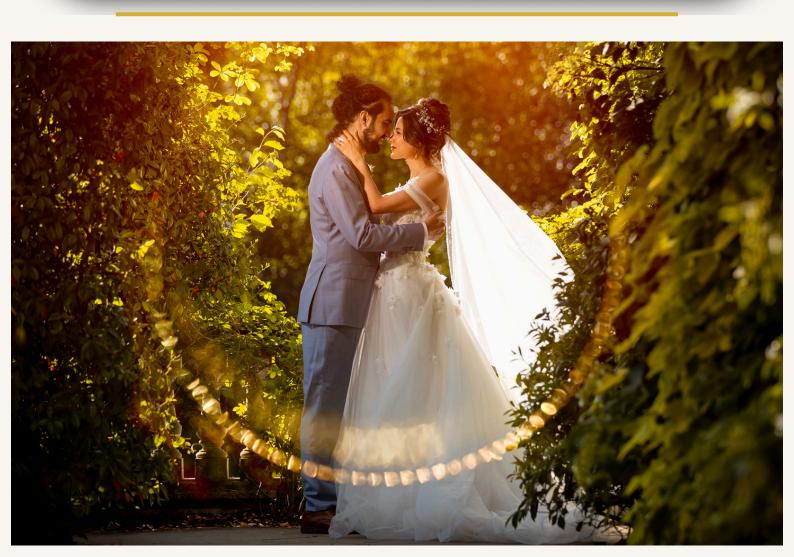
ASSIGN A FEW TRUSTED PEOPLE TO HELP WITH SPECIFIC JOBS — LIKE HOLDING THE BOUQUET, BRINGING SNACKS, OR KEEPING TRACK OF THE TIME. IT TAKES THE PRESSURE OFF YOU ON THE DAY.

#### **▼ TIP 4**: CHOOSE A RELAXED GETTING READY SPACE

OPT FOR A SPACE WITH NATURAL LIGHT, NEUTRAL WALLS, AND ENOUGH ROOM FOR EVERYONE. THIS MAKES A HUGE DIFFERENCE TO THE QUALITY OF YOUR GETTING READY PHOTOS.

#### **TIP 5**: DON'T SKIP BREAKFAST

IT'S A LONG DAY! EAT SOMETHING PROPER IN THE MORNING, EVEN IF YOU'RE NERVOUS. AVOID FEELING FAINT DURING THE CEREMONY OR TIRED DURING PHOTOS.



#### **▼ TIP 6:** GIVE YOUR PHOTOGRAPHER TIME FOR PORTRAITS

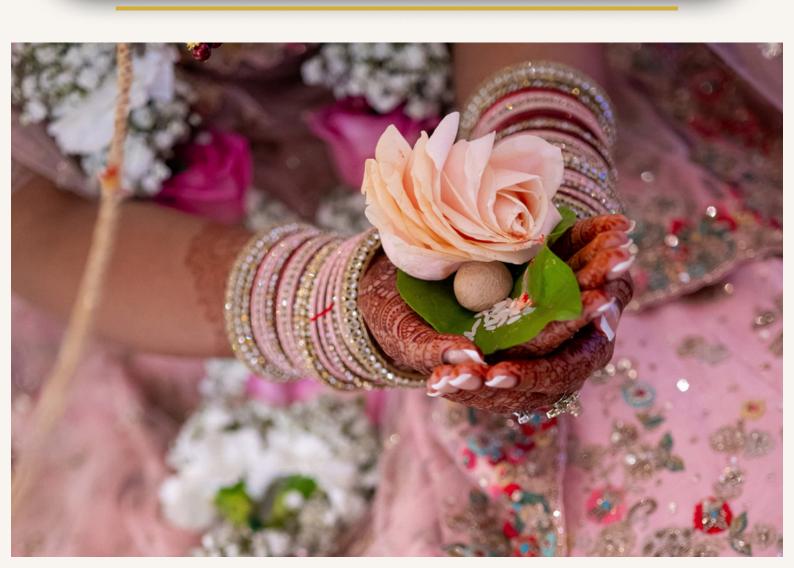
ALLOW 20–30 MINUTES AFTER THE CEREMONY FOR COUPLE PORTRAITS. THIS IS OFTEN THE ONLY QUIET TIME YOU'L HAVE TOGETHER — AND IT'S WHEN SOME OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL IMAGES HAPPEN.

#### ▼ TIP 7: HAVE A BACKUP PLAN FOR BRITISH WEATHER

IF YOU'RE HAVING AN OUTDOOR CEREMONY OR RECEPTION, MAKE SURE THERE'S A PLAN B. CHECK THAT YOUR VENUE HAS COVERED OPTIONS AND BRING UMBRELLAS JUST IN CASE.

#### **▼ TIP 8**: PREPARE AN EMERGENCY KIT

PACK A SMALL BAG WITH SAFETY PINS, TISSUES, PARACETAMOL, MINTS, BLISTER PLASTERS, HAIRPINS, AND A PORTABLE PHONE CHARGER. YOU'LL BE GLAD YOU DID!

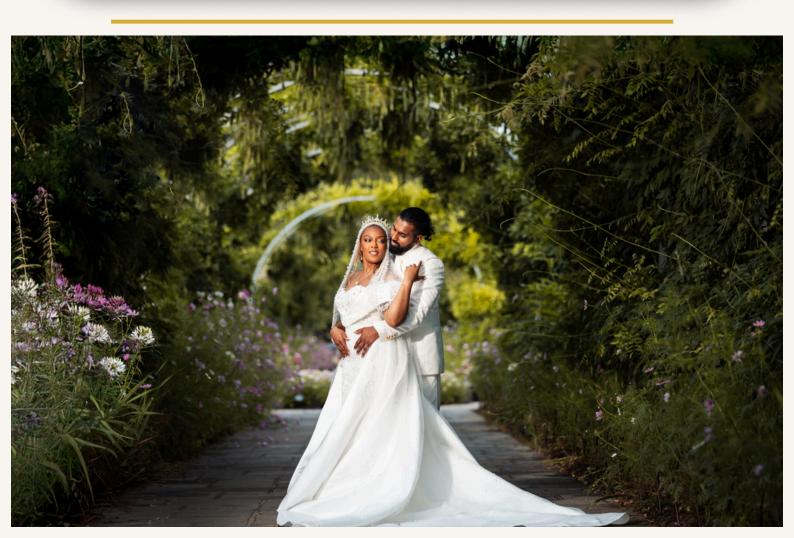


#### **▼ TIP 9**: INCLUDE BUFFER TIME FOR TRAVEL AND PAUSES

EVEN IF LOCATIONS ARE CLOSE BY, ALLOW EXTRA MINUTES FOR TRAFFIC, CONVERSATIONS, OR JUST CATCHING YOUR BREATH. YOUR DAY WILL FEEL MORE RELAXED WITH BUILT-IN BREATHING SPACE.

#### **▼ TIP 10**: REMEMBER — THIS IS YOUR DAY

THINGS MAY NOT GO EXACTLY TO PLAN — AND THAT'S OK. LAUGH THROUGH THE MISHAPS, BE PRESENT, AND ENJOY THE PEOPLE AROUND YOU. THOSE REAL MOMENTS MAKE THE BEST MEMORIES.



## PHOTOGRAPHER'S BONUS TIP

MAKE A LIST OF 5-10 MUST-HAVE FAMILY PHOTOS, AND ASSIGN A FRIEND OR BRIDESMAID TO HELP GATHER PEOPLE. THIS WILL SPEED THINGS UP AND KEEP THE ENERGY HIGH!

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