

Wedding Tips

Photography! is one of the most important parts of your wedding. Besides the rings, the photos will be what friends and relatives will want to look at afterwards. You may also have a video, but this tends to be put in the cupboard and taken out rarely. Professional photos in a quality album always impresses. I would like to, if I may, give some tips on planning your photography for the most important day of your life. Don't get a friend or relative! It might be done with all good intentions, but if you don't get what you want it could cost you a friendship and end up with poor photos. They also get caught up with old friends and relatives and miss those important moments that a professionalise expecting and waiting for.

Seek out a professional! Don't book over the phone. Make sure you see work that has been done by the photographer you speak with. Ask questions, you should both attend. As a professional he or she needs to ask you questions as well. He or she has to know what you are looking for too. Find out if the photographer you're speaking with is doing your wedding.

Book with plenty of notice! Some bookings are up to twelve or eighteen months in advance. So whomever you decide on, be early. You can arrange another appointment closer to your wedding date when all your final arrangements can be completed. You may be disappointed if you leave it a month or two beforehand.

Choose some one you can get on with! As well as being happy with your photographer's work, if they bother you both don't book. The person you choose will be with you for most of the occasion. They must have good people skills. This paramount and can't be stressed enough. They have to make you feel important, comfortable and relaxed. They need to know when your smile is wearing out.

Plan your day well! I like to give clients a checklist. This helps in many ways, it allows the photographer to discuss aspects of the wedding before it takes place, and then I know what they want when and where. In the past it has also brought attention to aspects of the wedding outside photography before the big day.

Reprints! Do we get the Hi Res CD? Such a common question asked. Some photographers do supply, some don't. Don't be put of by the latter. There are some very good reasons behind this. The photographer actually owns images of your wedding; he has sold you his time, expertise and a copy of the images. When you order reprints, we correct colours and send them to a pro lab that is reputable and will get the colours right, tones and finish – they will look the same as originals. Any orders for photos received from friends or relatives can be sent direct to the photographer and takes the pressure of you. Although this sounds great! Make shore the cost of reprints are reasonable. Taking your negatives to a mini lab can be disappointing, and time consuming for you.

I hope the above has helped in making a decision for a photographer a little easier.

Yours Faithfully

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