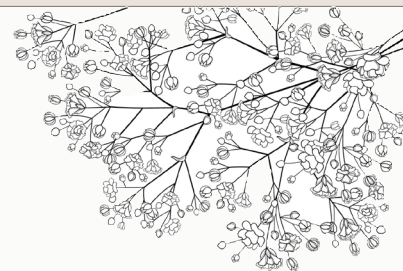




Wedding Preparation

THE BUDGET



Total Budget

Consider allocating 5% of your budget to a "just in case" fund. This will help cover unforeseen costs.

Tips

Although not required (nor expected) by every wedding vendor, small gratuity gifts for a job well done are a gracious way of showing your appreciation.

NOTE: Some contracts include a gratuity built into your price.

OFFICIANT/CLERGY

\$75 - \$100 'donations' are appropriate

CEREMONY SITE STAFF

(soloist, organist, church staff, etc.)

\$20 to \$30 per person

DELIVERY/SET-UP PERSONNEL

(decorators, floral, cake, etc.)

\$10 each if dropping items off, \$20 each if dropping off and setting up

TRANSPORTATION

15% - 20% paid to driver

RECEPTION WAIT STAFF

\$20 to \$40 per person

BARTENDERS

15% - 20% of entire bill for the bar

RECEPTION SITE MANAGER

15% to 20% of entire bill

DJ / BAND

15% to 20% given to the band leader or DJ

PARKING ATTENDANTS

\$1 - \$2 per car if they are not taking tips from guests

Categories	Estimated Cost:	Actual Cost:	Deposit:	Paid:
Bar Service				
Beauty & Health				
Bridal Attire				
Cakes & Desserts				
Caterers				
Ceremony				
Decor (Lighting, Linens, Rentals)				
Entertainment				
Favors & Gifts				
Flowers				
Invitations & Stationery				
Men's Attire				
Officiant				
Photography				
Reception Venue				
Rehearsal Dinner				
Rings				
Transportation				
Travel & Honeymoon				
Videography				
Wedding Planner				
Miscellaneous				
Total				

Saving money makes more cents!

We all wish we had unlimited funds to create our dream weddings, but this budget planner will help you decide how much you're willing to spend on what's most important.