

## Wedding Budget

Congratulations on your engagement! Now it is important to start a budget for your special day. Begin by discussing and agreeing on a budget. Establish who is contributing and how expenses will be shared.

The biggest expense of a wedding is usually the Reception. Total reception costs usually account for approximately 50% of your budget.

The next biggest expenses will be photography, outfits, music, flowers and stationery. These costs combined will account for approximately 30% of your budget.

Use the following budget planner to keep track of what you estimate will be your wedding expenses, as well as what the actual expenses are.

### Ceremony and Reception: (Excluding Music and Decorations)

	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost
Officiant		
Wedding Planner		
Ceremony Site Fee		
Reception Venue Fee		
Food		
Beverages		
Cake		
Favours and/ or Lolly Buffet		
Additional Accessories, e.g. Guest Book, Photo Booth		
Additional Staff Costs		
Other		
Total Cost for Ceremony and Reception		

## *Wedding Budget (continued)*

### *Decorations: (Excluding Flowers)*

	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost
Ceremony Decorations		
Chair Covers and Table Cloths		
Centrepieces		
Other		
Total Cost for Decorations		

### *Photography:*

	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost
Photographer's Fee		
Album and Photographs		
Enlargements		
DVD		
Extras for Parents etc		
Videography		
Total Cost for Photography		

## Wedding Budget (continued)

### Attire:

	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost
Bridal Gown		
Veil / Headpiece		
Shoes		
Jewellery		
Bridal Accessories e.g. Garter, Lingerie		
Groom's Suit		
Groom's Shoes		
Groom's Accessories		
Wedding Rings		
Bridesmaids' and Flower girls' dresses		
Bridesmaids' and Flower girls' accessories		
Best Man's, Groomsmen's and Page Boy's Outfits		
Best Man's, Groomsmen's and Page Boy's Accessories		
Other		
Total Cost for Attire		

## *Wedding Budget (continued)*

### Music:

	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost
Musicians for Ceremony		
Band/ DJ for Reception		
Other		
Total Cost for Music		

### Flowers:

	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost
Bouquets		
Corsages and Buttonholes		
Ceremony Flowers		
Reception Flowers e.g. Centrepieces		
Other		
Total Cost for Flowers		

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### Stationery:

	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost
Announcements and Save the Date Cards		
Invitations including Posting		
Thank You Cards		
Programs		
Place cards		
Calligraphy		
Other		
Total Cost for Stationery		

### Transport:

	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost
Transport to Ceremony, e.g. Limousines		
Transport to Reception Venue		
Leaving Transport e.g. Taxi		
Other		
Total Cost for Transport		

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### Gifts:

	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost
Bride and Groom Gifts		
Attendants		
Parents		
Other Participants		
Other		
Total Cost for Gifts		

### Extras:

	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost
Hen's Night and Bachelor Party		
Rehearsals		
Hotel rooms		
Other		
Total Cost for Extras		