

# BUDGET WORKSHEET

The following information and worksheets are designed to help you anticipate the expenses associated with planning your wedding. To establish a budget first is very important to avoid disappointments and disagreements. One thing everyone agrees on is that the reception is the single largest expense - and can be controlled by the number of guests invited. You will find for many categories a percentage of the overall budget typically spent on those services. Be mindful that these are averages only, ranging from the simplest to the most elegant weddings. You will also find a dollar range spent by brides for many items. Remember these are averages designed only to help you in the initial stages of your planning. We have noted on the left who traditionally pays these expenses – Bride (B), Groom (G), Bride's Family (BF), Groom's Family (GF), Individual (I) or Couple (C).

			<u>Avg. Cost</u>	<u>Your Cost</u>
BF	<u>BRIDE'S WEDDING ATTIRE</u>	9%	\$400 - \$2,000	_____
	Bridal Gown			_____
	Headpiece / Veil			_____
	Alterations			_____
	Shoes			_____
	Undergarments			_____
	Jewelry			_____
	Accessories			_____
	Trousseau			_____
	Hair & Makeup			_____
	<u>OTHER ATTIRE</u>			_____
BF	Mother of the Bride's Attire			_____
GF	Mother of the Groom's Attire			_____
I	Bride's Attendant's Apparel			_____
I	Groom's Attendant's Apparel			_____
	<u>FORMAL WEAR</u>	1%		_____
G	Groom's Tuxedo / Shoes /Accessories		\$75 - \$150	_____
BF	Father of the Bride's Attire		\$75 - \$150	_____
GF	Father of the Groom's Attire		\$75 - \$150	_____
	<u>CEREMONY</u>	5%	\$700 - \$1000	_____
BF	Church / Ceremony Site			_____
G	Officiant			_____
BF	Organist			_____
BF	Musicians / Soloist			_____
G	Marriage License			_____
BF	Aisle Runner			_____
BF	Candles			_____
BF	Tent / Huppah			_____

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BF	<u>RECEPTION (150)</u>	40%	\$5,000 - \$10,000	_____
	Site Rental			_____
	Caterer / Food			_____
	Wedding Cake & Groom's Cake		\$300-\$800	_____
	Beverages			_____
	Favors			_____
	Decorations (other than flowers)			_____
	Rental Supplies (Linens, China, Tables, Chairs)			_____
	Additional Services (Servers, Bartenders, Valet Parking)			_____
	Taxes and Gratuities			_____
B	<u>BRIDESMAIDS LUNCHEON</u>			_____
BF	<u>PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY</u>	12%	\$1,000 - \$3,000	_____
	Engagement Photo			_____
	Formal Portrait			_____
	Wedding Album & Photos			_____
	Parent's Albums			_____
	Extra Prints			_____
	Photographer's Fee			_____
	Other			_____
BF	<u>VIDEOGRAPHY</u>			_____
	Ceremony			_____
	Reception			_____
	Extra Copies of Video			_____
	Other			_____
BF	<u>STATIONERY</u>	4%	\$250 - \$800	_____
	Invitations			_____
	Announcements			_____
	Response Cards			_____
	Thank-you Notes			_____
	Ceremony Programs			_____
	Calligraphy / Addressing			_____
	Postage			_____
	Printed Napkins			_____
	Guest Book & Pen			_____
	Other			_____

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	<u>FLOWERS</u>	9%	\$500 - \$1500	_____
	Ceremony			_____
BF	Altar / Huppah			_____
BF	Pew Markers			_____
G	Bride's Bouquet			_____
BF	Bride's Bouquet Preservation			_____
BF	Attendant's Bouquets			_____
G	Mothers' & Grandmothers' Corsages			_____
G	Boutonnieres (Groom, Groomsmen, Fathers)			_____
	Reception			_____
BF	Cake Table			_____
BF	Buffet Table			_____
BF	Head Table(s)			_____
BF	Centerpieces for other Tables			_____
BF	Decorating			_____
BF	Helpers / Special Guests			_____
G	Going Away Corsage			_____
	Other			_____
	<u>RINGS</u>			_____
G	Engagement Ring		\$500 - \$1,500	_____
G	Bride's Wedding Band		\$300 - \$600	_____
B	Groom's Wedding Band		\$450 - \$600	_____
BF	<u>MUSIC / ENTERTAINMENT</u>	4%	\$600 - \$1,250	_____
	Ceremony			_____
	Reception			_____
BF	<u>TRANSPORTATION</u>	1%	\$175 - \$500	_____
	Limousine / Carriage			_____
	Other			_____
GF	<u>REHEARSAL DINNER</u>	25 people	\$500 - \$750	_____
	Site Rental			_____
	Food /Caterer			_____
	Other			_____
	<u>GIFT BUDGET</u>		\$500	_____
G	For Bride			_____
B	For Groom			_____
B	For Bride's Attendants			_____
G	For Groom's Attendants			_____
C	For Parents			_____
	Other			_____
G	<u>HONEYMOON</u>	12%	\$1400	_____
	Transportation			_____
	Accommodations			_____
	Daily Budget			_____
BF	<u>WEDDING CONSULTANT</u>			_____

