



PLAN YOUR WEDDING SOUNDTRACK



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The Guide to the Guide

Planning your wedding music is a fun opportunity to relax with your fiancé and listen to your favorite tunes!

Complete every question in this guide together with as much detail as you can, then pass it to your DJ so they have your wishlist ready to go!



Music sets the mood

Every couple has meaningful music - maybe a favorite song was playing when you first met or during a momentous occasion in your romance. This guide will help you prepare an incredible soundtrack for your wedding.

Remember, this day is about you and your relationship! Love a certain band or genre? Play them all night long! With every Wedgewood Weddings package, you get a top-rated DJ and MC included! They come with all the equipment you need plus the know-how to get your guests out of their seats and onto the dance floor.

From announcements to song requests and everything inbetween, this guide will get you thinking about all the details, so you can check music planning off your wedding to-do list!

Every couple's wedding day is different. With Wedgewood Weddings' DJs and entertainment, you can pick and choose any of the traditional elements, or throw in your own personal touches!

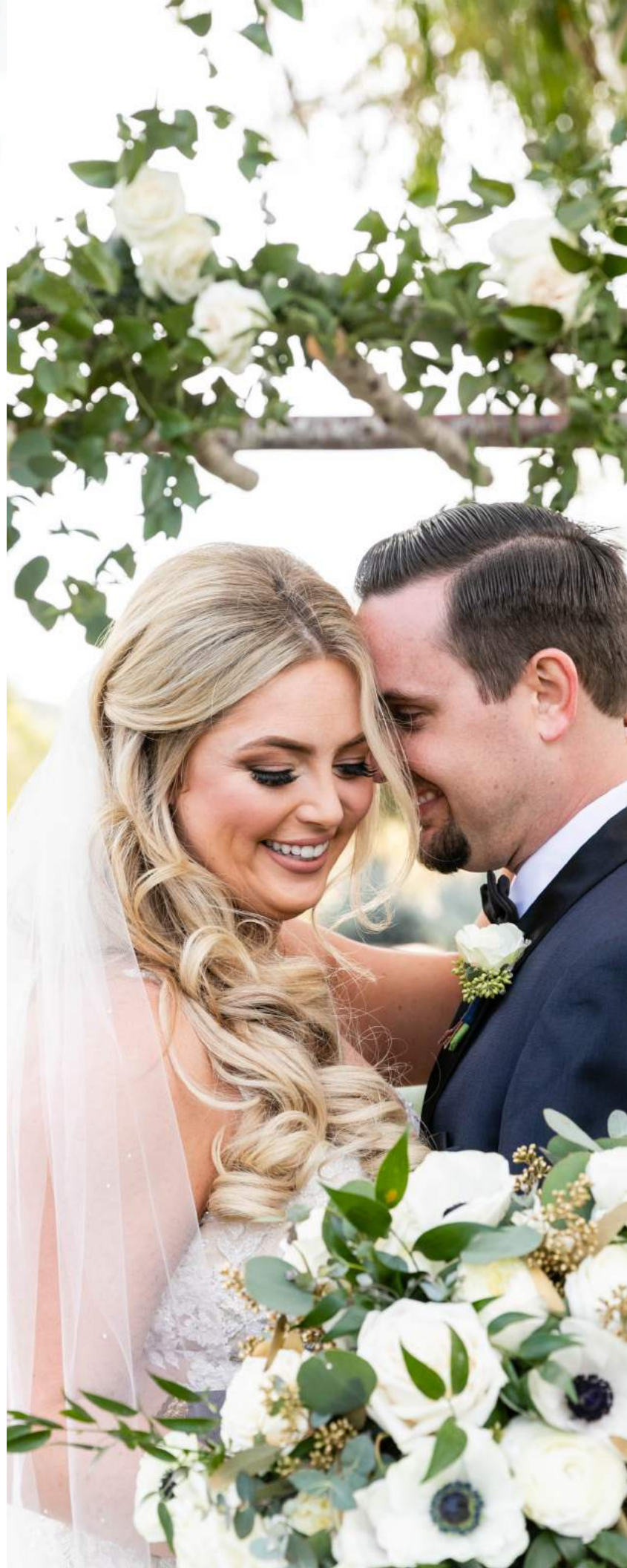
Cheers & Happy Planning!

The right tools for the job

Wedgewood Weddings' partner DJs provide top of the line PA equipment and can work the venue acoustics to give your event the atmosphere you desire.

Our DJs provide speakers and microphones as standard for each event area. That's ceremony site, cocktail patios, and reception rooms! If you need additional equipment, let your wedding expert know and they can make sure you'll have everything you need.

Let's get to rocking!





The Basics



About You

Your name

Your fiancé's name

When are you getting married?

Where are you getting married?

How many guests are you expecting?

What's the average age of your guests?



Music Preferences

What genres of music do you want to hear?

Examples: classical, blues, jazz, R&B, funk, latin, rock, electronic, hip hop, top 40, country, metal . . .



Make it all about you two!

Choosing the traditional options is completely up to you. We've included them here to start your thinking.

What genres of music do you want to avoid?

Do you have a favorite musical era?

What songs do you definitely want to hear?

Who are you and your partner's favorite artists and bands?

What songs do you want to avoid?

This can be more than just songs you're not a fan of - think of songs that might bring up difficult emotions for you or your guests. Keep your day joyful and all about you!



Your DJ won't play songs from your 'no play' list - even if requested.



Ceremony



Before The Ceremony

What time will your ceremony start?

How long do you anticipate your ceremony taking?

Who will be your officiant?

Will you need a microphone for the officiant?

Will you need a microphone for anyone doing a reading?

Will you have any performances during your ceremony? If yes, will you need PA equipment for their performances?

Example: musical soloist, string quartet, song from friend or family member, etc.

What time do you want the pre-ceremony music to start?

Preferred pre-ceremony music?

Traditional choices are classical, jazz, or soft contemporary

Example: 'You & Me' by Dave Matthews Band, 'Your Song' by Elton John

Will there be special music for the seating of the mothers or after meaningful guests?

Traditional choice is classical, the modern choice is a meaningful acoustic piece

Example: 'All You Need is Love' by The Beatles

Do you want specific music for the entrance of the groom, best man, and officiant?

Example: 'Paradise' by Coldplay, 'Hallelujah' by Leonard Cohen

The 'I Do's'

How many bridesmaids will you have?

How many groomsmen will you have?

Will you have a flower girl?

Will you have a ring-bearer?

What will be the cue to start the processional music?

What will be the cue to start the recessional music?

What's the processional music for the wedding party?

Traditional choices are Canon in D by Pachelbel, Trumpet Voluntary by Clark or 'Here Comes the Sun' by The Beatles

What music do you want as the bride walks down the aisle?

Popular choices are Canon in D by Pachelbel, Here Comes the Bride by Wagner or 'Never Felt This Way' by Alicia Keys

Will you have music during the ceremony?

Common choice is Arioso by Bach

What music do you want for the recessional?

The famous choice is Wedding March by Mendelssohn, or be non-traditional with 'Crazy Love' by Van Morrison



Once guests are seated, the processional is the entrance of your bridal party that culminates with the entrance of the bride.



After the kiss, the recessional will start, and you and your spouse will lead the wedding party back up the aisle.



Cocktail Hour & Dinner

Dinner & Drinks

What time will your cocktail hour start?

What time will your dinner start?

Would you like dinner announced?

Do you have a specific way you would like to be introduced?

Example: Alex & Sam Smith



Traditionally, the new couple is introduced as Mr. & Mrs. [Groom's First Name, Last Name], but more and more people choose to use both spouses first and last name.

Will there be a welcome speech?

Who will be doing the welcome speech?

Do you have an anticipated amount of time you want the welcome speech to take?



Let your DJ know if you want them to cut short a long-winded speech. They can suggest a subtle hand signal for either of you to use – just in case!

Will there be a blessing?

Who would you like to do the blessing?

What type of music do you want during your cocktail hour?

Suggestions: classical, jazz, acoustic, soft rock

What type of music do you want during dinner?

What song would you like to introduce the wedding party?

Suggestions: 'Happy' by Pharrell Williams

What song would you like for your grand entrance?

Suggestions: 'Raise Your Glass' by Pink; 'Can't Stop the Feeling' by Justin Timberlake; 'Shut Up and Dance' by Walk the Moon; 'I Feel Good' by James Brown



Grand entrance music needs to start loud and bold to seize the attention of your guests.

Toasts & Speeches

Would you like MC services?

What time do you want announcements to start?

What background music would you like during announcements?

Best Man Toast: How would you like them to be introduced?

Maid of Honor Toast: How would you like them to be introduced?

Bridal Party: How would you like them to be introduced?

Parents: How would you like them to be introduced?

Any other special people you would like introduced?



Your DJ is adept at keeping your event flowing & making announcements in a way that grabs your guest's attention. You could also have a guest make the announcements. Typically it's the best man, but it can be anyone you'd like.



You can be as formal or casual as you like with announcements. If you go for casual, consider adding little-known facts that will entertain your guests.





Reception



Celebration Events

Standard reception events are listed in traditional order below.
You can do some, all, or none of these in any order that you please!

 'Open dancing' is when any and all guests are invited to boogie on the dance floor

Event	Order	Time
First Dance		
Father-Daughter Dance		
Mother-Son Dance		
Bridal Party Dance		
Bouquet Toss		
Garter Toss		
Cake Cutting		
Other, please list:		

Will you have any guest performers or speakers that require additional microphones, lighting, or other PA equipment?

What time do you want open dancing to start?

How much interaction do you want from your DJ?

Do you want your DJ to take requests?

Do you have any guidelines for requests?

Example: no explicit lyrics.

Will you be doing a honeymoon dance?

Not doing a honeymoon dance? Feel free to use this space to list for any other special celebration you'd like during your reception. like a money dance or the shoe game.



The honeymoon dance is similar to the money dance, but with the intention that the proceeds will go to your fabulous trip!

Will you be doing a grand send off?

Swirling & Twirling

What song do you want for your first dance?

What is your Father/Daughter dance song choice?

What is your Mother/Son dance song choice?

What is your bridal party dance song choice?

What is the bouquet toss song choice?

What is the garter toss song choice?

What is the cake cutting song choice?

What song would you like for your honeymoon dance?

What is your send-off song?



If any of these don't apply let your DJ know. Your special event is as unique as you!



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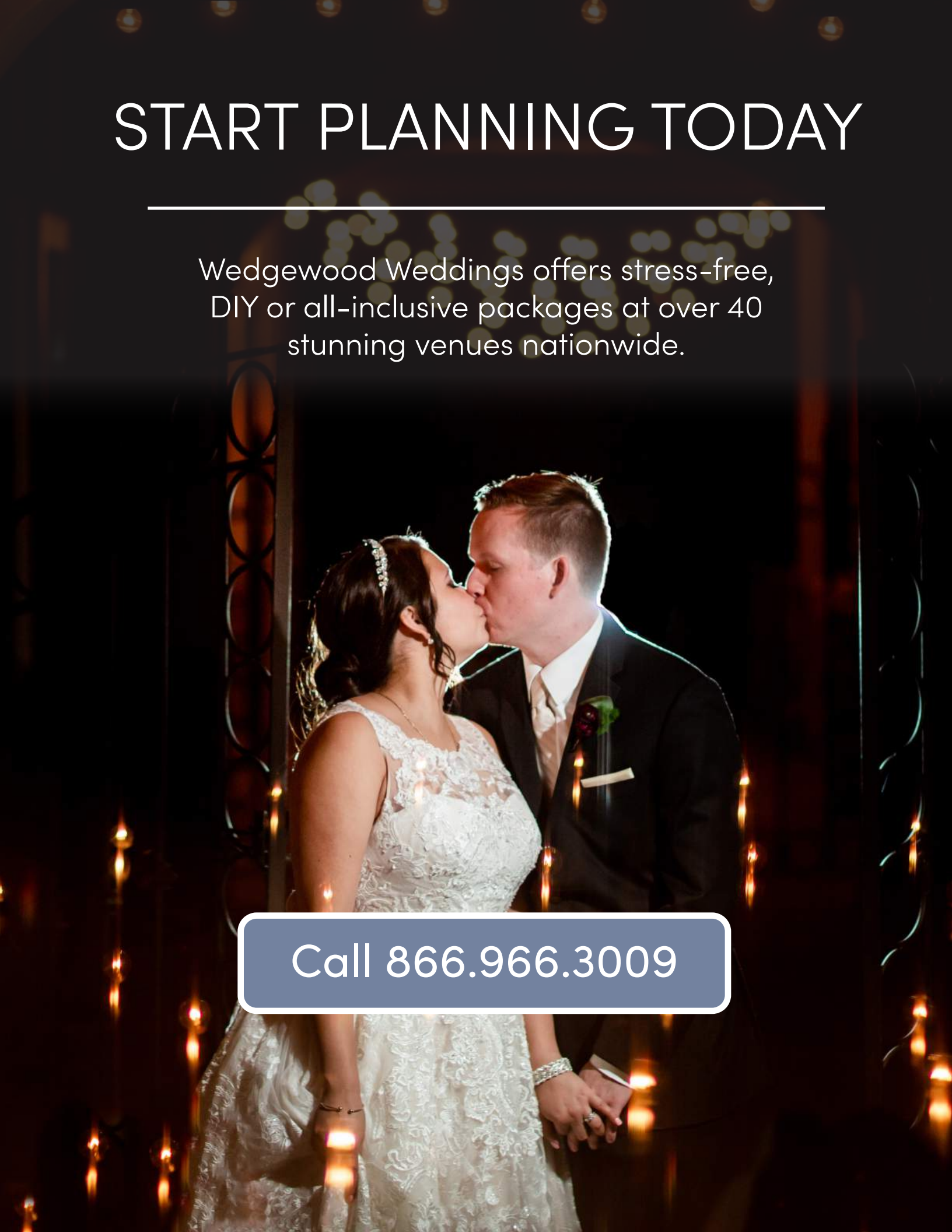
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A romantic scene featuring a bride and groom in formal wedding attire. The bride is wearing a white lace dress and a tiara, while the groom is in a dark suit with a boutonniere. They are standing close together, kissing. The background is dark with warm, glowing lights and candles, creating a cozy and intimate atmosphere.

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