





You've booked the venue, now what? Here are some very first steps to get you started...

- 1. Think about your **GUEST LIST** and decide how big a wedding you want to have every vendor will ask you the size of your wedding.
- 2. Research **VENDORS** on our Preferred List by visiting their Websites & Instagram Pages.
- 3. Based on who fits your vision, pick your top 3 **VENDORS** in each category focusing first on a **PLANNER & CATERER** (click on the worksheet below). These vendors must be chosen from our list.
- 4. Send an inquiry to all of your top vendors asking about availability, pricing, etc.
- 5. Interview your favorite 2-3 planners and full-service caterers.
- 6. Decide what you can afford and hire a caterer and planner. Some caterers offer planning services, too. You will need to decide whether you prefer full-service, 1-3 month or day-of planner to book a planner. We highly recommend hiring at least a 3-month planner if that works within your budget.
- 7. Decide on **LODGING** for family & wedding parties. Check out Grelen's Boxwood Villa & Spotswood Lodge for family & wedding party lodging. These homes are also good for getting ready, photos, rehearsal dinners and brunches.
- 8. Decide on **LODGING** for guests: Orange County, Charlottesville or Culpeper? Call hotels for room blocks.
- 9. Hire the rest of your **VENDORS** including but not limited to florist, photographer, band or DJ, transportation, etc. (planners can help with this).
- 10. Research venues for your **REHEARSAL DINNER**. Grelen's newest venue, The Depot, is a great option. :) Vendors will need to be hired for this event, too. Repeat the above steps!

WEDDING

Top 3 Planners
Top 3 Caterers
Top 3 Floral Designers
Top 3 Photographers

Top 3 Cake Designers Top 3 Bands/DJS Top 3 Videographers Top 3 Hair Stylists

Top 3 Make-up Artists		
Rentals? Different Chairs? Extra Furniture/Bars? Linens?		
Top 2 Poptal Companies		
Top 3 Rental Companies		
Officiant Options?		

REHEARSAL DINNER Number of Guests?____

Top 3 Rehearsal Dinner Venues
Caterer? (if applicable)
Florals?
Photographer/Videographer?

Rentals?		
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