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The best advice I can give you is to test your ideas in the actual location under realistic conditions to eliminate unpleasant surprises. Work with an experienced coach or wedding consultant if you can, and keep in mind the following things:

1. THE WIND

Wind can affect many things: the temperature, making it hotter or colder; the bridesmaids' dresses; everyone's hair; and whether the ceremony can be heard. Test beforehand. It can be as simple as moving the tables around a corner, or across the park to a more sheltered area.

Plan decorations and tablecloths you can anchor attractively; choose weighted fabrics for the attendants; warn them about the hair thing; and consider the need for a sound system and mike clips. If you're renting a tent, make sure it's wind-worthy.

2. THE COMFORT OF YOUR GUESTS.

Okay, if you're getting married in San Diego, you can count on perfect conditions, but failing that, your event may be hotter, wetter, or colder than many guests would prefer.

If you're having a lot of out-of-towners, particularly, include information about the weather possibilities on an insert with the invitation along with the accommodation recommendations. (I went to an outdoor wedding in Dallas in July; 111 degrees that day, and boy were the people from Colorado and La Jolla dressed wrong!)

If it's hot, provide iced bottles of water when they arrive, and hand fans, and if you have a tent, rent fans. If it's chilly, have a tent, warmers, a hot beverage when they arrive, and lap blankets.

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3. YOU MUST HAVE A PLAN B IN CASE IT POURS DOWN RAIN.

4. HOW TOUGH ARE YOU?

Come on now, if you're at all the fussy type, or prone to nerves, this simply isn't for you. You'll have to manage your hair outside, for heaven's sake.

5. THE CALL OF THE WILD.

Inclement weather – or even just ordinary ocean waves and bird calls - can wreak havoc with still photographs and videos alike. I recall an amateur wedding video where most of the sound was the wind whistling around. There may also be a fountain or waterfall, dogs barking, kids screaming, birds chirping.

6. DECORATIONS

I've seen even cloth tablecloths blow in the wind, turning over glasses, candles and centerpieces. Wind, bird poop, the shades of night falling ... Be extremely realistic when planning your decorations. Actually test them outdoors.

7. NATURE RED IN TOOTH AND CLAW.

It's from a poem, okay? but that's where you're going to be. Don't fantasize about how "romantic" the place is; go take a look. Think realistically about beer bottles and cans on the beach; getting the lawn mowed and weeded; planting seasonal flowers; bugs, flies, snakes and spiders; the sounds of barking dogs and (uninvited) children; or, for that matter these days, drugs dealers in the park.

Have a visit with your eyes open. Then do what you need to do, or resolve it's "good enough" and don't worry. The world of nature isn't going to shut down just because it's your wedding.

8. SAFETY ... ALL AGES

You're in love. You're planning your big day. However, you must limit the things you have to worry about if you're going to enjoy yourself. A celebration in a park by a lake would be nice, or by the pool at your aunt's mansion, or even at the beach, but in actuality, if there are going to be children there, and drinking, there's also going to be the chance for a real tragedy.

Which brings up – all ages will likely be there, and must be considered. Can you really picture your great-grandmother standing in the surf with her hair blowing, stepping over man-o-wars while picking sand out of her teeth ... for long? Can the kiddos go that long without a restroom? Many people can't stand up for a long time; others need protection from extreme heat and cold.

9. THE FOOD.

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Can you say "food poisoning?" Mayonnaise (and food items with that as an ingredient) can't sit out in the hot sun for more than an hour or so. Avoid perishable dishes. Wind can make it hard to get the grill lit. Ice cream won't do when it's 90 degrees outside, nor will hot hors d'oeuvres last long when it's 50 degrees outside.

10. THE SUN, THE MOON AND THE STARS.

Yes, he promised you that ... and you'll be promising it to your guests, one way or another. Keep in mind the sun moves through the sky, and plan your event (and the photographs) accordingly. One of the most beautiful weddings I went to was held on the deck of a hillside lodge, with the ceremony ending just as the sun was setting. Now THAT was an outdoor wedding!

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Wedding Planning Are Your Steps To Heaven

By Paul Thomas

Wedding planning, do you actually need it? Before you stand in front of the minister, there are thousands of things to get done. There are to be made decisions concerning wedding favors, wedding rings, wedding invitations and wedding accessories. And what about your honeymoon? Where should you travel to? Before anything else you must start out with getting your wedding invitations send I good time before the wedding takes place. You can find information about wedding invitations online, both concerning layout and wording.

You got to think planning. Try a search on the internet for wedding planning. You can find information in abundance. Anything you need is to find: wedding flowers, wedding music, wedding photographers, etc.

You need to make a very detailed wedding plan because if the right things are not done on the right moment you will get sidetracked and loose control. Get the wedding process down on paper step by step and stay on top of the situation. With a plan in your hand you can relax and even enjoy the preparation for your grand wedding day.

If you own a bridal notebook you can keep track of your process from start to finish. Begin your wedding planning several months before the actual wedding to make sure you got time to correct any mistakes that can happen. The first important step is to get those wedding invitations send. Always think ahead. For example: if you have ordered your wedding invitations at some shop, it can take longer to receive them than you think.

If you are forced to make wedding planning on a budget, and need to save money on your shopping. You might consider making your own wedding invitations, maybe even make the wedding flowers

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yourself, and cut back on expectation to where your wedding party is held. The great thing about doing those things yourself is that your wedding will get a more personal touch, which you can not buy. Great idea if you want a unique and special wedding.

Wedding planning is the most important step to stay on track from start to finish. Do not be nonchalant about the wedding planning issue. Make sure your special day will be perfect.

Thank you for your time.

Find much more wedding information and mostly about wedding planning at

. Check it out!



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