

Your Wedding Countdown by Shangri-La

6-12 months before

- Both parties' parents to meet and discuss on wedding date and details of the wedding
- Gather wedding information for planning and budgeting
- Prepare guest invitation list and forecast attendance
- Select and book venue for wedding ceremony and banquet
- Initial stage of planning on wedding decoration and theme
- Confirm bridal photography studio, bridal gown and car rental services
- Begin regular facial and hair treatments
- Pre-Marital health examination

4 months before

- Understand the local culture and custom in weddings
- Purchase wedding rings and jewelries
- Plan in advance for finance management and family planning
- Purchase furniture and home appliances for new home
- Wedding photography
- Confirm best man and bride's maid
- Plan for honeymoon
- Fix appointment with hair stylist to choose the hair styles for wedding day
- Facial treatment for the bride
 - 【Treat yourself at The Spa of Shangri-la Hotel, Qingdao. Offer the personalization features by our professional therapist, with an extra 10% off for all "bride-to-be": Rock Crystal Energizing Facial treatment/ Relaxing Aroma Massage/Body treatment】
- Fitness treatment
 - 【For invigoration, join our Shangri-La Gymnasium, with our professional fitness instructor weekly customized training plan, you will show your perfect feature on your big day】

2 months before

- Confirm bridal hair style and make-up
- Order wedding invitation cards
- Complete wedding photography
- Confirm bridal gown and suits, choose gowns for mothers and suits for fathers
- Plan wedding coordinator's duties and responsibilities on the wedding day
- Select helpers at reception. (Helpers need to know both parties' guests)
- Confirm a Master-of-Ceremony
- Detailed planning of wedding programme

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6 weeks before

- Select and invite the witnesses for wedding signing ceremony
- Reserve bridal car and parking space
- Apply for marriage leave
- Bridal gowns and suits trial
- Confirm honeymoon destination and itinerary

4 weeks before

- Confirm wedding details
- Send out invitation cards
- Confirm helpers name list and duty roster
- Purchase wedding goodies and beverages for wedding reception
- Ensure all daily necessities for new home are in order
- Purchase honeymoon necessity
- Choose menu for food tasting

【To ensure the quality of our wedding banquet menus, our Chef will adjust the menu based on feedback receiving from the couple and family members.】

- Groom to make appointment for facial treatment

【Please consider the special packages for new couple at Chi, The Spa of Shangri-La Hotel, Qingdao: Men's Spa Experience】

2 weeks before

- Confirm wedding details, hairstylist, makeup artist and photographer
- One more appointment for facial treatment
- Visit the hair salon

1 week before

- Confirm guest list
- Confirm final wedding details
- Final confirmation of set-up time, guest list, wedding procedure and etc
- Confirm the schedule on wedding rundown with all helpers
- Go for manicure, pedicure & beauty treatment

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1 day before

- Confirm appointment with makeup artist & hairstylist
- Prepare cash for dowry & Hong Bao
- Confirm all the accessories, silk stockings, shoes and etc
- Send all beverages and goodies to hotel for wedding reception
- Prepare ID card if checking in to the hotel
- Wedding planning company to do set up
- Wedding rehearsal
- Ensure sufficient rest and avoid drinking too much water before bed
- Go for a massage

【The Spa from Shangri-La Hotel, Qingdao. The professional spa therapists will choose the Detoxifying Spa Experience for you; their skillful massage technique will make you feel extremely relax and comfortable.】

Day of the Wedding

- Have a hearty breakfast
- Invite good friends to bride's home to pick up the bride
- Dress up
- Ensure someone assist to look after the valuables
- Hotel to prepare snacks in bridal room for couple
- Maintain the high spirit and enjoy the once in a lifetime experience

Kind Reminders from Wedding Specialist:

- ❖ Bridal couple to pay attention to their health and diet:
 - ✓ Avoid spicy food and strong taste food
 - ✓ Light and nutritious food are highly recommended
 - ✓ Try not to have strenuous exercise, keep a relaxed mind which will relieve all stress and pressure
- ❖ Recommend the bride to wear a medium height shoes instead of an extreme high heels as the bride will be standing for all day long. (Suggest white, silver, gold or light color for easy matching)
- ❖ Suggest the groom to have two suits, formal attire and regular suit. (Or have one traditional costume based on nationality)
- ❖ Standby empty Hong Bao at reception table for guests
- ❖ Massage your eyes before going to bed to avoid the dark circle
- ❖ Drinking some Jasmine tea will help to relax